

# NDHU Department of Physics Southward Scholarship Regulations

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- Article 1 These regulations have been formulated in line with NDHU Southward Scholarship Regulations and will be implemented on a trial basis for three years starting in the Academic Year 2017/2018 to expand the recruitment of outstanding international students.
- Article 2 A preliminary review regarding the scholarship shall be carried out by the department admission committee and recommended scholarship candidates shall be ranked in order of priority. This list shall be submitted to the International Affairs and Scholarship Committee (IASC) of the College of Science and Engineering (CSE) for a second review, and then to the International Student Admission and Scholarship Review Panel (the Review Panel) for final review.
- Article 3 The term “international student” as used in these regulations shall refer to the definitions set forth in the “Rules for International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan” of the Ministry of Education.
- Article 4 Application criteria and eligibility are prescribed by Article 4 of the “NDHU College of Science and Engineering Southward Scholarship Regulations” (CSESSR). Eligible applicants shall submit the “Application Form for Southward Fellowship NDHU Department of Physics”.
- Article 5 Scholarship quota and amounts are prescribed by Article 4 of the CSESSR, including the following scholarship amounts:
- (1) Stipend: NT\$6,000 per month (provided by NDHU).
  - (2) Research incentive: NT\$8,000 per month or more (provided by the supervising professor).
  - (3) Exemption from tuition and miscellaneous fees: This shall not include accommodation and other expenses (including agency, insurance, and Internet fees).
- Article 6 Scholarship award period and criteria
- (1) The scholarship shall be awarded for a maximum of three years (six semesters) starting from the year of enrolment. The recipient of further scholarship after six semesters should be referred to the regulations of the home department.
  - (2) The stipend shall be granted for twelve months per year. The monthly amount shall be deposited in a local bank or postal office account of the recipient by the Office of International Affairs (OIA) on a monthly basis in accordance with the approved list of recipients during the scholarship period.
  - (3) The research incentive shall be granted for twelve months per year. The supervising professor shall supply this incentive by depositing the annual amount into a dedicated account in the OIA for each school year during the scholarship period.

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- (4) Scholarship recipients shall be selected and approved during the admission application process.

Article 7 Recipients shall observe the following regulations and obligations during the scholarship period:

- (1) Completion of the registration procedures within the prescribed time limit.
- (2) No disciplinary measures at the level of reprimand or above.
- (3) Official enrolment status shall be maintained; eligibility will be revoked and payment of stipend and research incentives will be terminated upon suspension or termination of studies.
- (4) Students who have been granted this scholarship shall not apply for deferment of enrolment.
- (5) Award criteria/duties/obligations prescribed by the CSESSR must be satisfied. The student shall be reviewed every academic year through a committee organized by his/her supervising professor in view of his/her qualification for the following year's scholarship.
- (6) Failure to meet the aforementioned criteria will result in the loss of eligibility and the termination of scholarship payments starting from the month following the violation, except for emergencies or special circumstances that are subject to the approval of the related committee and the director of the department, the IASC and the Dean of the CSE, and the Review Panel of the OIA.

Article 8 If it is verified that the recipients have provided fabricated or false documents, or simultaneously received other Taiwanese government scholarships, NDHU scholarships or student-aid, the eligibility shall be revoked and the total monetary amount received from this scholarship must be repaid to the university.

Article 9 The supervising professor and the department shall follow the regulations prescribed in Article 9 of the CSESSR.

- (1) The supervising professor shall organize a committee of 3-5 persons in the first registered semester of the student who has been granted this scholarship to review his/her qualification for the following year's scholarship. The committee shall clearly inform the student with the review conditions prescribed by the committee and submit every academic year the review results to the department graduate committee as well as the Department Affairs Meeting for future reference.
- (2) If the student completes all the requirements and receive all six semesters of this scholarship, then the supervising professor shall be responsible for the student's continuing stipend which is not lower than 8,000/month.

Article 10 For matters not specifically covered in these regulations, relevant regulations of the CSE, the university or the Ministry of Education shall apply.

Article 11 These regulations have been reviewed and approved by the department graduate committee as well as the Department Affairs Meeting and the Science and Engineering Department Chairpersons' Meeting, shall be submitted to the Office of International Affairs for future reference.