



Tzu Chi University
Application Guidelines
For
International Students
(Fall 2023 Third Application Period)

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**If there is any discrepancy between the Chinese and English versions of the regulations,
the Chinese version shall prevail.**

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2023 Important Dates for
International Student Admissions

Events	Fall 2023 Third Application Period
Admissions Handbook Release	July 4, 2023
Application available time	July 24, 2023 - August 21, 2023
Notification of admission	September 1, 2023
Confirmation of intention to attend TCU ※Submit required documents, which have been verified by Taiwan's Representative Office overseas (such as Taipei Representative Office, etc.)	Before September 4, 2023
TCU mails out registration documents	September 2023
First day of classes	September 2023

Useful phone numbers	
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Open Programs

Bachelor's Program	
College of Medicine	Department of Laboratory Medicine and Biotechnology
	Department of Public Health
	Department of Nursing
	Department of Medical Informatics
	Department of Physical Therapy
	Department of Biomedical Sciences and Engineering
	Department of Molecular Biology and Human Genetics
College of Education and Communication	Department of Communication Studies
	Department of Child Development and Family Studies
College of Humanities and Social Sciences International College	Department of Social Work
	Department of Human Development and Psychology
	Division of Chinese, Department of Oriental Languages and Literature
	Division of Japanese, Department of Oriental Languages and Literature
International College	Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures
	Bachelor Program in International Service Industry Management
	Bachelor Program in Digital Media and Technology

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Bachelor's Program			
Language of Instruction & Requirement for Language Proficiency			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Applying for the courses are given in Chinese. Submit the Chinese Proficiency Test report with the application. Applicants must have reached level A2 of the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL) or equivalent. ▪ Applying for the courses are given in English. Present the English Proficiency Test report with the application. The skill must be level B1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) or equivalent. ▪ Some courses may have different requirements. Please refer to each program for the Chinese/English proficiency requirement. 			
	Department	Language of Instruction	
		Chinese	English
College of Medicine	Department of Laboratory Medicine and Biotechnology	●	--
	Department of Public Health	●	--
	Department of Nursing	●	--
	Department of Medical Informatics	●	--
	Department of Physical Therapy	●	--
	Department of Biomedical Sciences and Engineering	●	--
	Department of Molecular Biology and Human Genetics	●	--
College of Education and Communication	Department of Communication Studies	●	--
	Department of Child Development and Family Studies	●	--
College of Humanities and Social Sciences	Department of Social Work	●	--
	Department of Human Development and Psychology	●	--
	Division of Chinese, Department of Oriental Languages and Literature	●	--
	Division of Japanese, Department of Oriental Languages and Literature	● (Japanese-supplementary explanation)	--

International College	Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures	--	●
	Bachelor Program in International Service Industry Management	--	●
	Bachelor Program in Digital Media and Technology	--	●

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2023 Important Notices for
International Student Admissions

1. Applicants who are not citizens of the R.O.C. and intend to enroll at TCU as international students must never have been expelled from any school in Taiwan. Those who have obtained degrees in Taiwan, and plan 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. With the exception of "International Biomedical Graduate Program (IBGP)" applicants, all 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 TCU Chinese Language Center, if you cannot keep up with the class, and the University will extend your admission status for one more year.
3. Undergraduate program applicants must possess the ability to listen, read, speak and write in Mandarin. Applicants will participate in an evaluation exam for their Mandarin level after arriving at Tzu Chi University. After the evaluation, if applicant did not meet the requirement, the applicant will be requested to:
 - A. Take Mandarin courses in the International College, Tzu Chi University;
 - OR**
 - B. At one's own expense, take classes at the Chinese Language Center, Tzu Chi University. In this case, the applicant's admission qualification to Tzu Chi University will be reserved for one year.
4. Program Duration:
 - A. undergraduate programs : 4-6 years.
 - B. Those who graduate from Hong Kong, Macau, or elsewhere and whose final year of study is equivalent to Taiwan's eleventh grade, must take 12 additional credits in TCU, according to the designation of each department, in addition to other credits required by the department. This rule also applies to students who complete Form 5 in Hong Kong or another overseas country.
5. Students must meet the foreign language requirements, before graduating from the University.
6. Fees and Expenses:
 - A. Tuition and Fees : Tuition and fees for international students are the same as those for domestic students. Please visit the Accounting Office's website for details :
<https://tcuaccount.tcu.edu.tw/>
 - B. Health Insurance : International students must submit proof of at least six months' 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 can apply for campus housing through the Office of Student Affairs before the deadline.
Phone : +886-3-856-5301 ext. 1202-1203.
7. Other issues not covered above shall be resolved by the Admissions Committee according to the rules and regulations.

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Application Timeline and Deadlines Fall 2023 Third Application Period (Taiwanese Time)

Fall 2023 Third Application Period	Events
July 24, 2023	Online Applications Open
August 21, 2023	Online Applications End Applicants must be eligible to apply as international students. Access the Application Guidelines for details and submit the application before the deadline.
August 24, 2023	Qualification Review of Applications by the Office of International Affairs (OIA) The OIA will conduct a qualification review to determine if applicants are eligible to apply as international students.
August, 2023	Review of Application by the Department/Institute/Program. After passing the review, some applicants may receive an interview notice.
September 1, 2023	Send Notice of Admission Decision The admission result will be announced on the website. Applicants will also be notified by E-mail and EMS.
September 4, 2023	Applicant Confirms Intention to Attend TCU
September 2023	University Sends the Admission Notification
September , 2023	First Day of Classes

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Application guidelines are based on the Articles of International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan :
<https://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. **Not** R.O.C. citizens
 - B. **Not** applying as overseas Chinese
 - C. **Not** graduated from a high school in Taiwan
 - D. Have **never** been expelled from other academic institutions in Taiwan
 - E. Were formerly R.O.C. citizens, but R.O.C. nationality has been renounced for over 8 years (must submit proof from the Ministry of Interior on non-R.O.C. citizenship status of at least 8 years)

2. According to Article 2 of the Taiwan Nationality Act, the following individuals are R.O.C. nationals:
 - A. Their father or mother was the citizen of R.O.C., at the time of their birth;
 - B. They were born after the death of their father or mother, who was a citizen of R.O.C. at the time of death;
 - C. They were born in the territory of R.O.C. and their parents are unknown or they are without nationality;
 - D. Are naturalized R.O.C. citizens.

3. Academic Requirements
 - A. International students with high school diplomas are eligible to apply for undergraduate programs, bachelor's degrees for master's programs, and master's degrees for Ph.D. programs.
 - B. Academic credentials must be in accordance with the Regulations of International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan.
 - (1)Academic credentials from Mainland China :
Regulations Governing the Accreditation of Schools in Mainland China shall apply.
 - (2)Academic credentials from Hong Kong or Macau :
Academic Credential Verification and Accreditation Methods adopted in Hong Kong and Macau shall apply.
 - (3)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:

Admissions Program	International Student Quota
Bachelor's Program	62

Application Guidelines can be downloaded from the OIA website at <http://www.oia.tcu.edu.tw/>

5. There is NO application fee.

6. Online application

- A. Applicants must apply and submit the required information online.
- B. Access TCU's website by <https://www.tcu.edu.tw>, and click application for **Fall 2023**. Select online application, choose "**International Student**," input your passport #, and then fill in the required information.

※ Please note:

- (1) To ensure the safety of applicant's information, Google Chrome is preferred; try not to use a mobile phone or tablet to input your data.
- (2) To avoid network congestion, applicant shall start the application process as early as possible. The applicant should pay attention to the deadline, and make sure to do it before the deadline.
- (3) For inputting the university code, those who are from Hong Kong or Macau must use "Y7777," while those from elsewhere must use "Y6666."
- (4) Make sure the information given is accurate and complete, and the applicant is unable to make any revisions after submission. Moreover, asking for a copy of any submitted information, after submission, is not permitted.
- (5) Ensure that all required documents are submitted. Should there be any missing documents, please submit them before the deadline.
- (6) An online application may only apply to three departments maximum. In case there are more than three departments, TCU will only accept the first three.
- (7) Right after the admission is granted, applicants must allow TCU to use their personal information to carry out needed verifications, publish the list of admitted applicants, and input them into TCU's administrative system.

7. Application availability day and time :

Fall 2023 Third Application period :

Start Application	Deadline for Application
July 24, 2023, 09:00	August 21, 2023, 17:30

【Online application only, and the deadline is Taiwanese time (UTC+8).】

8. Documents to Be Submitted:

No.	Required Documents
1	Application Check List 〈 Attachment 1 〉
2	Completed application form 〈 Attachment 2 〉 : This form has two pages. Please combine them into one document and upload them to the Application System.
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✧ Proof of nationality, such as passport or identification document with photo ✧ Proof of parental (both parents) nationality, such as parents' passports or identification documents with photos. If one of them passed away, please provide the relevant documents.
4	✧ Status Check and Affidavit Form 〈 Attachment 3 〉
5	✧ Documents issued by the 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 have household registration in Taiwan, but now hold foreign nationality only.)
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✧ Statement of financial condition issued by a bank or a scholarship certification. The applicant must ask the financial institution(s) to present written evidence(s) showing the applicant has a total of at least US\$2,500 or NT\$75,000 in his/her account(s). If the applicant is not the owner of the account(s), he/she must ask the account's owner to be the guarantor, who must submit a letter stating the relationship with the applicant, and promising to fulfill the obligation of fully supporting the applicant's expenses in Taiwan. ✧ If the document is not in English or Chinese, the applicant must translate it into English or Chinese.
7	✧ Declaration Form 〈 Attachment 4 〉 : This form has two pages. Please combine them into one document and upload them to the Application System.
8	A copy of certificate of enrollment or highest education diploma: If the document is not in Chinese or English, a translated copy is required . The certificate of enrollment can be used to indicate applicants' status during the application period, and the verified diploma is required for enrollment .
9	A copy of official transcript of academic performance (which contains the grades of every semester and with class ranking in number and percentage) : If the transcript is not in Chinese or English, a translated copy is required , and the verified official transcript is required for enrollment .
10	✧ International Student Scholarship Application Form 〈 Attachment 5 〉
11	Other requirements by individual department (Please refer to the enrolment requirements of each department /program in the Application Guidelines)

Document Title	Description
Diploma or Certificate of Enrollment	<p>Applying for bachelor's program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicants from Hong Kong, Macau, or elsewhere, who have graduated in June, must submit their high school diploma with the school's official stamp on it. • Those who haven't graduated from high school until November, such as applicants from Malaysia, must present their certificate of enrollment with school's official stamp on it.
Transcript(s) with class rank in numbers and percentages	<p>Applying for bachelor's program:</p> <p>Applicants must arrange to have an official high school transcript ready, which covers their last three years.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Those applicants from countries that have a different school system, and have completed their senior secondary education (10th grade & 11th grade), must submit a transcript which covers their last two years in high school. • Applicants must submit the transcript containing up-to-date information. If the last semester's grades are not available when filling out the application, they should submit an official transcript to TCU on the enrollment day (first day of classes). <p>A transcript should give detailed information of courses taken each year, grades received, and the applicant's performance in class expressed in both numbers and percentages.</p> <p>The transcript must be official, bearing the school stamp and authorized signature(s).</p> <p>The transcript must provide the school's location and its program's duration.</p>
Requirement for Language Proficiency	<p>If the language of instruction for the applicants' department/program is English, the applicants must have reached level B1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) or its equivalent.</p> <p>Applicants who meet the following conditions do not need to submit a report of their English Proficiency Test, and they need to provide the relevant documentation listed below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Applicants are from English-speaking countries: If English is their country's official or commonly used language, applicants must provide a school-issued document stating that the courses are in English. 2. Students obtain their previous degrees in English-speaking countries: Applicants must provide a school-issued document stating that the courses are given in English. 3. The courses of students' previous degree program (or high school program) are given in English: Applicants must provide a school-issued document stating that the

Document Title	Description
	<p>courses are given in English.</p> <p>※The List of Nations with English as the Official or Common Language 〈 Appendix 1 〉</p> <p>If the applicants' department/program language of instruction is Chinese, the applicants must have reached level A2 of the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL) or equivalent.</p> <p>Applicants who meet the following conditions can provide the relevant document instead of the Chinese Proficiency Test report:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The courses of the previous program (including the high school program) are conducted in Chinese: Applicants must provide a school-issued document stating that the courses are given in Chinese. 2. Applicants previously majored or focused on the Chinese language: Applicants must provide a school-issued document stating that the courses are given in Chinese.

※ **Submit information online and in PDF format before the deadline:**

※ Meet the deadline

- Should applicants fail in meeting the deadline or haven't sent in the required documents, their applications won't be accepted.
- TCU will review the applications, and if applicants do not meet the requirements, or fail to submit all required documents, TCU will reject them.

※ If there is any falsification on the submitted documents, the following actions will be carried out:

- If the applicant has been admitted, admission will be revoked right away.
- If the applicant is a current student, permanent termination of an individual's status as a student will be carried out, with the loss of all rights and privileges. Scholarships received must be returned.

9. Admission review : Each application will be reviewed by and according to each department.

10. Notice of Admission Decision

Enrollment Semesters	Notice of Admission Decision
<p>Fall 2023 Third Application Period</p>	<p>September 1, 2023</p>

※ Access <https://www.tcu.edu.tw/>; <http://www.oia.tcu.edu.tw/> for the notice of admission decision.

※ TCU will notify applicants by Enhanced Messaging Service (EMS) (i.e., text) and email.

11. Deadline for accepting admission invitation to attend TCU

Enrollment Semesters	Deadlines
Fall 2023 Third Application Period	September 4, 2023

- ※ After receiving notice of admission decision, applicants are advised to send their letter of intent to attend TCU as early as possible.
- ※ The deadline is Taiwanese time (UTC+8).
- ※ Admitted applicants should prepare the following, and submit them to TCU, on enrollment day (first day of classes):
 - Official transcript(s) verified by Taiwan's Representative Office overseas (such as Taipei Representative Office or Taipei Economic and Cultural Office).
 - Official diploma verified by Taiwan's Representative Office overseas (such as Taipei Representative Office or Taipei Economic and Cultural Office).

12. Enrollment:

- A. TCU will send admission notification in **September**. For any questions, contact the Registrar.
- B. International freshmen are required to submit the following to the Registrar on the first day of classes, and before enrollment:
 - (1) Passport or identification card
 - (2) Official diploma, which has been verified by Taiwan's Representative Office overseas (such as Taipei Representative Office or Taipei Economic and Cultural Office).
 - (3) Official transcript(s), which has been verified by Taiwan's Representative Office overseas (such as Taipei Representative Office or Taipei Economic and Cultural Office).

Note:

- TCU will input international freshmen's personal information into the school system.
- Those from countries with different school systems and who have completed their senior secondary education (10th grade & 11th grade), must take an additional 12 credit hours of coursework before graduating from TCU.
- C. Familiarize yourself with the graduation requirements, such as the coursework and semester credit hours that satisfy requirements of the major, general education, English education, physical education, and pass the required tests.
- D. For any questions, contact the Registrar:
 - By Phone : +886-3-856-5301, ext. 1102 or 1103 or 1140 、 1134
 - By Fax : +886-3-856-2490

13. Tuition & Fees and other fees:

A. The following list is for Fall 2022 and Spring 2023 only. The tuition & fees do not include accident insurance, health insurance, University housing, or uniform costs.

Bachelor's Program	Department/Institute/Program	Tuition & Fees Per Semester (NT\$)
Bachelor's Program	Department of Laboratory Medicine and Biotechnology, Department of Public Health, Department of Nursing, Department of Medical Informatics, Department of Physical Therapy, Department of Biomedical Sciences and Engineering, and Department of Molecular Biology and Human Genetics	48,849
	Department of Child Development and Family Studies, Department of Social Work, Department of Human Development and Psychology, Department of Oriental Languages and Literature, and Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures	46,831
	Bachelor Program in International Service Industry Management	47,800
	Department of Communication Studies, and Bachelor Program in Digital Media and Technology	54,230

B. Housing fee:

A standard suite with air-conditioner (A/C) occupies 391 square feet, accommodates four students, and costs NT\$8,200 per student per semester. The A/C charges are extra.

C. Uniform charge:

Students need to wear uniforms. The uniforms, including winter, summer, and casual wear, are measured and made for each student. The University subsidizes 50% of the charge, and each student needs to pay the rest, which is NT\$3,110 (female student) or NT\$ 2,530 (male student).

D. Living expenses:

The expenses vary with each individual, ranging from NT\$5,000 to NT\$7,000 per month. You must buy bedding supplies and personal items before opening a bank account in the first month after your arrival; please prepare an extra NT\$20,000 cash. You also need to pay for the textbooks; their prices vary depending on the courses you take and the instructor's requirements.

14. Refund of the tuition & fees:

- A. Suppose those who decide to withdraw from the degree program have not utilized any University's resources, such as not participating in freshman camps, checking into the University housing, attending classes, etc. In that case, if they apply within two weeks after the first day of classes, they do not need to pay the tuition & fees. Students who have paid for it can ask for a full refund.
- B. Other students withdrawing from the degree program or requesting a leave of absence shall follow the following table to pay tuition & fees or ask for a refund:

Request Date	Payment or Refund Amount of Tuition & Fees	Remark
Before the first day of classes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pay no tuition & fees 	
On or after the first day of classes and not longer than 1/3 of the semester	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pay 1/3 of tuition & fees • Refund 2/3, if student has paid 	If student only needs to pay credit unit fees, he/she must pay 1/3 of the fees or will receive 2/3 of the refund, if he/she has paid.
Longer than 1/3 of the semester and not more than 2/3 of the semester	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pay 2/3 of tuition & fees • Refund 1/3, if student has paid 	If student only needs to pay credit unit fees, he/she must pay 2/3 of the fees or will receive 1/3 of the refund, if he/she has paid.
More than 2/3 of the semester after the first day of classes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pay 100% of tuition & fees • Refund no tuition & fees 	

15. Scholarships and other

- A. TCU offers scholarships to international students, and applicants may access <http://www.oia.tcu.edu.tw/> for details.
- B. TCU abides by Personal Information Protection Act. Applicant's personal information, such as name, date of birth, passport number, education, occupation, address, Phone number, email address, etc., will only be used for the admission, processing of the student data, and other administrative matters. Without applicant's permission or the specific circumstances required by laws, we shall not disclose the information to anyone else or use it for any other purposes.
- C. If there is anything relevant to the applicant, yet not specifically listed in these guidelines, the applicant may refer to
 - The Ministry of Education's *Regulations Regarding International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan*
 - TCU's Rules and Regulations
 - TCU might be affected by COVID-19 and have to change examination dates and methods. We will keep applicants posted about any changes by making information available on the University's Admission website.

16. Admission criteria of each department:

Bachelor's Program	
Department	Department of Laboratory Medicine and Biotechnology
Language of Instruction	Chinese
Admission Evaluation	Documents review
Documents to Be Submitted	1. Autobiography in Chinese 2. High school transcript 3. The Chinese Proficiency Test must be taken within the last two years, and the score meets the international or their governmental standard: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level A2 of the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL); • Level 4 of the Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK); or • Level A2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Language (CEFR). 4. Other documents pertinent to the application
Evaluation Criteria	To be determined by the Admissions Committee
Remarks	Website : https://mtech.tcu.edu.tw

Bachelor's Program	
Department	Department of Public Health
Language of Instruction	Chinese
Admission Evaluation	Documents review
Documents to Be Submitted	<p>1. Autobiography in English</p> <p>2. The Chinese Proficiency Test must be taken within the last two years, and the score meets the international or their governmental standard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level A2 of the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL); • Level 4 of the Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK); or • Level A2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Language (CEFR). <p>3. The English Proficiency Test must be taken within last two years, and the score meets the international or their governmental standard.</p>
Evaluation Criteria	To be determined by the Admissions Committee
Remarks	Website : http://www.ph.tcu.edu.tw/

Bachelor's Program	
Department	Department of Nursing
Language of Instruction	Chinese
Admission Evaluation	Documents review
Documents to Be Submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Official high school academic transcript 2. Chinese Proficiency Test results within the last two years: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level A2 or above of the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL); • Level 4 or above of the Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK); or • Level A2 or above of the Common European Framework of Reference for Language (CEFR). 3. English Proficiency Test results within the last two years 4. Autobiography in Chinese and English 5. Proof of membership in student clubs and societies, service certificate(s), and award certificate(s)
Evaluation Criteria	To be determined by the Admissions Committee
Remarks	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Those with severe impairments in vision, language, hearing, movement, mental function, or abnormal color discrimination, who may have learning difficulties or safety concerns in providing healthcare services should carefully consider these factors before choosing this department. Those under the above conditions, who still have the will to study, should receive appropriate guidance from the University when they are admitted to study. 2. Website : http://tcunursing.tcu.edu.tw/

Bachelor's Program	
Department	Department of Medical Informatics
Language of Instruction	Chinese
Admission Evaluation	Documents review
Documents to Be Submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography in Chinese or English 2. High school transcript 3. Chinese Proficiency Test results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level A2 of the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL); • Level 4 of the Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK); or • Level A2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Language (CEFR). 4. Other documents pertinent to the application
Evaluation Criteria	To be determined by the Admissions Committee
Remarks	1. Website : https://tcumi.tcu.edu.tw

Bachelor's Program	
Department	Department of Physical Therapy
Language of Instruction	Chinese
Admission Evaluation	Documents review
Documents to Be Submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.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.High school transcript or the transcript in the university for at least 1 year 3.Autobiography in Chinese or English. (Introduction of yourself, motivation of study, and the plan of future study should be included) 4.Chinese proficiency test results within the last two years: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level A2 of the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL); • Level 4 of the Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK); or • Level A2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Language (CEFR). 5.English proficiency test results within the last two years, and the test must meet international or their governmental standards. 6.Other documents pertinent to the application
Evaluation Criteria	To be determined by the Admissions Committee
Remarks	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An online or phone interview may be arranged if necessary 2. Website : http://www.pt.tcu.edu.tw/

Bachelor's Program	
Department	Department of Biomedical Sciences and Engineering
Language of Instruction	Chinese
Admission Evaluation	Documents review
Documents to Be Submitted	1.High school transcript 2.Two letters of recommendation 3.Autobiography in Chinese or English 4.Chinese proficiency test results within the last two years: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level A2 of the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL); • Level 4 of the Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK); or • Level A2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Language (CEFR).
Evaluation Criteria	To be determined by the Admissions Committee
Remarks	Website : https://bmse.tcu.edu.tw/

Bachelor's Program	
Department	Department of Molecular Biology and Human Genetics
Language of Instruction	Chinese
Admission Evaluation	Documents review
Documents to Be Submitted	1.High school transcript 2.Autobiography in Chinese or English 3.Chinese proficiency test results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At least at Level A2 of the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL); or • At least at Level 4 of the Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK); or • At least at Level A2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Language (CEFR).
Evaluation Criteria	To be determined by the Admissions Committee
Remarks	Website : http://www.imbhg.tcu.edu.tw

Bachelor's Program	
Department	Department of Communication Studies
Language of Instruction	Chinese
Admission Evaluation	Documents review
Documents to Be Submitted	<p>1.Chinese proficiency test results:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level A2 of the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL); • Level 4 of the Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK); or • Level A2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Language (CEFR). <p>2.Autobiography and study plan in Chinese or English</p> <p>3.High school transcript</p> <p>4.Other documents pertinent to the application</p>
Evaluation Criteria	To be determined by the Admissions Committee
Remarks	Website : http://www.commstudies.tcu.edu.tw/

Bachelor's Program	
Department	Department of Child Development and Family Studies
Language of Instruction	Chinese
Admission Evaluation	Documents review
Documents to Be Submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autobiography and study plan in Chinese or English 2. High school transcript 3. Two letters of recommendation and other documents pertinent to the application 4. Chinese proficiency test results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level A2 of the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL); • Level 4 of the Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK); or • Level A2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Language (CEFR)
Evaluation Criteria	To be determined by the Admissions Committee
Remarks	Website : http://www.lovechild.tcu.edu.tw

Bachelor's Program	
Department	Department of Social Work
Language of Instruction	Chinese
Admission Evaluation	Documents review
Documents to Be Submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.High school transcript 2.Certification of volunteering 3.Certification of service in student association or community 4.Autobiography in Chinese 5.Chinese proficiency test results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level A2 of the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL); • Level 4 of the Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK); or • Level A2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Language (CEFR)
Evaluation Criteria	To be determined by the Admissions Committee
Remarks	Website : https:// socialwork.tcu.edu.tw

Bachelor's Program	
Department	Department of Human Development and Psychology
Language of Instruction	Chinese
Admission Evaluation	Documents review
Documents to Be Submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.High school transcript 2.Autobiography in Chinese or English 3.A letter of recommendation 4.Chinese Proficiency Test results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level A2 of the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL); • Level 4 of the Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK); or • Level A2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Language (CEFR) 5.Other documents pertinent to the application (including proof of participation in extracurricular activities)
Evaluation Criteria	To be determined by the Admissions Committee
Remarks	Website : https://hdd.tcu.edu.tw/

Bachelor's Program	
Department	Division of Chinese, Department of Oriental Languages and Literature
Language of Instruction	Chinese
Admission Evaluation	Documents review
Documents to Be Submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.High school transcript 2.Autobiography in Chinese 3.One letter of recommendation 4.Works, reports in Chinese, honors and award 5.Chinese Proficiency Test results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level A2 of the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL); • Level 4 of the Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK); or • Level A2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Language (CEFR)
Evaluation Criteria	To be determined by the Admissions Committee
Remarks	Website : http://www.ol.tcu.edu.tw/

Bachelor's Program	
Department	Division of Japanese, Department of Oriental Languages and Literature
Language of Instruction	Chinese (Japanese-supplementary explanation)
Admission Evaluation	Documents review
Documents to Be Submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.High school transcript 2.Autobiography in Chinese 3.One letter of recommendation 4.Works, reports in Chinese, honors and award 5.Chinese Proficiency Test results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level A2 of the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL); • Level 4 of the Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK); or • Level A2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Language (CEFR)
Evaluation Criteria	To be determined by the Admissions Committee
Remarks	Website : http://www.ol.tcu.edu.tw/

Bachelor's Program	
Department	Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures
Language of Instruction	English
Admission Evaluation	Documents review
Documents to Be Submitted	1. Autobiography in English 2. Two Letters of recommendation 3. Study plan in English 4. English proficiency test results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level B1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Language (CEFR); • Score 42 of TOEFL iBT; • Score 460 of TOEFL ITP; or • IELTS 4.
Evaluation Criteria	To be determined by the Admissions Committee
Remarks	1. An online or phone interview may be arranged if necessary 2. Website : http://www.ell.tcu.edu.tw/

Bachelor's Program	
Department	Bachelor Program in International Service Industry Management
Language of Instruction	English
Admission Evaluation	Documents review
Documents to Be Submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. High school diploma 2. High school transcript (including ranking or ranking percentages within class or year group) 3. Autobiography in Chinese or English (covering student background, study plan, future plan, and personal photos) 4. Reasons for choosing this program, in Chinese or English, and within one page 5. Recommendation letter(s) 6. Other documents pertinent to the application 7. English proficiency test results: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level B1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Language (CEFR); • Score 42 of TOEFL iBT; • Score 460 of TOEFL ITP; or • IELTS 4.
Evaluation Criteria	Document review by the Admissions Committee
Remarks	Website : https://bmsi.tcu.edu.tw/

Bachelor's Program	
Department	Bachelor Program in Digital Media and Technology
Language of Instruction	English
Admission Evaluation	Documents review; An online or phone interview may be arranged if necessary.
Documents to Be Submitted	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Certificate of Enrollment and high school diploma 2. High school transcript (including ranking or ranking percentages within class or year group) 3. Autobiography in English (covering self-introduction, education background, application motivation, future plans, and personal photos) 4. Study Plan in English 5. Recommendation letter(s) 6. English Proficiency Document(s) or Certificate : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Level B1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Language (CEFR); • Score 42 of TOEFL iBT; • Score 460 of TOEFL ITP; or • IELTS 4. • If not, the applicants may also provide an English proficiency document or certificate signed by the school or government agency. 7. Other documents pertinent to the application
Evaluation Criteria	Means of screening is mainly based on application materials review. To be determined by the Admissions Committee.
Remarks	Website : https://bpdmt.tcu.edu.tw/



Tzu Chi University Fall 2023 Third Application Period Application Check List

Please each item to ensure that you have submitted **ALL** required documents.

Access page 10-12 for more information.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Required Documents	Number of Copies
	Application Check List 〈 Attachment 1 〉	1
	Completed application form 〈 Attachment 2 〉: This form has two pages. Please combine them into one document and upload them to the Application System.	1
	The certification of nationality (i.e., passport or identification document with photo)	1
	Proof of parental (both parents) nationality (i.e., your parents' passports or identification documents with photos.) If one of them passed away, please provide the relevant information.	1
	Status Check and Affidavit Form 〈 Attachment 3 〉	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
	Statement of financial condition issued by a bank or scholarship certification, a translated copy is required. A minimum savings amount of US\$2,500 or equivalent is required. Access page16 for more information.(Page10)	1
	Declaration Form 〈 Attachment 4 〉 : This form has two pages. Please combine them into one document and upload them to the Application System.	1
	Diploma of highest education: If the document is not in Chinese or English, a translated copy is required. If you have not graduated yet, please provide Certificate of Enrollment. Access page16 for more information. (Page11)	1
	An official transcript of the highest academic degree which contains the grades of each semester and with class ranking in number and percentage. If the transcript is not in Chinese or English, a translated copy is required. Access page16 for more information. (Page11)	1
	[Optional] International Student Scholarship Application Form 〈 Attachment 5 〉	1
	Other department/program requirements: Please refer to Application Guidelines.	1

※After receiving admission notification, admitted applicants should prepare the following :

Official transcript(s) verified by Taiwan's Representative Office overseas (such as Taipei Representative Office or Taipei Economic and Cultural Office).

Official diploma verified by Taiwan's Representative Office overseas (such as Taipei Representative Office or Taipei Economic and Cultural Office).

You must submit them to the University on enrollment day (the first day of classes).



**Tzu Chi University Fall 2023 Third Application Period
International Student Application for Admission**

Please type or print in English

This form has two pages

1. General information			
Name (Please print your name as shown on your passport)	Last name/Surname:	First name/Given name:	
Applicant's Passport No.		Applicant's Nationality	
Father's Name	Last name/Surname:	First name/Given name:	
Father's Birth Place		Father's Nationality	
Father's Passport No.		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 (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the one that applies)
Mother's Name	Last name/Surname:	First name/Given name:	
Mother's Birth Place		Mother's Nationality	
Mother's Passport No.		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 (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the one that applies)
2. Person to contact in case of emergency: Provide a person in Taiwan. You may list a person in your country if you do not have one in Taiwan.			
Name		Relationship	
Phone Number		Email Address	
Address			
3. Education: Fill up the information related to high school (applying for bachelor's program), undergraduate education (applying for master's program), or graduate education (applying for Ph.D. program).			

	High School	College/Undergraduate	Graduate/Master
Name of Institution			
City and Country			
Major	N/A		
Duration of study (years)			
Date Degree Granted		<input type="checkbox"/> _____ (mm/dd/yyyy) <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> _____ (mm/dd/yyyy) <input type="checkbox"/> N/A

4. Proficiency in Mandarin

1. How many years have you formally studied Chinese?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, _____ years <input type="checkbox"/> No
2. Have you ever taken a Chinese proficiency test?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	If you have taken a Chinese proficiency test: Test name: _____ Score: _____

Self-evaluation of Chinese language proficiency
 (Please the ones that apply.)

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 (Please the ones that apply and fill in the amount.)

<input type="checkbox"/> Personal savings: NT\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Parental support: NT\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Scholarships: Sources & amounts in NT\$ (It must be scholarships that you have received.) _____ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Others: (Sources & amounts in NT\$) _____ _____

I certify that I have completed this application form by myself, and that all the information I have given is correct.
 I agree that the Office of Academic Affairs may utilize the personal data I have provided for admission or other administrative purposes.
 Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)

Print this document and sign it before scanning and uploading it to the University system.



**Tzu Chi University Fall 2023 Third Application Period
Status Check and Affidavit Form**

According to Article 2 of the Regulation Regarding *International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan*, international students do not possess an overseas Chinese student status at the time of their applications. To ensure that you meet the requirement, **please answer the following questions:**

1. Have you ever studied in Taiwan before? (You can skip questions 2-5 if you answer No for this question.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
2. Have you ever studied in Taiwan as an overseas Chinese student?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not sure
3. Have you ever been admitted through admission placement by the University Entrance Committee for Overseas Chinese Students?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not sure
4. Have you ever applied directly to the university and studied in Taiwan as an overseas Chinese student before?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not sure
5. Have you applied to study in Taiwan through the University Entrance Committee for Overseas Chinese Students this year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

If you answer No to questions 1 or 2 above, please complete the Affidavit below.

Affidavit

To _____ (← write **Tzu Chi University**):

I, _____ (applicant name), a citizen of _____

(Nationality), apply to study in _____ (← write **Tzu Chi University**) in Taiwan this year.

I declare that I have not studied in Taiwan as an overseas Chinese student before. If the Overseas Community Affairs Council finds that I have had Overseas Chinese Student status, I have no objection to cancellation of my admission status.

I also declare that I know and understand the contents of this affidavit.

Signature of applicant: _____ Date: _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)

Passport number: _____

Note:

According to "Regulations Regarding Study and Counseling Assistance for Overseas Chinese Students in Taiwan," the term "overseas Chinese student" refers to a student of Chinese descent born and having lived overseas until the present time, or who has been living overseas for six or more consecutive years in the immediate past, and obtained permanent or long-term residency status overseas. Note that for those applying to study medicine, dentistry, or Chinese medicine at Taiwanese universities, the minimum required number of consecutive years of overseas residency is eight years.

The term "overseas" refers to locations or countries outside Taiwan, mainland China, Macao, and Hong Kong. "Consecutive years of residency" is defined as staying in Taiwan for less than 120 days per calendar year. If the calculated calendar year is not a full calendar year, their stay in Taiwan should not exceed 120 days within the calendar year.

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**Tzu Chi University Fall 2023 Third Application Period
Declaration Form**

This form has two pages

<p>Your Name <i>(Put your name here as shown on your passport)</i></p>	
<p>1. I hereby certify that I act by the <i>Regulations for International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan</i> issued by the Ministry of Education.</p> <p>2. I hereby certify that I understand the definition of ROC nationality under Article 2 of Nationality Act, which states that a person holds ROC nationality, if he/she meets any of the following :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(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. <p>3. I now certify that I qualify for one of the following five conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(1) At the time of application, I hold a foreign nationality, and I am not an overseas compatriot student, nor have I ever possessed ROC nationality.(2) At the time of application, I have a foreign nationality and ROC nationality, but have never had a household registration in Taiwan and have been living in a foreign country continuously for more than six years (more than eight years needed for applications to School of Medicine or Post-Baccalaureate School of Chinese Medicine). Moreover, I am not an overseas compatriot student or being regarded as a student from the University Entrance Committee for Overseas Chinese Students in the year of enrollment.(3) At the time of application, I have a foreign nationality and permanent resident status in Hong Kong or Macao, having no history of a household registration record in Taiwan and, at the time of application, have resided in Hong Kong, Macao, or another foreign country for at least six consecutive years (at least eight straight years for those applying for School of Medicine, Post-Baccalaureate School of Chinese Medicine).(4) At the time of application, I am a former citizen of the People's Republic of China (mainland China) and hold a foreign nationality, and having no history of household registration record in Taiwan. Moreover, I have resided overseas continuously for at least six consecutive years, or at least eight straight years for those studying in the School of Medicine, or the Post-Baccalaureate School of Chinese Medicine. I hereby certify that I do not hold the nationality of Hong Kong, Macau, and People's Republic of China. <p>4. All the documents I have provided (including diploma, passport, and other relevant documents, whether original or copy) are legal and valid. Should any of the documents be found to be altered or violate any University regulation, I will lose my TCU admission privilege, and the University will issue no certificate of attendance for credits completed.</p>	

5. Proof of the highest level of education attained that I have provided (for bachelor's degree, high school diploma; for master's degree, bachelor's degree; and for a Ph.D. degree, master's degree) is valid and legally recognized by the country in which I received such education. The diploma provided is equivalent to that which certified schools in Taiwan award. 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.
6. 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 been indicted under criminal law). Should I breach any regulations, the University can deny my admission and my student status.
7. During my study period, if I apply for initial household registration in Taiwan, acquire naturalization or restoration of Taiwan Nationality, and thus lose my status as an international student, I am willing to accept it.
8. I have read all the regulations in the admission handbook and complied with the rules as set forth.
9. I authorize Tzu Chi University to verify any information submitted. Should there be any untruthful or misleading information, I am willing to accept my admission or student status revocation.

Signature of applicant : _____ **Date:** _____(mm/dd/yyyy)

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International Student Scholarship Application Form**

1. Full Name (in Chinese): _____

Full Name (in English): _____

2. Gender: _____ Nationality: _____

3. Email : _____

4. WhatsApp ID (Messaging App account) : _____ (if any)

5. Applying for admission to:

(Department/Institute/Program) _____

(Course name) _____

Program of the Bachelor's Master's PhD.

6. The school where I completed the high school education: _____

My study period: From _____ (mm/yyyy) to _____ (mm/yyyy)

7. The institution where I completed the bachelor's program: _____

My study period: From _____ (mm/yyyy) to _____ (mm/yyyy)

The institution where I completed the master's program: _____

My study period: From _____ (mm/yyyy) to _____ (mm/yyyy)

8. Are you applying for any scholarships provided by the government of Taiwan or other institutions in Taiwan ?

Yes. Please specify: _____

No

9. Please provide your thoughts on applying for this scholarship.

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)

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The List of Nations with English as the Official or Common Language

According to the official document (code: 外公眾規字第 1122900017 號函)

on January 5, 2023, from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of China (Taiwan)

No	Area	Nation	Official Language	Common Language
01	East Asia and Pacific	Commonwealth of Australia		V
02		New Zealand	V	
03		Republic of Fiji	V	
04		Republic of India	V	
05		Federated States of Micronesia	V	
06		Republic of Nauru	V	
07		Independent State of Samoa	V	
08		Republic of Singapore	V	V
09		Solomon Islands	V	
10		Tuvalu	V	
11		Republic of Vanuatu	V	
12		Cook Islands	V	
13		Republic of Kiribati	V	
14		Republic of the Marshall Islands	V	
15		Niue	V	
16		Republic of Palau	V	
17		Independent State of Papua New Guinea	V	
18		Republic of the Philippines	V	V
19		Kingdom of Tonga	V	
20		Malaysia		V
21	West Asia	Islamic Republic of Pakistan		V
22	Africa	Kingdom of Eswatini	V	V
23		Republic of The Gambia	V	V
24		Republic of Ghana	V	V
25		Kingdom of Lesotho	V	V
26		Republic of Liberia	V	V
27		Republic of Namibia	V	V
28		Federal Republic of Nigeria	V	V
29		Republic of Seychelles	V	V
30		Republic of Sierra Leone	V	V

No	Area	Nation	Official Language	Common Language
31		Republic of South Africa	V	V
32		Republic of South Sudan	V	V
33		Republic of Zambia	V	V
34		Republic of Zimbabwe	V	V
35		Republic of Botswana	V	V
36		Republic of Cameroon	V	V
37		Republic of Kenya	V	V
38		Republic of Malawi	V	V
39		Republic of Rwanda	V	V
40		Republic of the Sudan	V	V
41		Republic of Uganda	V	V
42		United Republic of Tanzania	V	V
43		Federal Republic of Somalia	V	V
44		Republic of Somaliland		V
45		Republic of Mauritius	V	V
46		State of Eritrea		V
47		Europe	Republic of Ireland	V
48	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland		V	V
49	Republic of Malta		V	V
50	North America	Canada	V	V
51		United States of America	V	V
52	Latin America and Caribbean	Barbados	V	V
53		Belize	V	
54		Antigua and Barbuda	V	
55		Commonwealth of The Bahamas	V	
56		Commonwealth of Dominica	V	
57		Grenada	V	
58		Cooperative Republic of Guyana	V	
59		Jamaica	V	
60		Federation of Saint Christopher and Nevis	V	
61		Saint Lucia	V	
62		Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	V	
63		Republic of Trinidad and Tobago	V	