

National Taiwan Normal University Regulations for Individual Admission of Overseas
Chinese, Hong Kong, and Macao Students

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Article 1 These admissions regulations are based on relevant rulings such as item 1 of Article 6 in *Regulations Regarding Study and Counseling Assistance for Overseas Chinese Students in Taiwan*, Article 8 of *Regulations Regarding Studying in Taiwan for Residents of Hong Kong and Macao*, *Guidelines for Individual University Admission of Overseas Chinese Students*, and *Guidelines for Individual University Admission of Hong Kong and Macao Students*.

Article 2 For the purpose of overseeing this admission process, the University shall handle in a fair, impartial, and transparent manner all procedures related to the admission applications of overseas Chinese, Hong Kong, and Macao students as well as providing key points in related operations. Each department and degree program shall form its own admissions committee (or selection committee) prior to the admission application period. The admission process shall be determined by each department and degree program.

Article 3 (I) The term "overseas Chinese students" as mentioned in these

Regulations refers to students of Chinese descent who were born abroad and have consecutively resided there up to now, or who have in recent years consecutively resided abroad for six years or more and have obtained official permanent or long-term residence in that country or region and are now returning to Taiwan to study.

(II) The term "Hong Kong and Macao students" as mentioned in these Regulations refers to residents of Hong Kong or Macao who have obtained official permanent residence in Hong Kong or Macao and in recent years have consecutively resided overseas for six years or more; and who do not hold a foreign passport in accordance with Article 4 of *Laws and Regulations Regarding Hong Kong & Macao Affairs*. Those meeting the above conditions may apply to study in Taiwan in accordance with these Regulations.

(III) The term "abroad" mentioned in item 1 refers to countries or regions other than Mainland China, Hong Kong, and Macau. The term "overseas" mentioned in item 2 refers to countries or regions that are not part of Taiwan.

(IV) Verification of consecutive residence abroad as mentioned in item 1 shall be conducted in accordance with Articles 3 and 4 of *Regulations Regarding Study and Counseling Assistance for Overseas Chinese Students in Taiwan*. Verification of consecutive residence overseas as mentioned in item 2 shall be conducted in accordance with Articles 3 and 4 of *Regulations Regarding Studying in Taiwan for Residents of Hong Kong and Macao*. Verification of the identity of overseas Chinese students shall be handled by the appropriate authorities for overseas community affairs; verification of the identity of Hong Kong and Macao students shall be handled by the Ministry of Education.

(V) If an overseas Chinese student, after arriving through counseling assistance to study in Taiwan, is withdrawn from school or loses his/her student status while being in Taiwan for less than two years, then he/she may apply again to study in Taiwan; reapplication is allowed one time only. However, overseas Chinese students may not apply for admission in accordance with these Regulations if they were expelled from school due to poor conduct, failed academic performance, or serious violation of the law or school rules; if a Hong Kong or Macao student, after arriving to study in Taiwan, voluntarily withdraws from school and has been in Taiwan for less than two years,

then he/she may reapply to study in Taiwan; reapplication is allowed one time only. However, students may not apply for admission in accordance with these Regulations if they have a record of poor conduct, failed academic performance, or been expelled from school due to conviction in a criminal case.

(VI) These Regulations do not apply to overseas Chinese students who graduated from unregistered Chinese independent high schools in Myanmar and Northern Thailand, those already enrolled in high schools in Taiwan, those who did not complete their first undergraduate year in a Taiwanese university, and overseas Chinese or Hong Kong and Macao students who completed their studies at the Academy of Preparatory Programs for Overseas Chinese Students at National Taiwan Normal University.

(VII) Students of Chinese descent with foreign citizenship, permanent resident status in Hong Kong or Macau, who have never held household registration in Taiwan, and in recent years consecutively resided in Hong Kong, Macau, or abroad for six years or more may apply for admission to universities in accordance with these Regulations prior to the implementation of relevant legal amendments.

- Article 4
- (I) The actual enrollment number of overseas Chinese students as well as Hong Kong and Macao students shall be set at these students' approved enrollment quota in the previous academic year plus an additional 10% of said quota. If the number of admission applications of overseas Chinese students as well as Hong Kong and Macao students exceeds the approved enrollment quota for the previous academic year plus an additional 10% of said quota, a plan to accommodate this increase shall be submitted (including quality control strategies and support measures) to the Ministry of Education for approval.
- (II) If domestic student enrollment falls below the expected number based on the previous academic year, then the University may fill this deficit by raising the quota of overseas Chinese students as well as Hong Kong and Macao students.

- Article 5
- Admission details of the department(s) and degree program(s) for application procedure, eligibility, selection items, enrollment quota,

length of study, score criteria, selection method, acceptance process, score order, grade audit, registration procedure, supplementary requirement, due process of admission appeal, and other related regulations shall be clearly listed in the prospectus and announced no later than 20 days prior to the registration date.

Article 6 The admission eligibility for overseas Chinese students as well as Hong Kong and Macao students is as follows:

1. Anyone who has graduated from high school (including new graduates) or has the equivalent academic ability may apply for admission as an undergraduate at the University; anyone who has obtained a master's degree (including new graduates) or has the equivalent academic ability may apply for admission to a doctoral program at the University.
2. Candidates with the equivalent academic ability shall meet the required standards demonstrating equivalent academic ability for university admittance as set by the Ministry of Education.
3. Candidates with overseas academic qualification shall follow the University's procedure for the official certification of overseas academic qualification; verification of academic qualification from Mainland China is determined by official regulations in Mainland China while verification of academic qualification from Hong Kong and Macao are determined by official examinations and regulations in Hong Kong and Macao.

Article 7 (I) Those who are eligible for admission under the preceding Article shall submit the following documents during the designated period:

1. Application form for admission.
2. Proof of academic qualification and transcripts:

Those who are qualified to apply for admission as overseas Chinese students shall apply in accordance with the second condition under item 1 of Article 6 in *Regulations Regarding Study and Counseling Assistance for Overseas Chinese Students in Taiwan*; those who are qualified to apply for admission as Hong Kong or Macao students shall apply in accordance with the second condition under item 2 of Article 7 in *Regulations Regarding Studying in Taiwan for Residents of Hong Kong and Macao*.

3. Proof of the required identity status as mentioned in Article 3, such

as documents showing permanent or long-term residence for overseas Chinese, Hong Kong, and Macao passports or permanent residence documents, and original documents showing consecutive residence in Hong Kong, Macao, or another region abroad.

4. The admission prospectus shall specify the required documents for submission and the application fee.

(II) Any forgery, falsification, or alteration in a submitted document will cause admission to be revoked; if the student has already been registered, his/her registration will be revoked and the student will not be given any related academic certification; if the offense is discovered after program completion, the University will revoke the student's graduation status and void the student's diploma.

Article 8 Candidates should submit all required information in accordance with the admission prospectus. After the University has verified the submitted information, the appropriate authorities for overseas community affairs will be notified by mail regarding the overseas Chinese students to verify their identity; the Ministry of Education will be notified by mail regarding the Hong Kong and Macao students to verify their identity.

Article 9 (I) The Admissions Committee (or Selection Committee) of each department and degree program will calculate scores for each candidate via a written assessment form, then evaluate the selection result and determine the minimum admission standard prior to releasing the admission list. Candidates who meet the minimum admission standard and are within the enrollment quota shall be given official acceptance, while the remaining students who are not accepted shall be placed on the waitlist. If the number of candidates who meet the admission standard is less than the enrollment quota, then the reasons produced by an evaluation shall be submitted to the University's Admissions Committee for review and under-enrollment declared without maintaining a waitlist.

(II) The admission prospectus shall clearly state that in the event of two or more students receiving the same total score as the last place in the enrollment quota for each department (or college/degree program) or if waitlisted students have the same score, the offer or replacement of an admission spot shall be handled in such a way that

the quota is not increased to accommodate more candidates with the same score.

(III) The admission list shall be confirmed by the University's Admissions Committee and then published and issued to the admitted students. If there is vacancy after the admitted students have completed registration, then the number of waitlisted students to reach the original approved enrollment quota shall be notified before the deadline stated in the admission prospectus.

(IV) The admission list as mentioned in the preceding item shall be sent to the University Entrance Committee for Overseas Chinese Students within one week of its official release; the University Entrance Committee for Overseas Chinese Students will cease the individual admission process for students who have already been accepted.

(V) Overseas Chinese students and Hong Kong/Macao students are not allowed to apply for admission in accordance with these Regulations to advanced bachelor-level courses, master's in-service courses, and other evening or weekend classes offered by the University for the purpose of recurrent education. However, degree courses offered by the University in cooperation with a foreign university and which have been approved by the Ministry of Education are exempt from this restriction.

Article 10 The admission list shall be released at the end of December each year. Students on the admission list who have completed registration are prohibited from applying again through the University Entrance Committee for Overseas Chinese Students for the same academic year. Failure to comply will cause the student's acceptance to be revoked.

Article 11 Overseas Chinese students and Hong Kong/Macau students are required to handle all matters regarding retaining their enrollment status, school transfer, department transfer, school suspension, school withdrawal, and other academic and life counseling assessments, etc. in accordance with the University's academic rules and relevant laws and regulations.

Article 12 (I) Acting exam proctors shall perform each of their examination

responsibilities with due diligence and uphold the principle of confidentiality. For example, an exam proctor should voluntarily recuse himself or herself from overseeing an examination for which a relative within three generations is registered.

(II) All scores of examinations as related to the application shall be stored for one year. However, if an appeal is filed in accordance with regulations, the exam score(s) shall be stored until the end of the appeal process or the conclusion of the administrative remedy process.

- Article 13 (I) If an applicant has doubts about the examination results, he/she should submit to the University's Admissions Committee within 15 days of the result's release a written statement containing specific details and providing supporting information:
1. Name, gender, exam group ID, address, phone number, date of appeal.
 2. Clearly stated reasons for doubts and supporting information.
- (II) Regarding doubts raised concerning exam score(s), the responsible administrative unit or admissions committee shall make deliberations and respond to the applicant within one month. If necessary, a separate team will be formed to conduct an impartial investigation. If the applicant is not satisfied with the results of the Admissions Committee's handling of the appeal, he/she may file again for administrative litigation in accordance with regulations.

- Article 14 Any matters that fall outside the purview of these Regulations shall be handled in accordance with *Regulations Regarding Study and Counseling Assistance for Overseas Chinese Students in Taiwan*, *Regulations Regarding Studying in Taiwan for Residents of Hong Kong and Macao*, and the University's relevant academic rules and regulations.

- Article 15 These Regulations have been authorized by the Admissions Committee and submitted to the Ministry of Education for approval; implementation will follow the same process as above upon amendment.