



Tzu Chi University

Admission Instructions
for
International Students
(Fall, 2015)



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2015 Fall Semester Application Timetable

Events	Date	Notes
Application deadline	March 01, 2015	
Notification of admission	April 09, 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ For departments not requiring an interview
Notification of departmental interview & examination	April 09, 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Medicine ■ Post-Baccalaureate Chinese Medicine
Departmental interview & examination	May 26, 2015	
Notification of admission	June 08, 2015	
Confirmation of intention to attend TCU	Before June 19, 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✘ Need to attach the academic relevant documents certified by overseas Taiwan government representative office.
TCU Mailing out registration documents	August, 2015	
Beginning of the semester	September, 2015	



Important Notices

1. Applicants with foreign nationality who intend to enroll at TCU as international students must never be expelled from any university in Taiwan. For those who have obtained the college degrees in Taiwan and intend to pursue a higher degree, will be treated as domestic students. See the link below for more details on the Articles of International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan: <http://law.moj.gov.tw/Eng/LawClass/LawAll.aspx?PCode=H0110001>.
2. All applicants, with the exception of "International Biomedical Graduate Program (IBGP)" applicants, should be proficient in Chinese, including listening, speaking, reading and writing. You may be requested to take Chinese lessons at your own expense at the Center for Language Studies of TCU if you cannot keep up with the class, and your admission status will be extended for one more year.
3. Program Duration:
 - A. PHD program 2~7 years; Master programs: 1~4 years; Post-Baccalaureate Chinese Medicine Study: 5~7 years. Undergraduate programs: 4~6 years;
 - B. TCU has a minimum requirement in English and Chinese proficiency for all undergraduate students. Depending on the departments, students are required to pass intermediate level tests or other equivalent tests before graduate.
4. Fees and Expenses:
 - A. Tuition and Fees: The tuition fees for international students are the same as those for domestic students. Please access Accounting Office website for details at <http://www.account.tcu.edu.tw/Userdata/File/103-schooling.htm>
 - B. Health Insurance: International students are required to submit a proof of at-least-six-month health insurance coverage when entering Taiwan. If you are not insured, OIA can assist you in acquiring the necessary health insurance coverage in Taiwan.
 - C. Housing: Students may apply for campus housing through the Office of Student Affairs. Telephone: +886-3-8565301 ext. 1202~1203.
5. Other issues not covered above shall be resolved by the Admission Committee according to the rules and regulations.



Tzu Chi University

Admission Guidelines for International Students

2015 Fall Semester

The admission guidelines are based on the Articles of International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan: <http://law.moj.gov.tw/Eng/LawClass/LawAll.aspx?PCode=H0110001>

1. Applicants are eligible to apply as international students if they meet all of the following requirements:
 - A. Are **not** R.O.C. citizens
 - B. Are **not** applying as overseas Chinese
 - C. Are **not** Taiwanese high school graduates
 - D. Have **never** been expelled from other academic institutions in Taiwan
 - E. Were formerly R.O.C. citizens, but the R.O.C. nationality has been renounced for over 8 years (must submit proof from the Ministry of Interior on the loss of R.O.C. citizenship for at least 8 years)

2. According to Article 2 of Taiwan Nationality Act, the following individuals are R.O.C. nationals:
 - A. Whose father or mother was, at the time of his/her birth, a citizen of R.O.C.;
 - B. A person was born after the death of his/her father or mother who was, at the time of his/her death, a citizen of R.O.C.;
 - C. A person was born in the territory of R.O.C. and whose parents are unknown or without nationality;
 - D. A naturalized R.O.C. citizen.

3. Academic Requirements
 - A. International students with a high school diploma are eligible to apply for undergraduate programs; a Bachelor degree for Master programs; and a Master degree for PhD programs.
 - B. Academic credentials must be accorded with the Regulations of International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan.
 - a. Academic credentials from Mainland China:
The Regulations Governing the Accreditation of School in Mainland China shall apply.
 - b. Academic credentials from Hong Kong or Macau:
Academic Credential Verification and Accreditation Methods adopted in Hong Kong and Macau shall apply.
 - c. Academic credentials from other areas:
Academic credentials earned at overseas Taiwanese schools or Taiwanese schools in Mainland China shall be regarded as the same as those at domestic schools with equivalent levels.

4. Admission Quota:

Admission Program	International Students Quota
Undergraduate	79
Master	72
PHD	9

5. There is **NO** application fee.

6. Admission Instructions: can be downloaded from the OIA website at <http://www.oia.tcu.edu.tw/> .

7. **Application deadline: March 01, 2015**

8. Application requirements:

A. Applicants can submit the documents in person, by mail or by e-mail to oia@gms.tcu.edu.tw

B. Mailing address:

Attention: The Office of International Affairs, Tzu Chi University

Address: No. 701, Zhongyang Road Section 3, Hualien 97004, Taiwan

Tel: +886-3-8565301 ext.1015-1017

C. One complete set of application documents is for ONE Department ONLY. Applicants can apply no more than three departments.

D. Documents to be submitted:

No.	Required Documents
1	Check List 〈 Attachment 1 〉
2	Completed application form 〈 Attachment 2 〉
3	The certificate of nationality (passport, residence certificate or birth certificate)
4	Documents issued by Ministry of Interior indicating that the person concerned has given up R.O.C. nationality for at least 8 years. (Applicants who once had R.O.C. nationality and have household registration in Taiwan and now hold foreign nationality)
5	A copy of parental certificate of nationality (passport, residence certificate or birth certificate)
6	A copy of financial statement issued by bank
7 ※	A copy of certificate of enrollment or degree diploma. If the diploma is not in Chinese or English, a translated copy in Chinese or English is required. ※Certificate of enrollment can be used to indicate applicants' status at the application period. Verified degree diploma is required for registration.
8 ※	A copy of official transcript of academic records in English or Chinese. If the official transcript of academic records is not in Chinese or English, applicants need to attach a translated copy in Chinese or English.
9	Other requirements by individual department.
10	Full English Master and PhD Graduate Program Scholarship Application Form (for International Biomedical Graduate Program applicants only) 〈 Attachment 3 〉
11	International Student Scholarship Application Form 〈 Attachment 4 〉
12	Declaration Form 〈 Attachment 5 〉

※Copies of official transcript of academic records, degree diploma or certificate of enrollment need to be verified by responsible overseas Taiwan government representative offices. The said documents need to be proposed along with the Confirmation of intentions to attend TCU. If TCU does not receive above said document in time, the admission eligibility will be revoked and substituted by waiting list.

※※Submitted documents need to be stapled by order and mailed to TCU Office of International Affairs by March 1st, 2015. All the documents will not be returned, please keep copies of your own.

※※※TCU abides by Personal Information Protection Act. Your personal information,

such as the name, date of birth, passport number, education, occupation, address, phone number and so on, will only be used for the admission, processing of the student data, and other internal administrative needs. Without your permission or the specific circumstances required by law, we shall not disclose your information to anyone else, and we shall not use it for other purposes.

E. Admission decision:

- a. Admission decision is made by each department.
- b. The number of students admitted is set by each department.
- c. Date of departmental interview (if required): May 26, 2015
- d. Location of departmental interview (if required): department office
- e. Fall semester: Admission results will be announce on April 7 for those departments not requiring an interview; on June 8 for School of Medicine, School of Post-Baccalaureate Chinese Medicine.
- f. Applicants may access the website at <http://www.enroll.tcu.edu.tw/> for details.
- g. Applicants are required to send their confirmation of intention to attend TCU to the Office of International Affairs before June 19, 2014.

F. International Biomedical Graduate Program (IBGP):

TCU's International Biomedical Graduate Program (IBGP) offers full English courses and research projects for students pursuing PhD degrees in research fields including microbiology, immunology, biochemistry, physiology, anatomy, laboratory medicine and biotechnology, public health, life sciences, molecular biology, human genetics, cancer researches, clinical medicine, translational medicine, pharmacology and toxicology. Applicants admitted to these programs are eligible to apply for TCU Full English Graduate Program Scholarships (attachments 3), which exempts tuition and boarding fees and provide monthly stipends. Applicants who are interested in International Biomedical Graduate Program (IBGP) may apply via individual biomedical-related graduate programs. For the continuation of scholarship, master's students whom receive this scholarship will need to satisfy the requirements to study in the PhD program within a given time.

TCU Full English Graduate Program Scholarships		
Tuition and university boarding fee waived		
Monthly stipends	Master student	10,000 TWD (≈ 333.30 USD)
	PhD student (Before the candidate qualification)	15,000 TWD (≈ 500 USD)
	PhD student (After passing the candidate qualification)	15,000 ~ 25,000 TWD (≈ 500 ~ 833.30USD)

9. Admission criteria of each department

A. Undergraduates:

Department	School of Medicine
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission guidebook regulations
Documents to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography in Chinese 2. Score report of English proficiency test
Evaluation Process	<p>Qualified candidates must come to TCU to take the following exams:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mandarin Chinese language test. The result of the Chinese language test will not be included in the final score. However, the test score of prospective students must satisfy the minimum requirement of the test. 2. Written exams of Chemistry and Biology. 3. Interview for the aspects of medical suitability, aptitude, humanity and ability to communicate in Mandarin Chinese. <p>Evaluation criteria</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Written Exams: 50% 2. Interviews: 30% 3. Other documents pertinent to the application: 20%
Remarks	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Candidates should provide the results(score reports) of one of the following English proficiency test to be qualified: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) A score of at least 500 for the institutional testing program TOEFL (ITP), or 61 for the internet-based TOEFL (iBT). (2) A score of English proficiency test which meet the international standard or their governmental standard. 2. Academic qualifications: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Applicants should have high school qualifications equivalent to Taiwanese senior high school graduates (6 years high school education), or have completed pre-university studies for at least 1 year. (2) Malaysian high school graduates who wish to apply for the entrance exams are advised to have pre-university qualifications. 3. Mandarin Chinese is the language used in classes and exams in the medical school. 4. No admission will be granted if minimum requirements are not fulfilled. 5. If candidates obtained the same overall scores in the entrance exams, the admissions of the candidates will be decided by their scores in the written exams in the order of biology > chemistry.

Department	School of Post-Baccalaureate Chinese Medicine
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Documents to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copy of Bachelor degree diploma. 2. The score reports of language proficiency tests. 3. A study plan must be written in Chinese and in applicant's handwriting, include learning motivation, expected length of study, and future plan, and should be submitted along with application package.
Evaluation criteria	<p>Qualified prospective students must come to TCU to take the following exams:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chinese language exams. The Chinese language exam will not be included in the final score. 2. Chemistry and biology exams 3. Interview for medical suitability, aptitude, humanity and ability to communicate in Chinese. <p>※Evaluation criteria</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Exams: 50% 2. Interviews: 30% 3. Other documents pertinent to the application: 20%
Remarks	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Proficiency in Chinese (reading, writing, listening, and speaking) is required; the score report of Chinese proficiency test must be submitted. 2. The applicant should have the score that must be at least 457 for the institutional testing program TOEFL (ITP), or at least 47 for the internet-based TOEFL (iBT). 3. The applicant should have a bachelor degree and the certificate of Level 4 or above for the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL), or equivalent certificate. 4. Chinese is used in classes and exams. 5. No admission will be granted if the minimum requirements are not met. 6. Prospective students with the same overall scores will be admitted according to the exam scores in biology. <p>※Transfer of Credits: The applicant, who has graduated from the Department of Medicine of any overseas university which is approved by the Ministry of Education in Taiwan and possesses a doctor's license in that country, may apply to be exempted from the Western Medicine curriculum. Credits attained prior to admission must be submitted with the application and further evaluated by the departmental committee before the transfer of credits. Transfer of credits from other universities shall be preceded according to the credit-transfer regulations of TCU.</p>

Department	Department of Laboratory Medicine and Biotechnology
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission guidebook regulations
Documents to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography in Chinese 2. High school transcripts 3. The score reports of language proficiency tests
Evaluation criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The score of English proficiency test: 30% (for the student from a non-English speaking country) or the score of Chinese proficiency test: 30% (for the student from an English-speaking country) 2. Other documents pertinent to the application: 70%
Remarks	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Proficiency in Chinese (reading, writing, listening, and speaking) is required, the score report of Chinese proficiency test must be submitted, and the test scores must meet the international standard or their governmental standard. 2. For prospective students from non-English speaking countries, the score report of English proficiency test taken within two years must also meet the international standard or their governmental standard.

Department	Department of Public Health
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Documents to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography in English 2. The score report of Chinese proficiency test taken within two years. The test must meet the international standard or their governmental standard. 3. For prospective students from non-English speaking countries, the score report of English proficiency test taken within two years. The test must meet the international standard or their governmental standard.
Evaluation criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The score of Chinese proficiency test: 50% 2. Other documents pertinent to the application, including the score of English proficiency test: 50%

Department	Department of Nursing
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission guidebook regulations
Documents to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography in Chinese and English 2. The score report of Chinese proficiency test taken within two years must meet the international standard or their governmental standard. 3. For prospective students from non-English speaking countries, the score report of English proficiency test taken within two years must meet the international standard or their governmental standard. 4. Proofs of commitment to student bodies, community service, and other extracurricular activities
Evaluation criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The score of Chinese proficiency test: 40% 2. The score of English proficiency test: 30% 3. Other documents pertinent to the application: 30%

Department	Division of Medical Information Technology, Department of Medical Informatics
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Documents to be submitted	International certificate of Chinese proficiency ※TOCFL (Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language) Level 3 or CEFR B1 equivalent certificate.
Evaluation criteria	1. Chinese proficiency certificate: 40% 2. Documents pertinent to the application: 60%

Department	Division of Bioinformatics, Department of Medical Informatics
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Documents to be submitted	International certificate of Chinese proficiency ※TOCFL (Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language) Level 3 or CEFR B1 equivalent certificate.
Evaluation criteria	1. Chinese proficiency certificate : 40% 2. Documents pertinent to the application: 60%

Department	Department of Physical Therapy
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission guidebook regulations
Documents to be submitted	Documents required for consideration of admission include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography in Chinese and English 2. The score report of Chinese proficiency test taken within two years must meet the international standard or their governmental standard. 3. The score report of TOEFL or another English proficiency test taken within two years must meet the international standard or their governmental standard. 4. One letters of recommendation 5. High school transcript
Evaluation criteria	1. Test score of the Chinese proficiency test: 30% 2. Test score of the English proficiency test: 30% 3. Letters of recommendation and high school grade point average (GPA): 40%

Department	Department of Life Sciences
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Documents to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography in Chinese and English 2. The score report of Chinese proficiency test taken within two years must meet the international standard or their governmental standard. ✘TOCFL (Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language) Level 2 or CEFR A2 equivalent certificate. 3. The score report of English proficiency test, e.g. TOEFL, taken within two years. ✘BULATS ALTE Level 2 or CEFR B1 equivalent certificate. 4. Two letters of Recommendation
Evaluation criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Test score of the Chinese proficiency test: 30% 2. Test score of the English proficiency test: 30% 3. Letters of recommendation and high school grade point average (GPA): 40%

Department	Department of Molecular Biology and Human Genetics
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Documents to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography in Chinese or English 2. Two letters of recommendation and Senior high school transcript
Evaluation criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Senior high school transcript (60%) 2. Recommendation letters (20%) 3. Autobiography in Chinese or English (20%)

Department	Department of Human Development
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Document to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An autobiographical summary (in English or Chinese) 2. Two letters of recommendation 3. Evidence of Chinese ability 4. Other documents related to admission (including proof of extracurricular activities)
Evaluation criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. High school grades: 50% 2. Autobiographical summary: 20% (including educational experience and other extracurricular activities) 3. Two letters of recommendation: 20% 4. Evidence of Chinese ability (exam test results or other evidence/description): 10%
Remarks	The admitted students might be requested to take Chinese lessons at the Center for Language Studies, Tzu Chi University, at their own expense.

Department	Department of Social Work
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission guidebook regulations
Document to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The certificate in volunteering. 2. The certificate of service for serving the student association or community. 3. The score report of Chinese proficiency test taken within two years must meet the international standard or their governmental standard.
Evaluation criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The score of Chinese proficiency test 2. Volunteer experiences of serving the student association 3. Other information which could be beneficial for the prospective student
Remarks	The department reserves the right to request the admitted student to take Chinese courses at the Center for Language Studies of Tzu Chi University, if the review committee believes it is in the best interest of the student.

Department	Department of English Language and Literature
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Documents to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography in Chinese and English 2. Two letters of recommendation 3. Study plan in Chinese and English
Evaluation criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grades in high school: 60% 2. Study plan in Chinese and English: 20% 3. Autobiography in Chinese and English: 10% 4. Recommendation letters: 10%

Department	Department of Oriental Languages and Literature	
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations	
Documents to be submitted	A. Chinese Division <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography in Chinese 2. Two letters of recommendation, works or essays in Chinese, honors and awards 	B. Japanese Division <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography in Chinese 2. Two letters of recommendation, works or essays in Chinese, honors and awards
Evaluation criteria	A. Chinese Division <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grades in high school: 50% 2. Autobiography in Chinese: 20% 3. Two letters of recommendation, and works or essays or awards: 30% 	B. Japanese Division <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grades in high school: 50% 2. Autobiography in Chinese: 20% 3. Two letters of recommendation, and works or essays or awards: 30%

Department	Department of Communication Studies
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Documents to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Study plan and autobiography in English and Chinese 2. The score report of Chinese proficiency test 3. Two letters of recommendation or other evidence of qualification
Evaluation criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grades in high school 40% 2. Study plan and autobiography 30% 3. Recommendation or other evidence 30%

Department	Department of Child Development and Family Studies
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Documents to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Study plan in English and Chinese 2. Autobiography in English and Chinese (including education, extracurricular activities and other favorable experiences) 3. The score report of Chinese proficiency test taken within two years must meet the international standard or their governmental standard. 4. Grades in High school 5. Two letters of recommendation
Evaluation criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Grades in high school: 50% 2. Study plan in English and Chinese: 15% 3. Autobiography in English and Chinese (including education, extracurricular activities and other favorable experiences): 15% 4. A recommendation letter and other favorable documents: 20%

B. Graduate Schools:

Department	Ph.D. program, Institute of Medical Sciences
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission guidebook regulations
Documents to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography 2. Transcripts and/or GPA 3. Study plan 4. Two letters of recommendation 5. Score of TOEFL
Evaluation criteria	Means of screening is mainly based on application material review. The Admission Committee will contact applicants if an interview is required.
Remarks	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Proficiency in English : For students from a non-English Speaking country, their TOEFL score should be at least 500 for PBT, 173 for CBT, or 61 for iBT. If submitting TOEIC score, it should be at least 650. (This is exempted for the students from English speaking countries) 2. Course prerequisite: General Biology and one of the following courses : Molecular Biology, Biochemistry or Chemistry. 3. Full English courses of International Biomedical Graduate Program (IBGP) are available.

Department	PhD program in Pharmacology and Toxicology, School of Medicine
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission guidebook regulations
Documents to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography and research proposal 2. Any other documents pertinent to the application
Evaluation criteria	To be determined by the Admission Committee
Remarks	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The score report of English proficiency test must meet the international standard or governmental standard, which is equal to TOEFL: ≥500(PBT), ≥61 (iBT). This is exempted for the students from English speaking countries. 2. Have taken biology related subjects. 3. Full English courses of International Biomedical Graduate Program (IBGP) are available.

Department	Master program in Microbiology and Immunology, School of Medicine
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Document to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography including study plan 2. Transcripts and/or GPA 3. For the students from non-English speaking country, the score report of English proficiency test taken within two years must meet the international standard or their governmental standard, which is equal to TOEFL (PBT) \geq 457 or TOEFL (IBT) \geq 47, or CERF B1 equivalent certificate.
Evaluation criteria	To be determined by the Admission Committee
Remarks	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The prerequisite for qualifications includes biology, biochemistry, or molecular biology of college level. 2. Full English courses of International Biomedical Graduate Program (IBGP) are available.

Department	Master program, Physiological and Anatomical Medicine, School of Medicine
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Document to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography 2. Research plan 3. Other supporting documents that will be helpful in the evaluation process.
Evaluation criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Telephone interview: 35% 2. The score of English proficiency test: 30% 3. Other evidence of qualification : 35%
Remarks	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. International students, who majored in biological sciences and graduated from a college or university approved by the Ministry of Education of the R.O.C., are eligible to apply for admission. 2. Applicants must have taken biology related subjects or courses. 3. Full English courses of International Biomedical Graduate Program (IBGP) are available.

Department	Master program, Pharmacology and Toxicology, School of Medicine
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Documents to be submitted	1. Autobiography and research proposal 2. Any other documents pertinent to the application
Evaluation criteria	To be determined by the Admission Committee
Remarks	1. The score report of English proficiency test must meet the international standard or governmental standard, which is equal to TOEFL: ≥ 500 (PBT), ≥ 61 (iBT). This is exempted for the students from English speaking countries. 2. Have taken biology related subjects. 3. Full English courses of International Biomedical Graduate Program (IBGP) are available.

Department	Master program, Department of Nursing
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission guidebook regulations
Documents to be submitted	1. Autobiography in Chinese and English 2. The score report of Chinese proficiency test taken within two years must meet the international standard or their governmental standard 3. The score report of English proficiency test taken within two years must meet the international standard or their governmental standard 4. Copy of RN license issued by the country of residence 5. Work experience letter/certificate
Evaluation criteria	1. The score of Chinese proficiency test: 40% 2. The score of English proficiency test: 30% 3. Other documents (including years of service recognition letter, special achievements and awards) pertinent to the application: 30%
Remarks	1. Bachelor degree of science in nursing. 2. More than one year of nursing work experience

Department	Master program, Institute of Medical Biotechnology
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Documents to be submitted	Other supporting documents that will be helpful in the evaluation process, e.g. laboratory experience.
Evaluation criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The score of English proficiency test: 30% (for the students from a non-English speaking country) 2. Other documents pertinent to the application: 70%
Remarks	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For the students from a non-English speaking country, the score report of English proficiency test taken within two years must meet the international standard or their governmental standard. 2. Full English courses of International Biomedical Graduate Program (IBGP) are available.

Department	Master Program in Public Health, Department of Public Health
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Documents to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography in English 2. The score report of Chinese proficiency test taken within two years must meet the international standard or his/her governmental standard. 3. For each prospective student from a non-English speaking country, the score report of English proficiency test taken within two years must meet the international standard or his/her governmental standard.
Evaluation criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The score of Chinese proficiency test: 50% 2. Other documents pertinent to the application (including the score of English proficiency test, if applicable): 50%
Remarks	Full English courses of International Biomedical Graduate Program (IBGP) are available.

Department	Master program, Department of Medical Informatics
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Document to be submitted	Official certificate of Chinese proficiency ✳️TOCFL (Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language) Level 3 or CEFR B1 equivalent certificate.
Evaluation criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The score of Chinese proficiency certificate: 40% 2. Documents pertinent to the application: 60%
Remarks	Full English courses of International Biomedical Graduate Program (IBGP) are available.

Department	Master program, Department of Molecular Biology and Human Genetics
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Documents to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography in Chinese or English 2. Undergraduate GPA 3. Two letters of recommendation
Evaluation criteria	<p>A committee appointed by the department chair will review the qualification of applicants.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Undergraduate GPA (60%) ■ Recommendation letters (20%) ■ Autobiography in Chinese or English (20%)
Remarks	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Course prerequisite: General Biology, Biochemistry 2. Full English courses of International Biomedical Graduate program (IBGP) are available.

Department	Master program, Department of Life Sciences
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Documents to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Two letters of recommendation 2. Test score of proficiency in Chinese 3. Score of TOEFL
Evaluation process	<p>Evaluation Criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Undergraduate GPA, recommendation letters, and test score of proficiency in Chinese : 70% 2. TOEFL: 30%
Remarks	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Proficiency in Chinese. ※TOCFL (Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language) Level 2 or CEFR A2 equivalent certificate. 2. For prospective students from countries not using English as the official language, their TOEFL score should be at least 500 for PBT, 173 for CBT, or 61 for iBT. If submitting TOEIC score, it should be at least 650. 3. Full English courses of International Biomedical Graduate program (IBGP) are available. ※BULATS ALTE Level 2 or CEFR B1 equivalent certificate.

Department	Master program, Applied Anthropology or Clinical Psychology, Department of Human Development	
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations	
Division	Applied Anthropology	Clinical Psychology
Documents to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Study plan (in English or Chinese) 2. An autobiographical summary (in English or Chinese) (including evidence of Chinese ability, exam test results or other evidence/description) 3. Two letters of recommendation 4. Other documents related to admission (e.g. certificate of workshop attendances or proof of research experience) 	
Evaluation criteria	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. College grades: 50% 2. Study plan: 30% 3. Autobiographical summary: 20% (including evidence of Chinese ability, educational experience and other extracurricular activities) 	
Remarks	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The division of clinical psychology focuses on clinical psychology, yet interests in other fields of psychology are welcome as well. 2. Full English courses of International Biomedical Graduate program (IBGP) are available. 	

Department	Master program, Department of Social Work	
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations	
Documents to be Submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Study proposal 2. Resume 3. Two letters of recommendation 4. The score reports of language tests taken within two years 5. The proof of working experience, certificate in volunteering, or experience of participating in social services and other information which could be beneficial to the applicants 	
Evaluation criteria	To be determined by the Admission Committee	
Remarks	The department reserves the right to request the student to take Chinese courses at the Center for Language Studies of Tzu Chi University if the review committee believes it is in the best interest of the student.	

Department	Master program, Department of Oriental Language and Literature
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Documents to be submitted	The selection is mainly based on the submitted information including 1. Autobiography in Chinese 2. Study plan in Chinese or Japanese 3. Copy of undergraduate diploma 4. Score report of Chinese (TOCFL level 3) or Japanese (JLPT N3) proficiency test 5. Other favorable documents
Evaluation criteria	To be determined by the Admission Committee
Remarks	1. Prospective students must have Chinese proficiency in all respects (listening, speaking, reading and writing), and submit the score reports of Chinese, Japanese or English proficiency tests which must meet the international standard or their governmental standard. ✳Chinese proficiency: At least TOCFL (Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language) Level 3 or CEFR B1 equivalent certificate. ✳Japanese proficiency: Prospective applicants not from Japan need to propose the JLPT N3 certificate. 2. More information is on the website of the Department of Oriental Languages and Literature: http://www.ol.tcu.edu.tw

Department	Master program, Institute of Religion and Humanity
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Documents to be submitted	The selection is mainly based on the submitted information including 1. Autobiography in Chinese 2. Study plan in Chinese or English 3. Copy of undergraduate diploma and grade report 4. Score reports of Chinese and English proficiency test 5. Other favorable documents
Evaluation criteria	To be determined by the Admission Committee
Remarks	1. Proficiency in Chinese (reading, writing, listening, and speaking). 2. Score reports of Chinese proficiency test and English proficiency test taken within two years. 3. More information is on the website of the Institute of Religion and Humanity: http://www.religion.tcu.edu.tw

Department	Master program, Department of Communication Studies
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Document to be submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Study plan and autobiography in English or Chinese 2. copy of diploma of undergraduate or highest degree and an official copy of undergraduate transcript 3. A one-page statement of research proposal
Evaluation criteria	Application will be reviewed and approved by a committee selected from the faculty. For applicants with unsatisfactory Chinese competence, conditional approval may be issued.

Department	Master program, Institute of Education
Requirements	Qualification of application is under our admission instruction regulations
Documents to be submitted	<p>The selection is mainly based on the submitted information including</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography in Chinese or English 2. Study plan in Chinese or English 3. Copy of undergraduate diploma 4. Official copy of undergraduate transcript (GPA) 5. Score report of English proficiency test 6. Other favorable documents
Evaluation criteria	To be determined by the Admission Committee
Remarks	Prospective students must have Chinese or English proficiency in all respects (listening, speaking, reading and writing), and submit the score reports of English proficiency tests which must meet the international standard or their governmental standard.



**Tzu Chi University 2015 Fall Semester
Application Check List**

Please put a check mark ✓ on the space provided to make sure you have submitted **ALL** the required documents.

	Applicant Name	Department/Graduate Institute Applies
	(in Chinese)	
	(in English)	
✓	Required Documents	copy
	Check List < Attachment 1 >	1
	Completed application form < Attachment 2 >	1
	The certificate of nationality (passport, residence certificate or birth certificate)	1
	Documents issued by Ministry of Interior indicating that the person concerned has given up R.O.C. nationality for at least 8 years. (For applicants who once had R.O.C. nationality and household registration in Taiwan, but now hold foreign nationality only.)	1
	A copy of parental certificate of nationality (passport, residence certificate or birth certificate)	1
	A copy of financial statement issued by bank	1
	A copy of certificate of enrollment or degree diploma. If the diploma is not in Chinese or English, a translated copy in Chinese or English is required. ※Certificate of enrollment can be used to indicate applicants' status at the application period. Verified degree diploma is required for registration.	1
	A copy of official transcript of academic records in English or Chinese. If the transcript is not in Chinese or English, applicant needs to attach the translated copy in Chinese or English.	1
	Other requirements by individual department.	1
	Full English Graduate Program Scholarship Application Form (for International Biomedical Graduate Program applicants only) < Attachment 3 >	1
	International Student Scholarship Application Form < Attachment 4 >	1
	Declaration Form < Attachment 5 >	1



**Tzu Chi University 2015 Fall Semester
International Student Application For Admission**

No. 701, Zhongyang Rd. Sec. 3, Hualien 97004, Taiwan, R.O.C.
TEL: +886-3-856-5301 ext.1014~1017 FAX: +886-3-857-4499

Attach recent
photograph here
(about 1"×2")

1. Please type or print clearly in English

Name	Last name:		First name:	
Home Address			Tel. No.	()
Mailing Address			E-mail	
Place of Birth	Date of Birth		Nationality	Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
Passport No.			I.D. No.	
Legal Guardian	Last name:		First name:	
Home Address			Tel. No.	()
Relationship			Occupation	
Father's Name	Last name: First name:	Father's Birth Place		Has your father ever held the R.O.C. nationality and had a household register in Taiwan? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Father's Nationality			Passport No	
Mother's Name	Last name: First name:	Mother's Birth Place		Has your mother ever held the R.O.C. nationality and had a household register in Taiwan? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Mother's Nationality			Passport No	

2. Department/Graduate Institute applicant applies for:

Department/ Graduate Institute		Official use only <input type="checkbox"/> Agree <input type="checkbox"/> Disagree
Degree	Program in Chinese: <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelor <input type="checkbox"/> Master <input type="checkbox"/> PHD IBGP in English : <input type="checkbox"/> Master <input type="checkbox"/> PHD	

3. Education

Degree	Name of Institute	City and Country	Major	Minor	Duration of study	Degree/Diploma/Certificate	Date of Degree Granted
High School							
Undergraduate/College							
Graduate							
Other Training							
Previous Employments							

4. Proficiency in Mandarin

How many years have you formally studied Chinese?	Have you ever taken any Chinese proficiency test? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Name of test : Score :
Self evaluation of Chinese language proficiency	
Listening	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Average <input type="checkbox"/> Poor
Speaking	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Average <input type="checkbox"/> Poor
Reading	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Average <input type="checkbox"/> Poor
Writing	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Average <input type="checkbox"/> Poor

5. Sources of Financial Support

<input type="checkbox"/> Personal Savings (Amounts in N.T. Dollars)	<input type="checkbox"/> Parental Supports (Amounts in N.T. Dollars)
<input type="checkbox"/> Scholarships (Sources & Amounts in N.T. Dollars)	<input type="checkbox"/> Others (Sources & Amounts in N.T. Dollars)
<input type="checkbox"/> Apply for TCU Full English Graduate Program Scholarship (please fill in application form on page 22)	



**Tzu Chi University 2015 Fall Semester
Full English Graduate Scholarship Application Form**
(for International Biomedical Graduate Program applicants only)

Full name (in Chinese if fit): _____ Full name (in English): _____	
Home address (in Taiwan): _____	
E-Mail address: _____	
Place of birth: _____ Date of birth: _____	
Nationality: _____ Gender: _____	
Education background	
High school or Academy: _____	
College or University: _____	
Major: _____ Date: _____	
Graduate School: _____	
Major: _____ Date: _____	
Have you ever applied other scholarships in Taiwan? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
What degree and institute/program are you applying for admission?	
Degree: <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelor <input type="checkbox"/> Master <input type="checkbox"/> PhD	
Institute/program: _____	
Attach a statement either in Chinese or in English stating your reasons for applying this scholarship.	
Signature of applicant:	Approval (For Official Use Only) :
Date of application:	



**Tzu Chi University 2015 Fall Semester
International Student Scholarship Application Form**

Full name (In Chinese): _____ Full name (In English): _____	
Home address(in Taiwan): _____	
E-Mail address: _____	
Place of birth: _____ Date of birth: _____	
Nationality: _____ Gender: _____	
Education background	
High school or Academy: _____	
College or University: _____	
Major: _____ Date: _____	
Graduate School: _____	
Major: _____ Date: _____	
Have you ever applied other scholarships in Taiwan?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
What degree and/or Program are you applying for admission?	
Program: _____	
Degree: <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelor <input type="checkbox"/> Master <input type="checkbox"/> Ph.D.	
Attach a statement either in Chinese or in English stating your reasons for applying this scholarship.	
Applicant's signature:	Approval (For Official Use Only) :
Date of application:	



**Tzu Chi University 2015 Fall Semester
Application for International Student Admission Declaration Form**

School/Institute of Application		Application Number (For Official Use Only)
Full Name (in English)		

1. I hereby certify that I conform with the requirements indicated in the < Regulations for foreign students studying in Taiwan > issued by the Ministry of Education of ROC.

2. I hereby certify that I understand Article 2 of < Nationality Act >

✳️ROC nationality mentioned above is defined in accordance with Article 2 of < Nationality Act > :

A person shall have the nationality of the ROC under any of the conditions provided by the following Subparagraphs:

- (1) His/her father or mother was a national of the ROC when he/she was born.
- (2) He/she was born after the death of his/her father or mother, and his/her father or mother was a national of the ROC at the time of death.
- (3) He/she was born in the territory of the ROC, and his/her parents can't be ascertained or both were stateless persons.
- (4) He/she has undergone the naturalization process.

3. I hereby certify that I qualify for one of the following five conditions:

- (1) At the time of application, I am holding a foreign nationality, and I am not an overseas compatriot student, nor had I ever possessed ROC nationality.
- (2) At the time of application, I am holding a foreign nationality and ROC nationality, but have never had the household registration in Taiwan, and have been living in a foreign country continuously for over 6 years (over 8 years needed for applications to School of Medicine, School of Post-Baccalaureate Chinese Medicine), and have not studied under the status of overseas compatriot students, and have not received the student status from the University Entrance Committee for Overseas Chinese Students in the year of enrollment.
- (3) At the time of application, I am holding a foreign nationality and once had ROC nationality, and have obtained documents issued by Ministry of Interior indicating that I have given up ROC nationality for at least 8 years, and have been living in a foreign country continuously for over 6 years (over 8 years needed for applications to School of Medicine, and School of Post-Baccalaureate Chinese Medicine), and have not studied under the status of overseas compatriot student and have not received the student status from the University Entrance Committee for Overseas Chinese Students in the year of enrollment.
- (4) At the time of application, I am holding a foreign nationality and a permanent residence status in Hong Kong or Macao, having no history of a household registration record in Taiwan and, at the time of application, has resided in Hong Kong, Macao, or another foreign country for at

least 6 consecutive years (at least 8 consecutive years for applying for School of Medicine, School of Post-Baccalaureate Chinese Medicine).

- (5) At the time of application, I am a former citizen of Mainland China and hold a foreign nationality, having no history of household registration record in Taiwan, and at the time of application, have resided overseas continuously for at least 6 consecutive years is qualified to apply for admission under these regulations (at least 8 consecutive years for applying to School of Medicine, School of Post-Baccalaureate Chinese Medicine).
4. I hereby certify that I do not hold the nationality of Hong Kong, Macau, and People's Republic of China.
 5. All the documents I have provided (including diploma, passport, and other relevant documents whether original or copy) are legal and valid documents. Should any of the documents be found to be altered or to violate any university regulation, I will lose my TCU admission privilege and no proof of attendance will be issued by the University for credits completed.
 6. The proof of the highest level of education attained that I have provided (for Bachelor's degree, the high school diploma; for Master's degree, the Bachelor's degree diploma; and for PhD degree, the Master's degree diploma) is valid and legally recognized by the country in which I received such education. The diploma provided is equivalent to that which is awarded by certified schools in Taiwan. If this is found to be fraudulent (including those through alterations and forgery) and in violation of any regulation, my admission will be refused, my student status revoked, and no transcript or diploma will be issued.
 7. I have never been expelled from any university or college in Taiwan under these circumstances (with drop-out records due to failure in conduct grades, academic grades, or being indicted guilty by the criminal law). Should I breach any of the regulations, I will be denied admission and my student status will be revoked.
 8. If I apply for the initial household registration in Taiwan or acquire naturalization or restoration of Taiwan Nationality during my period of study, and thus lose my status of foreign student, I will accept the discontinuation of my student status by the University.
 9. I have read all the regulations in the handbook and commit to obey the rules as set forth in the handbook.
 10. I authorize Tzu Chi University to verify any information submitted. Should there be any untruthful or misleading information, I am willing to accept the revocation of my student status.

Signature of applicant: _____

Date: _____