## 2020/2021

Fact sheet for INCOMING EXCHANGE STUDENT COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

國立臺灣大學 社會科學院

NATIONAL TAIWAN UNIVERSITY

## GENERAL INFORMATION



### Eligibility



Applicants must be **full-time students** who are currently enrolled in an institution with which College of Social Sciences, National Taiwan University (NTU COSS) has a **valid student exchange agreement**.



Applicants must have completed **1-year undergraduate study** or obtained **a recognized bachelor's degree** or equivalent before commencing their exchange at NTU COSS.



Applicants must be international students **without Taiwanese citizenship**.



Applicants can choose to study for one semester or one full academic year in NTU COSS, while **Chinese citizens are advised to apply for onesemester** exchange unless otherwise approved by the relevant authorities.

### **NOMINATION**



Each of our partner institutions has its own screening procedures. If you are interested in this exchange program, please first contact the student exchange coordinator at your home institution. **Applications without official nomination will NOT be accepted**.

### APPLICATION

Students are required to complete application online (link will be dispatched to nominated students automatically by the application system), with the following documents provided (all in electronic copy):

- Official transcripts (in Chinese or English)
- Certificate of Enrollment at home university
- Copy of the identification page of your passport
- One A4 page statement of purpose/ study plan (in Chinese or English)
- ID photo.



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Challenges are what make life interesting and overcoming them is what makes life meaningful.



Nomination deadlines	Fall Spring	Mar 31, 2020 Oct 15, 2020
Application deadlines	Fall Spring	Apr 20, 2020 Nov 15, 2020
Admission notification	Fall Spring	Late May, 2020 Late Dec, 2020
Online course registration	Fall Spring	Mid August, 2020 Mid January, 2021
Student arrival dates (TBC)	Fall Spring	Sep 4, 2020 Feb 10, 2021
International student orientation (TBC)	Fall Spring	Sep 5, 2020 Feb 11, 2021
Academic year	Fall Spring	Sep 1st, 2020—Jan 31, 2021 Feb 1st, 2021—Jun 30,2021

Note: One term (semester) in Taiwan lasts for 18 weeks, examination period included.



## FEES

Tuition fee is waived for incoming exchange students from our partner institutions with tuition waiver agreement.



### FOR (INTER)NATIONAL STUDENTS



On-campus housing and internet access should be paid by students.

Estimated living expenses for one semester (including on-campus accommodation, visa, textbooks, food, public transportation, entertainment and others): TWD 110,600 (USD 3,690)





# DEPARTMENTS

#### • Department of Political Science

- Sub-division of Political Theory
- Sub-division of International Relations
- Sub-division of Public Administration
- Department of Economics
- Department of Sociology
- Department of Social Work



# • Graduate Institute of National Development

- Graduate Institute of Journalism#
- Graduate Institute of Public Affairs#

\*Students should select a department based on their field of study at the home institution. # PhD programs are not available.



# **COURSE OUTLINE**

Course information can be located at the following website (for reference only, course lists will be finalized one month before each semester starts):

https://nol.ntu.edu.tw/nol/guest/index.php

All NTU courses are opened to exchange students subject to fulfillment of prerequisites, availability of seats, timetabling as well as approval of home institutions, relevant academic departments, and especially, instructors.

Demand could be high for some popular courses. Students are advised to be flexible with their course selection.

For courses conducted in English, and user instructions for NTU course selection system, please refer to http://www.oia.ntu.edu.tw/study-at-ntu/why-study-at-ntu/courses

### GENERAL CHINESE COURSES

Placement tests are compulsory even for zerobeginners. Your Chinese placement test results will appear on the NTU course selection system one week after the placement test.

There is no need to select general Chinese courses on the course selection system during the course preregistration period.

For more information: http://www.oia.ntu.edu.tw /study-at-ntu/why-studyat-ntu/learning-chinese





- All general Chinese courses, regardless of the level, are free of charge for incoming exchange students.
- All general Chinese courses are credit-bearing, and can be counted as part of the required minimum credits.



All incoming exchange students are advised to enroll in courses equivalent to 6 NTU credits. They must also fulfill related requirements of their home institutions.

Students who wish to work on research under the supervision of an NTU faculty member must approach the potential supervisor on their own. NTU will not assign a supervisor to an exchange student.

Each unit of credit usually corresponds to one hour of lecture or seminar (10-minute break included) per week for 18 weeks (examination period included). Most courses in NTU carry 2-3 units.

The main medium of instruction in NTU is Chinese. There are about 40 courses offered in English by NTU COSS per academic year. Incoming exchange students with an average or solid foundation in Chinese are welcome to take courses taught in Chinese along with our local students. Students are recommended to take general Chinese language courses even they choose to be instructed mainly in English.

Grading may include one or a combination of the following: attendance, class participation, term-paper(s), oral presentation, written or take home examinations.

If an exchange student can't stay until the end of the scheduled examination period, he or she must inform the instructor at the beginning of the term.

Transcripts will be mailed to the home institution approximately 4 weeks after examinations.

### VISA

Before entering Taiwan, incoming exchange students should apply for a Visitor Visa (one-semester exchange) or Resident Visa (full-year exchange) with the Taiwanese Embassy or Mission in their country of residence. NTU COSS will mail an official acceptance letter necessary for visa application.

The maximum duration of stay the Visitor Visa permits is 90 days; therefore, all Visitor Visa holders wishing to stay for at least 1 semester must apply for an extension at least once. Visitor Visa extension must be applied for within 15 days of your current visa's expiration date.

#### ARC

Students on full-year exchange will have to change their Resident Visa to Alien Resident Certificate (ARC) at the National Immigration Agency within 15 days of their arrival in Taiwan. The ARC is valid for the duration of their studies

It is students' own responsibility to obtain an appropriate visa prior to their arrival in Taiwan.

Chinese citizens will have to apply for an Entry Permit through the assistance of NTU COSS.

#### **Special warning:**

Chinese students will not be able to leave Taiwan in the middle of the whole exchange period as the local law only allows us to apply for the single-entry permit for exchange students from China. So the students are advised to think carefully before they apply.

### ACCOMODATION

University housing is generally available, but not guaranteed. All incoming exchange students will be accommodated at NTU Prince House:

#### https://ntudorm.prince.com.tw/Introduction\_List.aspx

- Housing application should be submitted together with admission application.
- There are 4 room types available: En suite (NTD8,800 per month), Single Room (NTD7,400 per month), Double Room (NTD4,900 per month), and Triple Room (NTD4,400 per month). Students are not guaranteed their housing preference noted during the application.
- Electricity and laundry are not included in the rental.
- It is impossible to choose your roommate. Male and female rooms are separate in all NTU dormitories.
- You will be notified of your room assignment and payment information about one month before your arrival. This notification will be sent to the e-mail address you left on the on-line application system. Any questions regarding your housing assignment should be directed to the main office of your assigned residence. This information will be included in your housing assignment notification.



- The start and end dates noted on the housing contract may be different from the official start and end dates of NTU semesters. If you hope to arrive earlier and extend your stay in Taiwan until a later date, you need to find accommodation by yourself.
- Students may also choose to live off-campus. Please note that most landlords require a one-year lease, so it can be difficult to arrange for off-campus housing if you plan to stay here for only one semester.

### INSURANCE AND HEALTH EXAM

All incoming exchange students must provide a proof of accident and medical insurance worth a minimum of NTD1,000,000 (approx. USD 34,000) valid for the entire exchange period in order to be officially registered. NTU COSS or the university will not offer a student insurance plan so students are strongly advised to purchase one prior to their arrival in Taiwan.

All incoming exchange students must take a health exam by a qualified doctor and complete each examination listed on the **NTU Incoming Exchange/Visiting Students Health Exam Form**. Failure to provide a qualified health exam report will delay registration.







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