**CYCU-Outstanding Foreign PhD Scholarship Trial Program for Academic Research Upgrades**

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Article 1. In order to attract and encourage outstanding international doctoral students with potential for academic research and development to actively engage in scholarly research, and to cultivate academic research talent and enhance academic research capacity, CYCU has established these Regulations.

Article 2. Application Procedure and Eligibility

This scholarship is administered on a semester basis, with the award list approved for the

following semester.

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

follows:

1. Students: Eligible applicants must be international students (excluding students from

mainland China) who are enrolled or applying for admission to the doctoral program at

CYCU . Priority will be given to first-year students applying for admission.

1. 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 two (2) international students at the

doctoral level.

No repeated applications are allowed for recipients of scholarships to outstanding doctoral

students 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/institute 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:

1. Rudimentary capacity: Academic performance
2. 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. Funding of Awards and Principles of Authorization

Each doctoral student will be granted NT$6,000/month of scholarship within the approved period

of up to three (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 funding, CYCU may make

necessary adjustments subject to its financial situation.

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 one (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 corresponding author of the work (the academic

advisor as the first author could be excluded). The type of research works should be confined to

Article or Review. The evaluation standard is specified below:

1. 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.
2. Second year doctoral students or above who have been granted scholarship for 2 years must meet any of the following:
3. At least 1 paper accepted by SCI and SSCI for publication should be rated with the Impact Factor within top 25%.
4. At least 2 papers accepted by SCI, SSCI, or Scopus for publication.
5. Acquired 1 invention patent in Taiwan or overseas.
6. Students awarded for 3 years: the total outcome should be better than the aforementioned performance.

Article 6. Anything not mentioned in this Trial Program shall be subject to the review of the Research

Advocacy Committee.

Article 7. This Trial Program 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.