

2016 HES & MTC Scholarships
Summer Chinese Language Studies in Taiwan

We are pleased to announce two types of scholarships to support Chinese language studies in Taiwan in the summer of 2016. All applicants are required to go through an internal review process through which the review committee will finalize the recipients of the scholarships at UVa by *Friday, March 18th, 2016*.

I. Huayu Enrichment Scholarship offered by Ministry of Education in Taiwan (HES 臺灣教育部華語獎學金)

Application deadline & procedure

1. Send a one-page (singled-spaced) personal statement in English to Hsiang-ning Sunnie Wang, by *Friday, March 11th, 2016*. Late application will not be considered.
2. Schedule an interview when you submit the personal statement via email. In your email correspondence please indicate the Chinese language course you are currently taking this semester and the name of your current Chinese language instructor.
3. The scholarship will be awarded to two UVa students.
4. See details about the HES scholarship in pages 4-5.

II. MTC Scholarship (Mandarin Teaching Center, 臺灣師範大學國語教學中心獎學金)

Application deadline & procedure

1. Send a one-page (singled-spaced) personal statement in English to Hsiang-ning Sunnie Wang, by *Friday, March 11th, 2015*. Late application will not be considered.
2. Schedule an interview when you submit the personal statement via email. In your email please indicate the Chinese language course you are currently taking this semester and the name of your current Chinese language instructor.
3. The scholarship will be awarded to two UVa students.
4. See details about MTC tuition waiver in the following pages.

III. Highlighted differences in the two types of scholarships

1. Internal review process at UVa

Both of the following scholarship sponsors have authorized UVa faculty to conduct the review process and make final recommendations. Therefore, all UVa students who are interested in applying for either type of the scholarship should go through the internal review process stated above without any exception.

2. Nature of scholarship

HES scholarship offers a 2-month stipend, i.e., a fixed monthly stipend of NT\$25,000 (approx. US \$833). You can use it for whatever purposes directly related to your studies in Taiwan. MTC offers tuition waiver for language studies in that particular center without stipend support.

3. Eligibility

- 1) HES applicants should be American citizens, whereas MTC applicants do not have to be American citizens. International students are encouraged to apply for the latter, but NOT the former.
- 2) Undergraduate and graduate students are encouraged to apply.
- 3) Although you may want to indicate interests in both scholarships, the UVa review committee will NOT grant two scholarships to one applicant. Only one scholarship will be granted to one applicant according to the review committee's decision and recommendation.

4. Application package

Your application package for the UVa internal review process includes the following:

- 1) Personal statement (email attachment).
- 2) An oral interview with the HES & MTC Scholarships Committee.

There is **NO** need to request a recommendation letter from your instructor unless otherwise noted. What is likely to happen is that the review committee will contact your current Chinese language instructor to request recommendations at an opportune time. You do not need to request a recommendation letter from your language instructor until the committee notifies you that you are selected as an HES or MTC scholarship recipient.

5. Proficiency Level

Learners at whatever proficiency level are all welcome to apply.

6. Transferred credits

UVa does not offer automatic transferred credits. After you return to UVa, you will have to schedule an appointment to meet with the Chinese Language Program Director, Professor Hsin-hsin Liang to discuss the possibility of transferring credits to UVa. Be reminded that you should bring your learning portfolio to the meeting, including syllabus, textbooks, exams, quizzes, homework, handouts and other learning materials. Professor Liang will interview you, examine the materials, and decide if the credits you will have earned over summer can be successfully transferred to your UVa transcript.

7. Study sites

HES scholarship recipients can self-determine exactly where you prefer, whereas MTC scholarship recipients should study in the designated location, i.e., MTC. Other recommended study sites will be shared with HES scholarship recipients as time approaches. In the past years, UVa students who received HES scholarship all chose to study at MTC of the National Taiwan Normal University and International Chinese Language Program of National Taiwan University in Taipei. Once you are selected as one of the recipients of the HES scholarship, the committee members will advise you to make plans and recommend study sites to best prepare for your trip to Taiwan.

8. Review criteria

The granting of the scholarships is merits-based and needs-based. Your timely submitted personal statement and the to-be-scheduled oral interview account for a great proportion of weight. Recommendation from your current Chinese language instructor is equally important.

2016 Application Announcement
Ministry of Education (MOE) Huayu Enrichment Scholarship (HES)
Education Division, Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office
in the United States.
TECRO in Washington DC

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Preface: The Ministry of Education (MOE) in the Republic of China (Taiwan) provides the Huayu Enrichment Scholarship (HES) for foreign Mandarin/Chinese learners including beginners to study at any accredited Mandarin center in a university or college in Taiwan.

Award Value: A fixed monthly stipend of NT\$25,000 (about US\$833, rate: 30.) No other stipend.

Duration: 2 months (June to July or July to August, 2016), or **3, 6, 9 months** from September 2016 to August, 2017.

Eligibility: Applicants must be American citizens, be above the age of 18, possess a high school diploma or above, with excellent academic performance. Candidates with one of the following qualifications may not apply. (Applicants of other nationalities need to apply to the Division or Taiwan Consulates or Missions in their **native** countries.)

IMPORTANT NOTES:

1. **For details of 2016 Huayu Enrichment Scholarship (HES), please read Guidelines carefully.**
2. Applicants whose official residency is in “**Alabama, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, or the District of Columbia**” should apply to TECRO’s **Education Division in DC** (4201 Wisconsin Ave., NW , Washington, DC 20016). Others check here for one of our seven (7) Education Divisions in the US where you may apply.
3. Applicants can find an accredited Mandarin center here to choose where they would like to attend.
4. TECRO plans to notify the accepted/declined candidates about the selection in April or May.
5. We will not return documents that applicants have provided.

The MTC Scholarship Program

□ Purpose

The goal of the MTC Scholarship Program is to encourage promising students from foreign countries to continue their Chinese studies in Taiwan and increase the flow of international culture.

The Mandarin Training Center (MTC), established in 1956, is affiliated with National Taiwan Normal University (NTNU) and is Taiwan's oldest and best-known Chinese language institute. In cooperation with the Graduate Institute of Teaching Chinese as a Foreign/Second Language, the Graduate Institute of International Sinology Studies, the Department of Applied Chinese Languages and Literature, and the Department of Chinese Language and Culture for International Students at NTNU, the MTC is recognized as one of the world's leading research and teaching institutions. The MTC Scholarship, a tuition fee waiver, will be awarded to serious students of excellence to promote the study of Mandarin Chinese.

□ Benefits and Duration

1. Tuition at the MTC is waived. Each year has four terms (Mar. 1-May 31 / Jun. 1-Aug. 31 / Sep. 1-Nov. 30/ Dec. 1-Feb. 28) and a summer session (July 1-Aug. 31). The duration of the scholarship is granted for a minimum of 1 term or up to a maximum of four consecutive terms (1 year).
2. After the initial term, in accordance to available funds, continued receipt of scholarships will be determined by attendance and grades during the previous term.

□ Key Points for Scholarship Students

1. Students who possess the necessary Chinese proficiency and who are present for the TOCFL's biannual exams must participate in the TOCFL exam, the TOCFL fee must be paid by the student. The TOCFL scores will be taken into consideration for students wishing to continue the duration of their studies for a following term.
2. Students must participate in the Language Exchange Program and provide a written evaluation at the completion of their language exchange.

3. Students must complete each term they receive the scholarship, if students must leave early they will need to submit a Leave of Absence Request to the scholarship office.
4. The recommendation instructor and school will be notified of students who fail to follow scholarship or MTC guidelines.

Eligible Students

Outstanding students from overseas colleges and universities who have studied or are currently studying Mandarin Chinese are eligible for the scholarship. Each university may be granted one or two student scholarships.

Qualifications for Applicants

Overseas applicants must meet the following requirements:

- (1) Students must be recommended by their Chinese instructor or dean.
- (2) Students must have an outstanding academic record and be of good character.
- (3) Students cannot be recipients of any other scholarships from other Taiwan government agencies (such as Taiwan Scholarship, Language Scholarship, Huayu Enrichment Scholarship also known as the Language Scholarship and Sister City Scholarship).
- (4) For interested students who are currently attending universities or language centers in Taiwan please contact the MTC Scholarship office for more information.

Scholarship Application

Application Deadline:

Term	Application Deadline
Spring Quarter (Mar. 1-May 31)	Jan. 15
Summer Quarter (June 1-Aug. 31)	Apr. 15
Summer Session (July 1-Aug. 31)	May 15
Fall Quarter (Sept. 1-Nov. 30)	July 15
Winter Quarter (Dec. 1-Feb. 28)	Oct. 15