

Application Instructions and Guidelines for the Ministry of Education Huayu Enrichment Scholarship 2023

Conducted by the Education Division,

Taipei Economic and Cultural Office (TECO) in Houston

Purpose

The purpose of the Ministry of Education (MOE) Huayu Enrichment Scholarship (HES) is to encourage American students and individuals to go study in Taiwan and undertake Mandarin Chinese language training and courses at Chinese language institutes affiliated with universities or colleges in the Republic of China (Taiwan).

Award Value

- 1. Each scholarship recipient will receive monthly stipends of 25,000 New Taiwan Dollars (NTD) in conjunction with the duration of scholarship approved.
- 2. The foreign exchange rate from USD to NTD is estimated at 1 to 30. The actual exchange rate is subject to currency fluctuations.

Available Scholarships

There are ten (10) one-year openings available for MOE HES 2023. Eligible applicants from Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma and Texas are welcome to submit applications.

Duration

1. Each applicant must select the duration of the scholarship for which they will apply. Study periods may vary based on the duration selected, as described below:

Scholarship Durations	Study Period
2 months	Limited to summer courses from June to July, 2023 or from July to August, 2023
3 months	
6 months	Between September 1, 2023 and August 31, 2024 (2023-2024 academic year)
9 months	
12 months	From September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2024 (2023-2024 academic year)

2. The Education Division of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Houston reserves the right to decide the duration of scholarship for successful candidates.

Eligibility

- 1. Applicants must be American nationals, above the age of eighteen (18), with a high school diploma or higher degree, must have excellent academic records, and must be of good moral character.
- 2. Applicants are not eligible if they meet any of the following restrictions:
 - (1) Overseas Chinese or nationals of the Republic of China (Taiwan).
 - (2) Is currently registered as a student at a Mandarin Language Center or has sought a degree from a university or college in Taiwan.
 - (3) Individuals who received an MOE HES, MOE Taiwan Scholarship, TUSA Scholarship, and Taiwan Huayu BEST Program Scholarship in the past. (*HES, TUSA Scholarship, and Taiwan Huayu BEST Program Scholarship are mutually exclusive.)
 - (4) Exchange or dual/joint degree students admitted in accordance with academic cooperation agreements between local universities/colleges and foreign universities/colleges.
 - (5) Individuals who are currently receiving financial benefits from Taiwan government or any educational institutions in Taiwan.

Application

- 1. Duration: February 1 to March 31, 2023. (*Late applications will NOT be considered for selection.)
- 2. Online Application: Please apply via the "2023 Taiwan Scholarship And Huayu Enrichment Scholarship" online application system (https://taiwanscholarship.moe.gov.tw/Apply), select the category of 'HUAYU ENRICHMENT SCHOLARSHIP (MOE)' and upload the required documents below:
 - (1) Recent photo (taken within the last 3 months);
 - (2) Passport or other documents that can verify the nationality of the applicant;
 - (3) Proof of application to language centers in Taiwan (e.g. photocopies of application form, a notice or e-mail from the language centers acknowledging their receipt of the application, etc.); Admission letter issued by a Chinese Language Centr in Taiwan is required for twomonth Scholarship applicants;
 - *Attention: Language centers not listed from the "List of Chinese Language Center" will not be considered for selection. Please refer to https://english.moe.gov.tw/cp-23-24206-13c8a-1.html.
 - (4) Affidavit/Declaration for the Ministry of Education Huayu Enrichment Scholarship (signed and dated by the applicant).
- 3. Please mail the original documents as listed below to the Education Division (*postmarked no later than March 31, 2023):
 - (1) Application form and required documents printed from the online application system;
 - (2) Signed Affidavit/Declaration;
 - (3) Sealed original academic transcripts from the institution where the applicant obtained his/her highest/current degree;
 - (4) Two sealed letters of recommendation from school principals, professors, academic counselors, or supervisors;

Mailing address:

Attn: HES Application

Education Division of TECO in Houston

11 Greenway Plaza, Suite 2012

Houston, TX 77046, USA

Notification

All HES applicants will be notified by May 31, 2023 of the selection results. Successful candidates (except Two-month Scholarship applicants) must submit a copy of an admission letter that is issued by the language center to the e-mail: houston@moetw.org by June 30, 2023. Those who fail to provide the admission letter before the designated time, will forfeit their right to scholarships.

Procedure

- 1. Applications are considered complete when all of the aforementioned required documents have been submitted. Incomplete applications or those missing required documents will be withdrawn from the selection process without further notice to the applicants.
- Documents will be reviewed during the preliminary selection process and interviews with qualified candidates via internet, telephone, or in person may be required for final selection process.
- 3. Late applications will not be considered for selection.

Other Regulations

- 1. The application instructions and guidelines are given in Chinese and English and, in the event of any discrepancy, the Chinese version will take precedence over the English text. For further details on the regulations for HES, please refer to the Ministry of Education Huayu Enrichment Scholarship (HES) International Student Directions (EN), which can be downloaded at: https://taiwanscholarship.moe.gov.tw/web/pages.aspx?p=7.
- For further information regarding Mandarin learning in Taiwan, please visit
 https://english.moe.gov.tw/cp-23-24206-13c8a-1.html, https://www.studyintaiwan.org/chinese,
 or https://lmit.edu.tw .
- 3. Please refer to "Ministry of Education Huayu Enrichment Scholarship (HES) International Student Directions" for Terms and Conditions for Recipients, Scholarship Suspension and Cancellation.

4. Program contact information:

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- 5. HES recipients are asked to submit a reflection statement to the Education Division of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Houston briefly overviewing their experiences upon completion of their time in Taiwan.
- 6. Should pandemic conditions increase, all the awardees must follow entry restrictions and quarantine regulations for foreign nationals imposed by the Central Epidemic Command Center (CECC) and the Ministry of Education.