

CYCU-Outstanding Foreign PhD Scholarship for Academic Research Upgrades

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Article 1. CYCU established this set of Regulations for encouraging international students at the doctoral level with the potential for academic research and development for their positive engagement in academic research so as to develop talents in academic research and upgrade the research capacity.

Article 2. Application qualifications

The qualification requirements of prospective applicants and academic advisors are specified as follows:

- I. Students: foreign students (excluding students from Mainland China) enrolled in the doctoral programs of CYCU. First year students of the year have priority for the scholarship.
- II. Academic advisors: The research-projects in pursuit during the duration of the application process (including industry-academic collaborative education programs) totaled NT\$500,000. Each academic advisor may recommend 2 international students at the doctoral level.

No repeated applications for recipients of scholarships to outstanding students were recruited to upgrade academic research.

Article 3. The application shall be filed in the following manners:

Applicants and academic advisors shall prepare all application documents during the application period (academic advisors shall recommend and act on behalf of the first year students to be admitted) and submit all the documents to the relevant colleges in the care of the department/school for document review. Respective colleges shall call for meetings for preliminary screening on the list of recommended students subject to the second review of the Research Advocacy Committee of CYCU. Students who passed the second review for the scholarship shall be announced.

The foundation of review shall be the academic research capacity and performance of the students. The focus of review is specified below:

- I. Rudimentary capacity: Academic scoring
- II. Research potential: Related academic research performance in the past (publication of academic research papers, attending international academic conferences, participation in academic research projects), awards from academic papers or related research competition, or other information of the same nature sufficient to prove the potential.

Article 4. Budget of Awards and Authorization Principles

Each doctoral student will be granted NT\$6,000/month of scholarship within the approved period of up to 3 years.

First year doctoral students will be processed by application and approval at one time for a prearranged period of 3 years.

Doctoral students in the second year or above shall apply for approval in every academic year.

If the students with a scholarship petitioned for withdrawal from study, absence from school, or suspension of study in a specific period before graduation, CYCU will terminate the scholarship award.

The budget for the scholarship shall be allocated no more than the actual budget limit authorized per school year. In the case of insufficient source of budget, CYCU may make necessary adjustments subject to its financial position.

Article 5. Periodic Assessment

During the time limit for authorization of the scholarship, the relevant department/institute and advisor shall be responsible for supervising and training the doctoral program students' experience and ability in research.

Awarded students shall present reports on research findings every year for evaluation. The evaluation will be conducted within 1 month after the end of the awarded period. No further award of scholarship will be granted to students who cannot meet the evaluation standard.

Awarded students must present the academic research findings in the name of CYCU during the awarded period, and must be the first author or associate author of the work (the academic advisor as the author of first priority could be excluded). The type of research works should be confined to Article or Review. The evaluation standard is specified below:

- I. First year doctoral students who have been granted a scholarship for 1 year: at least 1 piece of work submitted to SCI, SSCI, Scopus, or similar types of periodicals for publication.
- II. Second year doctoral students or above who have been granted scholarship for 2 years must meet any of the following:
 1. At least 1 piece of work accepted by SCI and SSCI for publication should be rated among the top 25% under the coefficient of influence.
 2. At least 2 pieces of work accepted by SCI, SSCI, or Scopus for publication.
 3. Acquired 1 patent for invention in Taiwan or overseas.
- III. Students awarded for 3 years: the total outcome should be senior to the aforementioned performance.

Article 6. Anything not mentioned in this scheme shall be subject to the review of the Research Advocacy Committee.

Article 7. This tentative scheme shall be subject to the discussion and resolution of the School Administration Coordination Council, and announced for implementation. The same procedure is applicable to any amendment thereto.