Below is an English translation of the "國立臺灣大學希望出航交換學生獎學金 113 學年度第 1 學期申請公告" which is only available in Chinese. In case of any discrepancies or inconsistencies between the English translation and the Chinese texts, the Chinese text shall prevail.

## Guideline for Semester 1, 2024/2025AY NTU Voyage of Aspirations Scholarship for Exchange Students<sup>1</sup>

1. Eligibility: Students currently enrolled at National Taiwan University (hereinafter the University) (excluding in-service education program students and dual degree program students) have been successfully admitted to the university-level exchange student program. (Students admitted to the exchange student program for the second time within the same degree level are not qualified to apply for this scholarship.)

### 2. Source of funding:

- (1) The Fund of Voyage of Aspirations Scholarship.
- (2) Subsidies from the Ministry of Education (The Higher Education SPROUT. Project, MOE Outgoing Exchange Student Scholarship).
- (3) Self-Generated Endowment Fund.
- (4) Other government subsidies.

### 3. Types of Scholarships:

- (1) Economically disadvantaged students:
  - I. Recipients of this scholarship who are citizens of the Republic of China (Taiwan) and hold government-issued certificates verifying their low-income household, middle-to-low-income household, or family in hardship are eligible.
  - II. Recipients of this scholarship must be citizens of the Republic of China (Taiwan), and their total household income (including the applicant, their parents, spouse, children, unmarried siblings, married siblings living together, and grandparents living in the same household or sharing the same household registration) must simultaneously meet the following criteria:
    - a) The total annual household income must not exceed NTD 800,000.
    - b) The total annual interest income of the household must not exceed NTD 10,000.
    - c) The total annual business profit income of the household must not exceed NTD 50,000.
  - III. Recipients who are not citizens of the Republic of China (Taiwan) but hold proof of low-income status, poverty certification, or tax exemption certification issued by the government authorities in their respective countries for the year 2023 are eligible for this scholarship.

### (2) Regular students

I. Students with excellent Internal Screening Scores

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The English version is a translation of the official Chinese version. In case of any discrepancy or inconsistency between the English and Chinese versions, the Chinese version shall prevail.

- II. Students admitted to a strategic partner's exchange program: Please refer to the attached list for the strategic partner universities.
- 4. Number of Recipients: Up to 100 recipients each academic year. For students admitted for exchange to a strategic partner university, only one student will be awarded for each strategic partner university.
- 5. Scholarship Amount: Please refer to the attached table for the maximum scholarship amount by country/region. If a partner university's country/region is not on the list, the amount shall be separately stipulated by the Office of International Affairs (hereinafter the OIA).
- 6. Application Method: Please click the button to apply for the scholarship in the Internal Screening System during the registration period. For "Economically disadvantaged" applicants, please also fill in the <u>online application form</u> and upload the relevant supporting documents by November 16, 2023.
- 7. Review Method: Applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Screening Committee.
- 8. Awarding list: The results will be announced along with the First Round Allocation result of the Exchange Student Internal Screening Process on December 14, 2023.
- 9. Confirmation: Please hand in the signed administrative contracts in triplicate to the OIA contact person, Mr. Jeffrey Huang, by 4 p.m. January 5, 2024. Once failing to submit the required documents on time, the recipient's eligibility for the scholarship will be canceled immediately.
- 10. For "Regular" applicants, if the recipients give up the allocated universities for any reason (including proceeding with Second Round Allocation) after the announcement of the First Round Allocation result, the recipient's eligibility for the scholarship will be canceled immediately. "Economically disadvantaged" applicants are not subject to this restriction.
- 11. Applicants for this scholarship are allowed to simultaneously apply for scholarships from the University and other institutions, including partner universities in exchange programs. However, if an applicant is awarded multiple scholarships concurrently, the Voyage of Aspirations Scholarship for Exchange Students will not be granted. In cases where the value of this scholarship is higher than that of other scholarships, recipients may provide relevant documentation to OIA for consideration. Upon approval by the Vice President for International Affairs, the difference will be disbursed as part of the Voyage of Aspirations Scholarship for Exchange Students.

### 12. Student Obligation:

- (1) The recipient and their guarantors shall sign administrative scholarship contracts with the University to confirm scholarship offer acceptance and comply with the contract clauses. Failure to follow scholarship contract clauses will result in the cancellation of the scholarship offer.
- (2) The recipient shall provide their personal bank account information for the use of remittance. If the donations require transfer to a specific bank, the recipient shall provide bank account information for the specified bank.
- (3) During the recipient's stay overseas, the recipient shall be actively involved in the partner university's activities to promote the University and its student exchange programs. Upon

- completing the exchange program, the recipient shall attend the exchange student fair held by the OIA to share their experiences overseas.
- (4) The recipient must submit an exchange program report, transcripts, and other relevant documents for reimbursement. If the recipient fails to submit the required documents on time, the recipient shall repay the total amount of the scholarship within 3 months after the end of the exchange program.
- (5) If the recipient applies for suspension, withdraws from school, fails to return to Taiwan to complete their degree at NTU, or returns to Taiwan before the designated exchange program end date without prior approval from OIA, the recipient shall repay the total amount of the scholarship within 2 months from the end of the exchange program.
- (6) If the recipient fails to acquire the admission letter/certificate of enrollment or does not enroll within the designated time, the recipient's scholarship offer will be canceled.
- 13. The OIA reserves the right to modify scholarship procedures and regulations in response to force majeure events, such as natural disasters, wars, strikes, riots, plagues, or any other circumstances beyond the University's control.
- 14. Relevant regulations and OIA announcements shall govern matters not specified in this Guideline.
- 15. For questions related to the scholarship, please contact Mr. Jeffrey Huang at the Office of International Affairs (Tel: 02-33662007 #228, Email: jeffreyhunag@ntu.edu.tw).

# List of the strategic partner universities for 2024/2025AY NTU Voyage of Aspirations Scholarship for Exchange Students

Country/Region	Strategic Partner University			
India	Bennett University			
Greece	National and Kapodistrian University of Athens			
Chile	Pontifical Catholic University of Chile			
Brazil	Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro - PUC-Rio			
	State University of Campinas			
	University of São Paulo			
France	Agro ParisTech			
	Mines ParisTech			
	EPF - Graduate School of Engineering			
Spain	University of Santiago de Compostela			
Macau	University of Macau			
Thailand	Asian Institute of Technology			
	Thammasat University			
Russia	Lomonosov Moscow State University			
	Saint Petersburg State University			
Malaysia	University Sains Malaysia (USM)			
	University of Technology Malaysia (UTM)			
	University Tunku Abdul Rahman			

## Scholarship Amount for NTU Voyage of Aspirations Scholarship for Exchange Students

	Scholarship Amount (in TWD)				
	Economically disadvantaged		Regular students		
Host Country/Region	One Semester	One Academic Year	One Semester	One Academic Year	
Americas: The United States,	140,000	240,000	75,000	150,000	
Canada, Chile, Mexico					
Europe: Norway, Iceland,					
Sweden, Finland, Denmark,					
France, Germany, the United					
Kingdom, the Netherlands,					
Switzerland, Belgium,					
Luxembourg, Austria, Italy,					
Spain, Portugal, Hungary,					
Slovenia, Greece					
Asia: Japan, South Korea,					
Hong Kong, Macau, Israel,					
Singapore					
Oceania: Australia, New					
Zealand					
Americas: Brazil, Colombia	70,000	120,000	60,000	120,000	
Europe: Czech Republic,					
Poland, Lithuania, Latvia					
Asia: Mongolia, Thailand,					
Russia, Türkiye, Malaysia,					
India, Mainland China					
Africa: South Africa					

### **Distribution Way:**

- One-semester exchange: The scholarship amount will be offered in October 2024.
- One Academic Year: 60% and 40% of the scholarship amount will be offered separately in October 2024 and March 2025.

### Supporting documents for NTU Voyage of Aspirations Scholarship for Exchange Students

- 1. Economically disadvantaged students (R.O.C. students) with a low-income household certificate, middle-low-income household certificate, or the certificate for a family in hardship issued by R.O.C government agencies shall submit one of the following certificates that have validity by December 2023:
  - (1) Low-income household certificate with the student's name.
  - (2) Middle-low-income household certificate with the student's name.
  - (3) The certificate for the family in hardship with the student's name.
- 2. Economically disadvantaged students (R.O.C. students) who meet all of the requirements of the total household income and culturally disadvantaged students (R.O.C. students) shall submit the following documents:
  - (1) Family Status Statement Form (available in Chinese only).
  - (2) "Household Registration Transcript" or "Household Certificate" with complete household information issued within 3 months of application submission.

#### Please note:

- i. Household information should include all of the following members (if applicable): the student, the student's parents, spouse, children, unmarried siblings, married siblings who are living together with the student, grandparents who are registered as the same household with the student or are living together with the student.
- ii. For the student whose parents are divorced, to confirm custody information, please be sure to provide detailed household registration documents.
- iii. Handwritten "Household Certificates" will not be accepted.
- iv. If the student applies for a "Household Registration Transcript" or "Household Certificate" online, the submitted printout must include the page that states "the electronic Household Registration Transcript is verified correctly by the Department of Household Registration, MOI" or "there is no change for the request record of Household Certificate."
- (3) "Individual Income Tax List" from the 2022 Fiscal Year issued by the National Taxation Bureau, Ministry of Finance in 2022 for all household members.

### Please note:

- i. Household members should include all of the following (if applicable): the student, the student's parents, spouse, children, unmarried siblings, married siblings who are living together with the student, grandparents who are registered as the same household with the student or are living together with the student.
- ii. No matter the household member's work status (unemployed, employed, student, kid), an Individual Income Tax List for each household member must be provided.
- iii. "Pre-calculation of Individual Income Tax Returns" or "Notice for Assessment of Individual Income Tax" will not be accepted.
- 3. Noncitizen students with an underprivileged certificate, low-income household certificate, or tax exemption certificate issued by the government agencies of the student's home country shall submit one of the following certificates:
  - I. Underprivileged certificate that is applicable for 2023.
  - II. Low-income household certificate that is applicable for 2023.
  - III. Tax exemption certificate that is applicable for 2023.

The certificate must be written in or translated into Chinese or English and shall be certified by the government agency with the official seal or stamp.