National Taiwan University (NTU)

2024/2025 September Entry

Admission Guidelines for International Degree Students

- I. Programs and Admission Quotas
 - A. For information regarding available programs, medium of instructions, application requirements and related regulations for international degree students for 2024 September entry, please refer to the website: https://admissions.ntu.edu.tw/apply/international-applications/ >> Available Degree Programs
 - B. Admission Quotas (TBC): Undergraduate programs: 346

Master programs: 550 PhD programs: 200

- II. Program Duration
 - A. Undergraduate programs shall be completed within 4 to 6 years.
 - B. Master programs shall be completed within 1 to 4 years.
 - C. PhD programs shall be completed within 2 to 7 years.

Undergraduate students can apply for graduation when they have satisfied all requirements.

III. Entry Requirements

Applicants who meet the following requirements are eligible to apply:

- A. Nationality: An individual of foreign nationality who has never held the status of an Overseas Chinese student on the date of application, and who complies with the "Regulations Regarding International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan" of the Ministry of Education (MOE).
- B. Qualification:
 - 1. Applicants with a high school diploma are eligible to apply for undergraduate programs, a Bachelor's degree for Master's programs, and a Master's degree for PhD programs. Applicants with documents that meet the requirement of "Standards for Recognition of Equivalent Educational Levels for University Admission" of the Ministry of Education (MOE) may apply to equivalent educational level (master's or PhD programs).
 - 2. Current undergraduate students graduating in the current academic year who demonstrate outstanding research potential may, with the recommendation of two professors (assistant professors or above) from their associated academic program, apply for entry into a direct-entry doctoral degree program at Graduate School of Advanced Technology provided that one of the following conditions is met:
 - a. A cumulative GPA in the top third of the student's associated academic program over the period of studies completed. Each degree program may set more rigorous requirements.
 - b. In exceptional cases, doctoral degree programs may admit students directly due to their outstanding academic performance.
 - 3. Only EMBA Program accepts applicants applying according to Article 7 of "Standards for Recognition of Equivalent Educational Levels for University Admission".

IV. Application Method and Process

- A. Only online applications shall be accepted. Please first complete the online application, and then upload all the relevant documents before the deadline. Hard copy applications/documents will not be accepted.
- B. Each applicant may apply for up to five departments/graduate institutes. Where an applicant receives more than one admission offer, they can only choose one department/graduate institute to enroll in.
- C. The NTU committees at different levels will decide whether to grant an offer based on applicant's qualification and documents.
- D. Certain departments/graduate institutes may require oral/written examinations or interviews. Please refer to:
 - https://admissions.ntu.edu.tw/apply/international-applications/ >> Available Degree Programs
- E. Applicants must submit all the documents in English if they are applying for English-taught programs.
- F. Applicants must read these guidelines (including application requirements for each department/graduate institute) carefully to understand the requirements.
- G. Where an international student who has applied for or has received an admission offer from NTU violates any regulations of the MOE "Regulations Regarding International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan," or where any of the documents submitted is found to be fraudulent, forged, fabricated, altered, or invalid, their application or admission offer will be canceled immediately. If the said student is already enrolled, the applicant will be subject to a revocation of enrollment, or a revocation of graduation qualifications and cancellation of NTU diploma. No academic certificates whatsoever will be issued.

V. Application Procedures

A. Online Application

 The link of the Online Application System can be found at: https://admissions.ntu.edu.tw/apply/international-applications/ >> Online Application System

2. Important Notices:

- a. Remember the email address you used for applying. You will need it to log in to the system to modify application information, upload documents, check your application status and find out the results.
- b. Download or print out the following documents which are automatically generated by the system after you have completed the online application: application form, Declaration and Authorization form, payment form and/or other required documents.
- c. Please ensure to complete the payment and upload all the necessary documents before the designated deadline. Failure to do so may result in the cancellation of your application. All losses thus incurred shall be borne by the applicant.

B. Application Fee Payment

1. Application Fee

- a. The regular fee is TWD 2,000 or USD 80 per department/graduate institute. Where an applicant applies for three or more departments/graduate institutes, the fee is TWD 1,500 or USD 60 per additional application from the third application onwards.
- b. For those who have previously studied at NTU as degree students, or exchange/visiting/summer program students, the fee is TWD 1,500 or USD 60 per department/graduate institute.
- Degree students include students of joint/dual degree programs. Exchange students include university, college and department level exchange students. Visiting and summer program students only include students who have applied through the OIA of NTU.
- Those who have studied at NTU but did not have a Student ID Number are not entitled to the aforementioned discount.
- 2. After the payment is completed, no refund will be given under any circumstances, including but not limited to the withdrawal of application, failure to meet requirements, mistake in the payment and/or double payment.
- 3. Applications with unpaid application fees will not be processed.
- 4. Domestic (Taiwan) payments are only accepted in NT dollars, while international payments are only accepted in US dollars. Other currencies and cash sent by post and/or in bank notes will not be accepted.

5. Payment method:

- a. Domestic payment: Please print out the domestic payment form, bring it to any Hua Nan Bank branch in Taiwan, and pay at the counter. Alternatively, you may pay via bank transfer with the use of a bank card (please do not use credit card) at any ATM in Taiwan. Any charge for interbank transfers shall be borne by the applicant.
- b. International payment: Please print out the international payment form, bring it to any local bank, and make payment via international wire transfer. All related costs and exchange differences shall be borne by the applicant.
- c. Online Credit Card Payment: After successfully paying through the online credit card payment system, please download the "payment invoice". Please upload the "payment invoice" onto the online application system after filling the invoice.

C. Uploading Documents

1. Important Notices:

- a. All applicants shall upload the required documents to the online application system. The documents may be uploaded separately and updated any time before the deadline. After uploading all the documents, applicants will be asked to confirm the submission of the documents. Please go through the documents carefully before confirming the submission. Applicants may not change the submitted documents for any reason once they have confirmed submission. NTU will only process the documents last confirmed and submitted.
- b. All required documents shall be uploaded in PDF files, except for the photo which

- shall be in JPG format. Each document shall not be larger than 5MB, and documents for each department/graduate institute not more than 10MB. Applicants are to upload each of the documents to its respective field. Only one file for each field is accepted. Thus, if applicants have multiple files for a particular field, applicants will need to combine them into one file first before uploading.
- c. If the departments/graduate institutes require additional documents to be sent via post, the said documents shall be sent or delivered to the designated departments/graduate institutes before the deadline. NTU will not accept any documents or changes in the application after the deadline has elapsed.
- 2. Required Certificates or Documents
 - a. Documents required for eligibility check
 - i. Academic credentials in Chinese or English
 - Graduation certificate
 - Bachelor's degree applicants: high school (or above) graduation certificate, or documents of equivalent educational level
 - Master's degree applicants: Bachelor's degree (or above) graduation certificate, or documents of equivalent educational level
 - PhD applicants: Master's degree (or above) graduation certificate, or documents of equivalent educational level
 - Full transcript of records (including explanation of grading system)
 - Bachelor's degree applicants: Both Junior and Senior high school (or above) transcripts
 - Master's degree applicants: Bachelor's degree (or above) transcript
 - PhD applicants: Master's degree (or above) transcript
 - Note 1: Applicants graduating in the current year may not have to upload a graduation certificate for application, but they shall submit the certificate of expected graduation or the certificate of enrollment. However, they shall, upon admission, submit their academic credentials on the registration day for enrollment. Failure to do so will result in the cancellation of the admission offer.
 - Note 2: The applicant whose school does not issue the academic credentials in Chinese nor English may have the credentials translated on the condition that said translations are notarized by a ROC overseas representative office or by a registered translation agency.
 - Note 3: Admitted applicants shall have their academic credentials and translated copies (if any) verified by the ROC overseas office in their countries of study or, if there is none, by the nearest ROC representative office. The verified graduation certificate and full academic transcript of records shall be submitted on the registration day. Failure to do so will result in the cancellation of the admission offer.
 - * Students who have qualifications obtained in Hong Kong or Macau shall get the documents authenticated according to the MOE "<u>Regulations Governing</u> the Examination and Recognition of Educational Qualifications from Hong Kong and Macau".

- * Students who have qualifications obtained in Mainland China shall get the documents authenticated according to MOE "Regulations Governing the Examination and Recognition of Educational Qualifications from Mainland China".
- Note 4: If an international student's educational institution or diplomas is not recognized by the Ministry of Education, Republic of China (Taiwan), his or her admission offer shall be cancelled.
- Note 5: High school graduates whose qualifications are equivalent to Taiwan's high-school grade 5 may apply for undergraduate programs. However, admitted students shall complete at least 12 extra credits before graduation in accordance with relevant NTU rules and regulations. The 12 credits are not included in the required credits for graduation.
- Note 6: Applicants applying for Graduate School of Advanced Technology Direct-Entry Doctoral Degree Programs are required to submit their bachelor's degree transcript.
- Note 7: For those international students who plan to take the new students' entrance examinations for bachelor or master programs according to Article 7 of "Standards for Recognition of Equivalent Educational Levels for University Admission", they shall submit any related documents proving they have exceptional achievements in their professional field in accordance with Article 7. NTU accepts up to 10 international students to take new students' entrance examinations for bachelor or master programs according to Article 7 of "Standards for Recognition of Equivalent Educational Levels for University Admission."

ii. Proof of nationality

- Passport or identification card with nationality (choose one to submit, required)
- Taiwan Alien Resident Certificate (ARC) (if applicable)
- Where applicants fall under the MOE "International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan" regulation, specifically, Article 2, paragraph 2 or Article 3 (including 1. was or concurrently is a national of the ROC, 2. concurrently holding a permanent residence status of Hong Kong or Macao, 3. was a former citizen of Mainland China), the following documents are required depending on their nationality status: proof of renunciation of their ROC nationality, arrival-departure records, a declaration stating that the applicant does not have a registered domicile in Taiwan or other attesting documents.
- Note: While applying for an ROC Visa, according to Taiwan Visa Application regulation, an applicant whose country is listed under the <u>designated countries</u> list of the ROC Ministry of Foreign Affairs needs a Letter of Guarantee signed by professors from the department/graduate institute they are admitted to.

iii. Minimum language proficiency requirements

- Programs conducted in Chinese: a Chinese proficiency certificate at CEFR A2 (Waystage) or above is required (please refer to Chinese Proficiency Test Comparison Chart).

- Programs conducted in English (including programs offering sufficient English course to meet graduation requirements): an English proficiency certificate at CEFR B2 (Vantage) or above is required (please refer to English Proficiency Test Comparison Chart).
- b. Documents required by Department Committees for academic review
 - i. Language Proficiency Certificate: each department, graduate institute, or division can recommend its language proficiency requirements in designated levels. Please refer to:
 - <u>https://admissions.ntu.edu.tw/apply/international-applications/</u> >> Available Degree Programs
 - to check the specific requirements of each department/graduate institute.
- Note 1: If an international student whose Chinese or English language proficiency certificate doesn't meet the minimum language proficiency requirements or the department's/graduate institute's requirements, the department or the graduate institute committee has the right to reject admission, grant admission offer, or grant a conditional admission offer.
- Note 2: If an international student accepts the department's or the graduate institute's Chinese conditional admission offer, he or she will have to study a Chinese language program at NTU. Next, he or she shall submit a Chinese proficiency certificate at designated level or above to be accepted for enrollment. The Chinese conditional admission offer will remain valid within 1 year. If he or she doesn't fulfill the Chinese conditional requirements by the deadline, the Chinese conditional admission offer shall be cancelled.
- Note 3: If an international student accepts the department's or the graduate institute's English conditional admission offer, he or she shall submit an English proficiency certificate at designated level or above to be accepted for enrollment. The English conditional admission offer will remain valid within 1 year. If he or she doesn't fulfill the English conditional requirements by the deadline, the English conditional admission offer shall be cancelled.
 - ii. Recommendation Letters: to be written in Chinese or English by applicants' professors or employers. Please log onto the online application system and fill in the recommenders' information and email addresses. Applicants shall send emails to notify the recommenders via online application system, and check whether or not they have completed the Reference Letters before the deadline. The recommender may choose to fill in the online recommendation letter (recommended) or upload the scanned file of the recommendation letter.
 - Note: Applicants applying for Graduate School of Advanced Technology Direct-Entry Doctoral Degree Programs are required to submit recommendation letters from two professors (assistant professors or above).
 - iii. If the department/graduate institute requires additional documents, please submit them in accordance with the department/graduate institute regulations.
- c. Other required documents
 - i. Photograph: a close-up color shot of the head and shoulders (no hats) within the last 6 months. Please upload in JPG format.

- ii. Payment receipt of application fee.
- iii. Declaration and Authorization Form: This is automatically generated by the system upon completion of the online application. Please print out, sign and upload the signed copy back to the system.
- iv. Financial statement: Applicants are required to prove that they can finance their education and living expenses for studying in Taiwan.
 - A scholarship awardee shall provide proof of scholarship, and he or she shall also submit a bank statement showing at least NTD100,000 (USD4,000).
 - Self-supporting students shall provide a bank statement showing at least NTD 200,000 (USD 8,000) in savings deposit. If unavailable to provide proof of scholarship, a bank statement will be required.
 - Applicants who have been granted scholarships or assistantships by NTU professors or departments/graduate institutes may submit relevant proofs instead of a bank statement.
- Note 1: If the bank account is not under the applicant's name or does not have sufficient funds, a signed statement from the account holder is also required, stating the holder's relationship with the applicant and guaranteeing to cover the applicant's expenses in Taiwan. A template of the guarantee of financial support is available for download in the system.
- Note 2: If the currency of the bank statement is in neither NT dollars nor US dollars, applicants themselves shall convert the total amount and write down the exchange rate on the bank statement.
 - v. Other materials that support the student's application.

D. Submitting the application

- 1. Applicants must complete all the following steps in order to select "Submit":
 - a. Fill in the application Form
 - b. Select departments and pay application fees
 - c. Finish the recommendation letters online (according to the department requirement)
 - d. Upload all the required documents
- 2. If applicants fail to upload the documents onto the system before the deadline, or if they instead deliver the documents in person or by post, their applications will not be accepted.
- 3. After completing all application procedures, applicants could download a confirmation letter generated by the system for their own reference.

VI. Tuition Fees

Please refer to the <u>Degree Program Tuition Fees</u> regarding tuition fees for international students.

VII. Scholarships

NTU provides a variety of scholarships for international degree students. Applicants will be asked whether to apply for NTU scholarships during the online degree application. No extra documents are needed. Please note that Taiwan Scholarship awardees are not allowed to

apply for NTU scholarships. For more details about scholarships, please refer to the OIA website Scholarships for Prospective Students.

VIII. Application Results

- A. Applicants can log onto OIA's online application system to check the results during the designated period of time. All successful applicants shall confirm their acceptance online before the deadline. Failure to do so will be deemed as a rejection of the admission offer. While waitlisted applicants who fail to do so will be regarded as giving up their place on the waiting list.
- B. Applicants who are admitted to or placed on the waiting list of various departments, may list their order of preference during the acceptance confirmation. Once submitted, applicants may not, for whichever reason, request to change the order. NTU will thus proceed with the distribution according to the remaining quota left for each department, and after which, applicants may log onto the online system to check final results.
- C. First round applicants may find their results indicating "Postponed." Such applicants can check their application results via the second round application system on the release day of the sound round application.
- D. For any appeals to the admission result, applicants may submit a written statement to Office of International Affairs within 14 days after the announcement of the admissions results. Office of International Affairs should provide a formal response within one month of receiving the complaint, and should form a task force for impartial investigation if necessary. If students are unsatisfied with the outcome of the appeal to Office of International Affairs, they may seek an administrative remedy in accordance with the law.

IX. Important Dates for Application (Taiwan Standard Time: GMT+8)

2024/2025 September Entry—the First Round Application	
October 6, 2023, 11am	Online application period starts.
December 4, 2023, 4pm	Deadline for submitting the online application.
	Deadline for receiving application documents by post if requested by the department.
February 2, 2024, 4pm	All applicants can check application results online (scholarship results included).
February 16, 2024, 4pm	Deadline for admitted students to confirm their acceptance.
February 22, 2024, 4pm	Waitlisted applicants can check their final results online.

2024/2025 September Entry—the Second Round Application	
December 18, 2023, 11am	Online application period starts.
February 19, 2024, 4pm	Deadline for submitting the online application.
	Deadline for receiving application documents by post if requested by the department.
April 19, 2024, 4pm	All applicants can check application results online (scholarship results included).
April 26, 2024, 4pm	Deadline for admitted students to confirm their acceptance.
May 3, 2024, 4pm	Waitlisted applicants can check their final results online.