



Application Instructions and Guidelines for the Ministry of Education Huayu Enrichment Scholarship 2026

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 28,000 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 32. The actual exchange rate is subject to currency fluctuations.

Available Scholarships

There are ten (10) one-year (120 month) openings available for eligible applicants from Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma and Texas.

Duration

1. Each applicant must select the intended scholarship duration. 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, 2026 or from July to August, 2026
3 months	Between September 1, 2026 and August 31, 2027 (2026-2027 academic year)
6 months	
9 months	
12 months	From September 1, 2026 to August 31, 2027 (2026-2027 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 Republic of China (Taiwan) passport holder.
 - (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 and TUSA Scholarship in the past. (*HES and TUSA 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. Application Period: February 1 to March 31, 2026. (**Late applications will NOT be considered for selection.*)
2. Online Application: Please apply via the “2026 Taiwan Scholarship And Huayu Enrichment Scholarship” online application system (<https://taiwanscholarship.moe.gov.tw/Apply>), select the category of ‘Huayu Enrichment Scholarship’ 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 Center in Taiwan is required for two-month Scholarship applicants;
**Special Notes: 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-23-39903-228d6-1.html> .*
 - (4) 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, 2026*):
 - (1) Hard copy of application form and required documents generated from the online application system;
 - (2) Terms of Agreement (signed and dated by the applicant);
 - (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

Note: Documents will NOT be returned to applicants.

Notification

1. All MOE HES applicants will be notified by May 31, 2026.
2. Selected candidates (except Two-month Scholarship applicants) must submit a copy of the admission letter issued by the university/college they have decided to attend to the email: houston@moetw.org , by June 30, 2026. 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.
2. 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.

Visa Regulations

Beginning with the summer term of the 2026 academic year, scholarship recipients must obtain a Taiwan visa specifically for the purpose of “studying Mandarin.” Recipients who enter Taiwan on a landing visa, e-visa, or visa-exempt entry will not be eligible to receive the Huayu Enrichment Scholarship.

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 “Operation Directions Governing the Ministry of Education Huayu Enrichment Scholarships”, which can be downloaded at:
<https://taiwanscholarship.moe.gov.tw/web/pages.aspx?p=7> .

2. For further information regarding Mandarin learning centers in Taiwan, please visit https://lmit.edu.tw/en/school_list , or <https://lmit.edu.tw/en> .
3. Please refer to “Operation Directions Governing the Ministry of Education Huayu Enrichment Scholarships” for Terms and Conditions for Recipients, Scholarship Suspension and Cancellation.
4. Program contact information:
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5. HES recipients are required 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.