

Research Scholar Program at the National Taiwan University of Science and Technology (NTUST)

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I. Eligibility Requirements:

The applicant must be an international doctoral alumnus from NTUST who presently holds either a teaching position in a public or private university approved by foreign governments, or a research position in an academic organization. **The fresh graduate international students are not eligible to apply.**

II. Research Duration:

1. At least 15 days.
2. 30 days.
3. 31 to 90 days.

III. Evaluation Criteria:

1. First-time application: Two of the applicant's articles should have been published or accepted by SCI/SSCI journals. The applicant should be the first author of the articles or the first author excluding his or her advisor at NTUST, in which case the advisor should be the co-author.
2. Second-time application: Two of the applicant's articles, excluding the ones presented in the previous application(s), should have been published or accepted by SCI/SSCI journals within the last five years. The applicant should be the first author of the articles or the first author excluding his or her advisor at NTUST, in which case the advisor should be the co-author. The institutional affiliation listed in the articles should be the applicant's current place of employment overseas.

IV. Benefits Included in Research Grants:

1. Round-trip airline tickets (limited to economy class). Asia: up to 25,000 NTD; Americas, Africa, Oceania: up to 45,000 NTD; Europe: up to 55,000 NTD. Costs exceeding these amounts should be covered by the applicant.
2. Stipend (including accommodation): 15 days: 7,500 NTD; 30 days: 15,000 NTD; 31 to 90 days: The exact amount of the stipend being granted will be calculated according to the applicant's actual days of research at NTUST. The amount of the stipend will be approved year by year.
3. Accommodation: **Applicants are eligible to apply for on-campus accommodation in student dormitories or International House, provided that their research period falls within the summer vacation**

and that there are rooms available. The room rate will be charged according to the room admitted.

V. Application Period:

1. On-campus housing is only available in July and August. Applicants must apply in advance so that accommodation can be arranged.
2. For those who do not require on-campus accommodation: submissions are accepted year round, and the evaluation process is initiated upon receipt of the application.

VI. Applicants should provide the following documents to their academic adviser(s) at NTUST so that the documents to be submitted to the Office of International Affairs for evaluation:

1. A completed application form
2. Required application materials and documentation

VII. Procedure for Grant Allocation:

1. Airfare: Grant recipients should submit by mail the proof of purchase for their return tickets, a photocopy of the electronic tickets and both original boarding passes, within one month of their return to their home country.
2. Monthly stipend: Applicants should submit both the report-for-duty form and the departure form as proof for the exact amount of stipend to be calculated and disbursed.

VIII. These guidelines go into effect upon approval by the Administrative Council. The same is true of any revisions.