Regulations for International Scholarships at National Chiao Tung University

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- I. National Chiao Tung University (hereinafter referred to as the "University"), in the desire to recruit outstanding students of foreign nationality to study at the University and promote internationalization, duly established the "International Student Scholarships." In accordance with the "Guidelines for Admitting International Students," the University offers scholarships and grants to students of foreign nationality who apply for degree programs at the University.
- II. The sources of the funds for the "International Student Scholarships" include subsidies granted by the Ministry of Education and the sums appropriated out of the University's Post-Graduate Scholarships. The sums appropriated out of the University's Post-Graduate Scholarship shall be exclusively granted to matriculating international students studying in programs leading toward a master's or doctoral degree.

III. Outstanding New Student Scholarships:

- (I) Qualification requirements: A newly admitted student with outstanding academic records, and who has not received any other scholarships from the Taiwan (R.O.C.) government.
- (II) Review process: The graduate institutes/departments shall conduct a preliminary review of each applicant's previous academic records or research ability. Each College shall rank eligible candidates and recommend them to the Scholarships Committee, who shall proceed with a second-round of review of the applications and supporting documents to

resolve the number of scholarship finalists and scholarship amounts based on the availability of scholarship funds for the year.

(III) Amount of scholarships:

- (1) Undergraduate students: NT\$7,000 per month plus tuition waiver.
- (2) Master's degree students: NT\$10,000 per month plus tuition waiver.
- (3) Doctoral degree students: NT\$15,000 per month plus tuition waiver.

(IV) Award Period:

- (1) One semester in principle (Students who are admitted in the Spring Semester will receive scholarship monies from March to August; students who are admitted in the Fall Semester will receive scholarship monies from September to February of the following year).
- (2) Applicants from universities that have specific agreement with NCTU or from partner universities, and with impressive academic performance; or with outstanding performance recommended by departments/ institutes, whose applications are approved by International Student Scholarships Review Committee, are entitled to one year award period in princle.(Students who are admitted in the Spring Semester will receive scholarship monies from March to February of the following year; students who are admitted in the Fall Semester will receive scholarship monies from September to August of the following year).

IV. Outstanding Current Student Scholarships:

- (I) Qualification requirements: Any international student who has studied for one complete semester at the University and meets the requirements below:
 - (1) Academic performance:
 - i. **Post-Graduate students:** Such a candidate shall take a minimum of one "professional course" specify to his institute/department (i.e. Digital Signal Processing for applicants from Electrical Engineering) in every semester and shall have obtained an average grade of 80 or above for the previous two semesters (if the candidate has only one semester grade, then the record of that semester will be referenced). A post-graduate student who has completed the required credits for graduation and achieved an overall grade of 80 or above for all previous years of study shall submit a recommendation written by his thesis advisor along with all relevant documents concerning the research thesis.
 - ii. **Undergraduate students:** An undergraduate student shall have obtained an average grade of 70 or above for the previous two semesters (for the candidate who has only one semester grade, then the record of that semester will be referenced).
 - iii. Conduct: A score of 80 or above for every semester.
 - (2) Students who do not meet the award qualifications but who maintain an average passing grade ("passing" is defined as a grade of 70 or above for post-graduate students and 60 or above for undergraduate students) may apply for waiver/reduction of tuition and fees (subject to the approval of the Review Committee).
 - (3) An international student holding a working visa or working ARC is not eligible for the "International Student Scholarships."
- (II) Review process: The graduate institutes/departments shall conduct a preliminary review of the applicant's previous academic records or research ability. Each College shall rank eligible candidates and recommend them to the Scholarships Committee, who shall

proceed with a second-round of review. The number of scholarship recipients shall be adjusted based on the availability of scholarship funds for the year. The number of recipients shall be allocated *pro rata* according to the number of scholarship applicants of the respective Colleges. The quota of the scholarship recipients may be negotiated among the Colleges.

(III) Amount of scholarships (three categories):

- (1) Golden Bamboo Award:
 - i. Undergraduate students: NT\$10,000 per month plus tuition waiver.
 - ii. Master's degree students: NT\$13,000 per month plus tuition waiver (the amount waivered is based on the standards as regulated by NCTU).
 - iii. Doctoral degree students: NT\$20,000 per month plus tuition waiver (the amount waivered is based on the standards as regulated by NCTU).

(2) Silver Bamboo Award:

- i. Undergraduate students: NT\$7,000 per month plus tuition waiver.
- ii. Master degree students: NT\$7,000 plus tuition waiver (the amount waivered is based on the standards as regulated by NCTU).
- iii. Doctoral degree students: NT\$10,000 plus tuition waiver (the amount waivered is based on the standards as regulated by NCTU).
- (3) Bronze Bamboo: Waiver/reduction of tuition fees.

Note: Golden and Silver Bamboo Award recipients shall, in accordance with voluntary service assigned by respective department/institute, serve as teaching assistants (TA) for international students **or** provide administrative assistance (AA) to the respective department/institute. The requirement for being TA should reach at least 6 to 12 hours per month; for being AA, it should reach at least 8 to 16 hours per month. Each scholarship recipient should submit timesheet of previous months to OIA before the end of every semester.

Working Period of the Fall Semester: Sep. 15^{th} to Jan. 15^{th} , of the following year; working Period of the Spring Semester: Feb. 15^{th} to Jun. 30^{th} .

- V. Rules and regulations governing the application and award of the "International Student Scholarships":
 - (I) The Outstanding Current Student Scholarships for International Students is granted for a one-year period. For each subsequent year, a scholarship application shall be submitted for review. The Outstanding New Student Scholarships for International Students is granted for a six-month period. After attending the University for one semester, international students may apply for the Outstanding Current Student Scholarships.
 - (II) A recipient of the "International Student Scholarships" shall not receive any other scholarship or grant from the Taiwan (R.O.C.) government.
 - (III) International Scholarship recipients shall take at least one Chinese language course per semester in the first two years of the award period; if recipients who have taken Chinese language courses before coming to Taiwan or in other Chinese Language Institutes are exempted from this clause on condition that their previous Chinese Language programs are admitted by NCTU Chinese Language Center.
 - (IV) All the aforementioned scholarships shall be granted only for the period while the recipients are studying at the University.
 - (V) The definition of Tuition Waiver:

- (1) Undergraduate students: Waiver of tuition and miscellaneous fees in full.
- (2) Post-graduate students: Waiver/reduction of tuition base fee. The amount waivered is based on the standards as regulated by NCTU. For special programs (i.e. GMBA, EECS, etc.) or if different amounts are required, then the program coordinator should report to the Scholarship Committee for approval in advance.
- (VI) A recipient shall forfeit the scholarship under the following conditions:
 - (1) Where a recipient has stopped his or her studies for one month or more (inclusive), having neither a prior written approval from the thesis advisor approved by the institute/department nor submitted the required documents to the International Scholarships Review Committee (hereinafter referred to as the Committee) for approval before quitting.
 - (2) Where a recipient has conducted himself or herself in a manner that defames the University and that such fact has been submitted to the Committee for review.
- (VII) Scholarships shall be preferentially granted to undergraduate students for the first and second years after admission, to master's degree students for the first year after admission, and to doctoral degree students for the first and second years after admission. For the Silver Bamboo Award of the Post-Graduate Student Scholarships, the applicants' graduate institutes/departments and the thesis advisor shall offer assistance in the application for research stipends where applicable.
- (VIII) The maximum period of the scholarship: Four years for undergraduate students; two years for master's degree students; four years for doctoral degree students; five years for bachelor's or master's degree students who are directly admitted to doctoral degree programs.
- (IX) A recipient who has received other scholarships of governments or institutions can apply for the Outstanding Current Student Scholarships, after the expiry of the period of the original scholarships. The applicant's qualification requirements refer to the Article IV(I) and the periods of the scholarships need to be accumulated.
- VI. The University sets up the "International Scholarships Review Committee" where the Dean of International Affairs shall serve as the convener, the Dean of Student Affairs, the Dean of the Office of Research and Development, the Dean of Academic Affairs and the deans of various Colleges shall serve as *ex officio* committee members, and where the Extracurricular Activities Department and International Service Center shall assign personnel to serve as Observers. The International Scholarships Review Committee shall take charge of reviewing the applications for the "International Student Scholarships."
- VII. The University may open an "International Scholarships Account" to accept donations from outside donors. The International Scholarships Review Committee shall take charge of reviewing scholarship applications. Other rules and regulations shall govern where applicable.
- VIII. Any matters insufficiently provided for herein shall be subject to laws and regulations concerned.
- IX. These Regulations and amendments hereof shall be put into enforcement after being resolved in the University's Administrative Meeting and approved by the University's President.

If any discrepancy exists between the English and the original Chinese versions, the Chinese version should prevail.