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2018/2019 AY Pre-Arrival Guidebook

### Y O U R C O O R D I N A T O R I S

WELCOME TO NTU

#### 各位國際的朋友大家好:

自古迄今,許多人千里迢迢,翻山越嶺——旅行、求學、探險、貿易、宣教···為了追逐、實踐一個夢想。西元前 552-479 年,孔子周遊列國,有教無類,傳播儒家思想;西元 629-643 年,玄奘遠到天竺學佛取經,返國後仍在長安學習外國語文和佛學; 1266 年,馬可波羅家族幾度通過絲綢之路抵達中國,《馬可波羅遊記》成為歐洲認識東方的憑藉與名著;1492 年,哥倫布在西班牙天主教王國伊莎貝女王和費南多國王的贊助下,想要去印度,卻到了美洲,《哥倫布日記》記載了旅遊探險和見識美洲的驚奇; 1870 年,清朝官派留學生 120 名到美國留學; 1903-1907 年,清政府的《獎勵遊學畢業生章程》造就留日學生達 15,000 人;截至 1930 年代,留學生留學(遊學)歐(英、法、義、西等)美各國返國,在人文社會科學領域影響了中國近代史的發展。馬偕博士 1871 年抵達臺灣,學習臺灣話,他和子嗣均娶臺灣媳婦,往來東臺灣、北臺灣宣教、醫療、創辦學校,「寧願燒盡,不願朽壞」,終其一生,奉獻福爾摩沙。

各位來自世界各地的同學,今天你來到了臺灣,進入臺灣大學就讀,不 論你是國際學位生、交換生,訪問學生,雙聯學位學生,短期研究、實習學生…; 不論你是獎學金生,自費生,公費生…,心中一定都有一個目的,一個動機,一 個心願,一個理想。不論你在臺灣大學停留的時間有多長,有多短,都不要忘記 你這趟遠渡重洋,前來與臺灣的首要學府相遇邂逅的機緣。就算僅是時刻之間的 短暫駐足,也要讓你在臺灣大學的日子像兩後彩虹,七彩繽紛;像萬花筒,萬紫 千紅。30年前還是大學生的我,在西班牙短期進修一個月,影響了我的職志,日 後 30年優遊浸淫西班牙語文學文化領域,樂以忘憂。

因此,不論你來自何方,今日彼此在臺灣大學交會,希望大家敞開心胸,開心學習;認識臺灣文化,與校內外學子、朋友交遊/交友;散發熱情與好奇心,吸取知識訓練技能;讚賞這裡的好,接受、調整可能的不適和文化差異;惦記著當初點燃你前來這裡的火種,讓你在臺灣大學的生活持續發光閃亮。當然,更要發揮你的長處優點,你踏上這塊土地的優勢,告訴我們你的來時路,你的同胞,你的土地,你的文化,讓我們透過你學習、了解、認識你的家鄉,你的國家。

臺灣大學國際事務處不僅是服務各位的「窗口」,更是我們與各位交流往來的「大門」。國際事務處全體同仁會竭盡所能,為各位解決疑難,讓國際學生身在異地如故鄉,化/話鄉愁為情誼。青春是人生最神聖的寶藏,各位在人生的花樣年華來到臺灣大學,我們希望臺灣大學是你的尋夢園,是你知識的黃金國,是你優遊世界一隅的蓬萊仙島。將來你不僅會說:我曾去過臺灣,在臺灣大學就讀,我還要回來。

國立臺灣大學 張淑英 教授

#### Dear Student:

Throughout history worldwide, countless travelers have traversed miles to study, explore, venture, or impart all to pursue and actualize their dreams. Circa 552-479 BC, Confucius perambulated state to state to propagate Confucianism. In 629-643, Tripitaka Master Xuanzang trekked to India to acquire Buddhist scriptures and returned to Chiang'an to further his knowledge of foreign languages and Buddhism. In 1266 Marco Polo and his family peregrinated along the Silk Route into China, followed by the travelogue The Travels of Marco Polo to have unveiled the mysterious Orient to the western world. In 1492, Christopher Columbus, sponsored by the Spanish Catholic Monarchs Ferdinand II and Isabella I, sailed to India but fortuitously discovered a new continent. The Log of Christo-pher Columbus recounts the wonders of his voyages in the Americas. In 1870, the Qing government assigned 120 envoys to study in the United States, and between 1903 and 1907, the government sponsored up to 15,000 students to study in Japan. Until the 1930s, returning Chinese graduates educated in Europe or the Americas shaped the development of modern China in the fields of the humanities and social sciences. In 1871 the Canadian missionary George Mackay arrived in Formosa, learned the local language, married the Taiwanese, dedicating his lifetime to making remarkable contributions to education and modern medicine in Taiwan.

All the international students studying at NTU – (joint-)degree seekers, exchange students, visiting fellows, short-term guests, interns – come here with a goal, a dream, or a vision. Notwithstanding the duration of your residence here, forget not the fortuities, after such a long journey, at this top-notch university in Taiwan. Imprint on your heart the transient moments of NTU days like a splendid rainbow, like a variegated kaleidoscope. 30 years ago while I was a university student, a short immersion program in Spain opened for me an avenue to a broader world of Spanish literature and culture as my gratifying calling till now.

Your divergent backgrounds are now converging at NTU. Open your heart to learn, explore Taiwanese culture, befriend students on campus and locals off campus, ignite your passion and curi-osity, hone your professional skills, and embrace cultural differences. Always remember the kindling you have carried and let the sparks now illuminate your life at NTU. Optimize your strengths and take advantage of your distinctive background. Tell others about your stories, your culture, and allow us to learn more about your homeland, your country.

The Office of the International Affairs is not merely an information counter; it is an open gate for communication and exchange. The staff here will endeavor to assist you for a new "home-seeking" experience to alleviate your "homesickness." Youth is your most precious treasure, and I hope that NTU is your El Dorado where to dig out expansive knowledge, and your Mount Penglai where to travel in the realms of gold. In hindsight sometime later, not only will you reminisce about the days at NTU and in Taiwan, but you will exclaim: "I shall return!"

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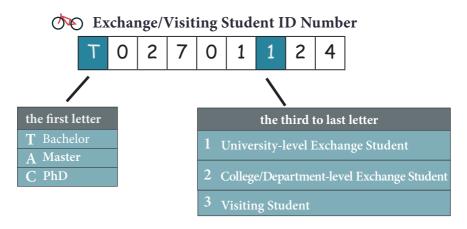


# Student Identity

NTU has a number of exchange student programs; each is run by a different administrative unit. The Office of International Affairs (OIA) is in charge of university-level exchange/visiting student programs, while individual college/department-level exchange student programs. You are obligated to abide by NTU regulations regardless of which program you participate in.



You can use your NTU student identification number to check your exchange/visiting status. The status distinction is important because different regulations and administrative process may apply.



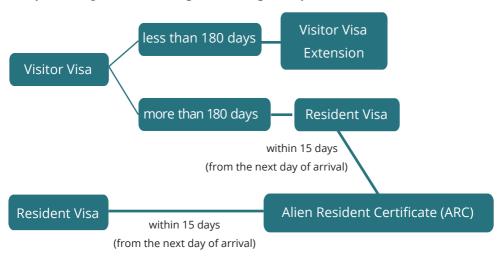
Information provided in this booklet applies to both exchange students and visiting students. Visiting students are entitled to the same rights and held to the same responsibilities as exchange students. College/department-level exchange students should directly consult the respective college/department offices for questions concerning admissions, registration, as well as other academic and living supports. Note: Please contact your college/department exchange coordinator for further assistance.







Make sure you will be able to stay in Taiwan with a valid visa BEFORE entering Taiwan. Please note the Ministry of Foreign Affairs does not grant student visa; some visa choices are listed below for your reference. Contact the Taiwan diplomatic mission in your country/region for the most up-to-date information on visa, including application procedures and required documents, restrictions, etc. For students from Mainland China, please skip this chapter and refer to the Entry Permit guideline sheet provided separately.

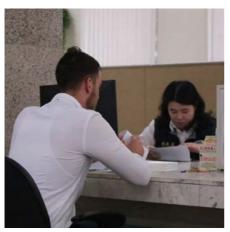


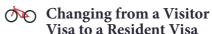
#### Visitor Visa

- 1.The Visitor Visa is recommended for students who stay for 1 semester or less to apply for.
- 2.Please consult with a Taiwan diplomatic mission or visit Bureau of Consula Affairs' website for information.
- 3. You may need to apply for a Visitor Visa Extension if the duration of stay listed on your visa does not cover the full length of your exchange/visiting period. Overstaying your visa may result in fines. Please consult with National Immigration Agency.

#### **Resident Visa**

- 1. The Resident Visa is recommended for students who stay for 1 academic year to apply for.
- 2.Please consult with a Taiwan diplomatic mission or visit Bureau of Consular Affairs' website for more information.
- 3. You must apply for an Alien Resident Certificate (ARC) at the National Immigration Agency within 15 days of entry into Taiwan with a Resident Visa.





If you have applied for a Visitor Visa in your home country but you plan on studying in NTU for 1 academic year, you may need to change your Visitor Visa to a Resident Visa. Please remember to apply for an Alien Resident Certificate (ARC) at National Immigration Agency within 15 days of receiving the visa.

#### Former Student Says...

"The info package contains the invitation letter and an information brochure. Especially the invitation letter is very important as it is needed for the visa application and to get registered at the university."

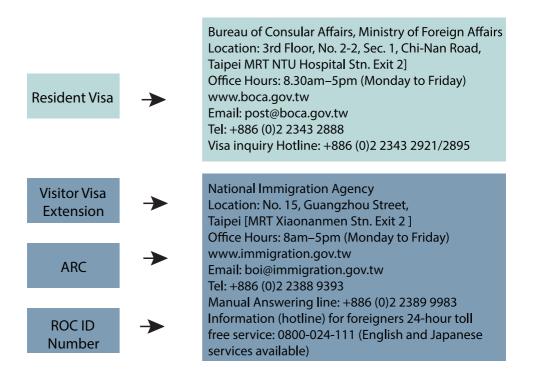
-Netherlands



#### of If You Hold Dual-Citizenships Including a Taiwanese Passport

...and plan to enter Taiwan with your Taiwanese passport, please note that male Taiwanese citizens may be required to complete military service. Please consult with relevant authorities and make sure you understand related regulations before arriving in Taiwan. NTU are unable to provide assistance with issues related to military service.

#### Where to do What?







#### TWD/Semester (5 months)

On-campus A	Accommodation	44,000*
Textbooks / S	Stationery	6,500
Campus Intern	net Access Fee	600
Food		35,000
Public Transp	oortation	5,000
Entertainment	/ Miscellaneous	15,000
Estimated Tot	al	TWD 110,600 / USD3,690

<sup>\* 1</sup> TWD = 0.033USD = 0.029 EUR as July, 2018,

Taoyuan International Airport may be the most convenient location to exchange foreign currencies into New Taiwan Dollars, as most banks in Taipei City only accepts limited types of foreign currencies, which may include US dollars, Euros, Japanese Yen, Chinese Yuan and HK dollars. Please check with the bank before heading over.

#### Opening a Bank Account

Bring your passport and ARC to a local bank and fill out all necessary forms; you can ask the bank teller for help. To open a bank account, you have to deposit at least TWD 1,000. We strongly advise that you apply for a bank card, so you'll be able to withdraw money from ATMs at any time.

- 1.If you don't have an ARC, you must have an ROC ID Number to open a bank account. To apply for an ROC ID Number, please refer to National Immigration's website.
- 2.If you are under 20, you are not considered a legal adult under the law in Taiwan. You will need a letter of consent by your guardian in Taiwan, or by an embassy-approved overseas legal guardian. It is often easier to solicit parental or legal consent before you arrive.

#### **W** Using Credit Cards/Bank Cards

Before you leave for Taiwan, consult the bank in your home country whether you can use your credit cards/bank cards to withdraw money in Taiwan and what the transaction charges are.



#### Former Student Says...

"Taiwan is primarily a cash only place so be prepared with sufficient cash or have a card that will allow you to take out cash from an ATM."
-Australia





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#### **Room Type**



#### Single Suite

- 1.Monthly rent: TWD 7400 (Rent includes water and internet bills, but excludes electricity bill)
- 2. Partially furnished:
  - (1) bed, table, chair, closet, bookcase.
  - (2)fridge, and air conditioner are provided.
- 3.NOT provided: beddings, cable TV, heating system

# Twin Suite (Shared by 2 students)

- 1.Monthly rent: TWD 4900/student (Rent includes water and internet bills, but excludes electricity bill)
- 2. Partially furnished:
  - (1)bed, table, chair, closet, bookcase.
  - (2)fridge, and air conditioner are provided.
- 3.NOT provided: beddings, cable TV, heating system

#### Former Student Says...

"The university made it convenient, providing stalls right outside the dorms during the first few weeks, which sold household necessities such as shower curtains, Wifi cords, garbage bins, and much more. Mattresses and blankets were also sold, so you didn't have to go far to find what you needed."

-Canada



#### Remarks and Notes

- 1. You are guaranteed a spot in the dormitory if you check "yes" for accommodation in the online application system.
- 2. Roommates will be randomly assigned.
- 3.NTU cannot provide student housing for couples or families.

#### Rent and Security Deposit Remarks and Notes

1.To complete reservation of your dormitory room, you must complete the following two items:

(1)Pay the deposit, which is equivalent to two months' rent, and the first month's rent by the deadline specified in the Deposit Payment Notice sent by the dorm.

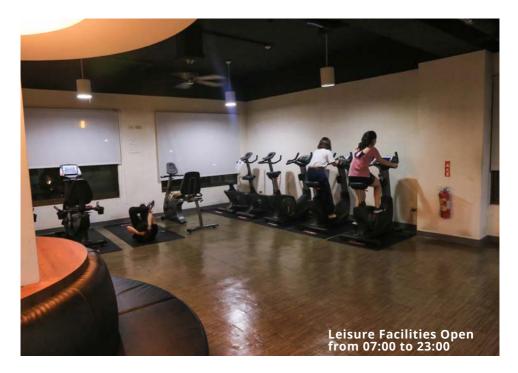
(2) Provide a copy of your payment receipt to the dormitory.

2. To pay the rent prior to the 5th day of every month, you can reach receptionists for the deposit slip or to pay in person at any local banks in Taiwan.

3. If you have a local bank account, ATM transferring is an alternative.

4. Exchange/visiting students will be charged one month of the rental fee as penalty for terminating their tenancy agreements before their exchange period ends.





#### Check-out Procedure and Security Deposit Refunding

- 1. Take the check-out application form at reception desk 45 days before you leave, otherwise, international remittance is the only way to take back deposit.
- 2.Complete the check-out procedure on your leaving day at the reception desk and the receptionists will refund your deposit after checking the facilities.
- 3.If you've completed your exchange program and would like to move-out earlier, please contact your exchange coordinator in advance.



# DORM ROOM POLICIES

Excerpt taken from Prrince House Dormitory Regulation

- 1. Visitors: All visitors are obliged to register at the front desk. The visitor needs to claim for a badge and wait for the resident to be accompanied at the lobby. Visitors without registration are not permitted to enter or use the electronic key.
- 2. Visiting time: The visiting time for visitors is 07:00-23:00. Visitors are obliged to leave before 23:00. For visitors that stay overnight will not be tolerated. The resident will be reported to the counselor and a further action will be taken.
- 3.Smoking: All residents should be aware that Prince House Dorms is a non-smoking area. Smoking is therefore prohibited. Smoking areas are located in front of building C. The resident can turn to the front desk for more advice of the smoking areas.
- 4.Rent: Residents are required to pay for the monthly rent no later than the 5th every month. It is allowed to pay for all the months at one time.
- 5.Room switch: All residents are allowed to switch room once every semester. Room switch requests will only be handling every month from the 25th to the end of the month (except July and August). Residents are not allowed to change their rooms, move any furniture or lend their room to other people without permission.
- 6.Laundry room: Residents should take away their personal belongings

- immediately after use of the washing machine or dryer. This is highly recommended by Prince House, as we experience a lot of residents missing their belonging. Prince House Dorms does not provide detergent. Residents are therefore recommended to bring their own and not use others.
- 7.Clothesline area: All residents should remember to retrieve them personal belongings at the clothesline area. Items that are not retrieved for week will be recycled by the staff.
- 8.Drinking water machine: All residents should maintain the water machine after use.
- 9.Bicycle parking: Prince House Dorms provide parking areas in front of all buildings. Bicycle parked outside the specify areas will be detained.
- 10.All Prince House Dorms main doors are secured with an electronic lock. Residents should be reminded to use the electronic key and close the door afterwards.
- 11. Corridors and other public areas are not for personal use. According to the fire regulations, residents are not allowed to place any personal belonging in those areas in case of fire.
- 12.All residents should keep their voice low after 23:00 both in public areas and in their room, in order to avoid disturbance.

#### Off-Campus Accommodation

The University accommodates exchange/visiting students with on-campus housing only during their exchange/visiting periods. If you plan to arrive in Taiwan early before the suggested arrival date(s), leave later than the checkout date(s) or not to apply for on-campus accommodation during the exchange/visiting periods, you may need to look for an off-campus housing. The following is some of the off-campus housing resource that may be helpful to you. Please note that the University is not responsible for finding off-campus housing for students.

#### **Rental information**

Tsuei Ma Ma Foundation for Housing and Community Service Location: 2F, No. 2-3, Lane 269, Sec. 3, Roosevelt Rd., Da-an District, Taipei Tel: +886 (0)2 2365 8140

www.tmm.org.tw





NTU has acquired a reputation for academic excellence and cutting-edge research, all right in the heart of Asia. This chapter guides you through academic administrative matters such as course enrollment and transcripts so that you can take advantage of a wide range of academic programs in Taiwan.

All exchange/visiting students can take courses offered by departments/ institutes outside of their majors. Course information and schedule can be found on the NTU Course Information System at **nol.ntu.edu.tw**/. To search for a course, you need to first select the academic year. Note the way that Taiwan counts years, which is based on the founding of the Republic of China in 1912. If you use the Chinese version of the NTU Online Course Information, 107-1 means 2018-1 (The First Semester of 2018/2019 AY from September 2018 to January 2019) and 107-2 means 2018-2 (The Second Semester of 2018/2019 AY from February 2019 to June 2019).

Lectures and examinations are typically conducted in Chinese. If you do not have sufficient knowledge of Chinese, you should consult the professor or instructor before enrolling in a certain course. Course information for the new semester will be announced roughly a month before the start of the semester. Before this, you may refer to course schedules from prior semesters or consult your department/college offices directly.





#### Validate NTU ID Account

Before the course selection starts, please access the website of Computer and Information Networking Center first at **changepassword.cc.ntu.edu.tw** to change your password so that your account can be activated. Once your account is activated, then you can log into the course selection system to sign up for courses.

Username: Student ID (use lower case alphabet)

Example: a06121101

Preset password: "a" plus your "birth date" (mmdd) Example: a0920 (if the birth date is September 20) If you cannot login to change your password or have any questions regarding the activation of your student account, please contact Computer and Information Networking Center directly at cchelp@ntu.edu.tw.



#### **Course Units and Hours**

Please refer to the below chart for class times. This information can also be found under "schedule classroom" on the NTU course information website. For instance, "Mon 78" stands for Monday 14:20-16:20.

Code	Hours	Code	Hours	Code	Hours
0	07:10-08:00	5	12:20-13:10	10	17:30-18:20
1	08:10-09:00	6	13:20-14:10	A	18:25-19:15
2	09:10-10:00	7	14:20-15:10	В	19:20-20:10
3	10:20-11:10	8	15:30-16:20	C	20:15-21:05
4	11:20-12:10	9	16:30-17:20	D	21:10-22:00

#### Restrictions and Conditions on Course Selection

- 1. The following courses are not open to exchange/visiting students:
  - (1)Programs provided by the Center of Teacher Education [師資培育中心]
  - (2)Summer Session [暑修] or Summer College [夏季學院] courses.
  - (3)Practical training courses in the College of Medicine [醫學院實習課程].
- 2.Courses in Department of Anthropology [人類學系暨研究所] may have specific Chinese language proficiency requirements.
- 3.Undergraduate exchange/visiting students have the same priorities as junior undergraduate students.
- 4. Some graduate (Master or PhD) courses are not open to undergraduate students.
- 5.GMBA required courses are only open to GMBA degree students, whereas most of GMBA elective courses are open to exchange students with the authorization codes given by course instructors.



- 6.All courses in EMBA program are open to degree students only.
- 7.Physical Education courses are worth 1 credit (if passed) and are counted toward the computation of the semester's grade point average. Students may select no more than two different PE courses per semester.
- 8.Exchange/Visiting students enrolled in laboratory classes such as Biotechnology Core Techniques are required to pay additional lab fees.
- 9.Students cannot take courses with conflicting schedules or courses with the same curriculum number in the same semester.
- 10.In regards to student status restrictions, please refer to the column "Limits on Course adding/dropping" for each specific course at NTU Online Course Information.

#### Course Curriculum Identity Number

Curriculum numbers are four-digit numbers prefixed with abbreviated department names (e.g. CHIN1001 Freshman Chinese). The four-digit number is called a "basic number ". Please refer to the below example for a clear guide on how to interpret the basic number.

#### Course Curriculum Identity Number Example

English Abbreviation	Basic Numbers	Note
Two to six characters resemble the English abbreviation of the department which opens the course.* Take Department of Chinese Literature and Department of Medicine as examples.	The first digit of the basic number indicates the target students in terms of year of study. The second to fourth digits are serial numbers.	
CHIN	1000-1999	Courses for freshmen
MED	2000-2999	Courses for sophomores
CHIN	3000-3999	Courses for juniors
CHIN	4000-4996	Courses for seniors
CHIN	4997-4999	Bachelor's thesis
MED	5000-5999	Upper division courses or courses for 5th year students in the School of Medicine,the School of Dentistry and the School of Veterinary Medicine
CHIN	6000-6999	Courses for 6th year students in the School of Medicine and the School of Dentistry
MED	7000-7998	Courses for Master's students or courses for the 7th year students in the School of Medicine
MED	8000-8998	Master's thesis
CHIN	7999	Courses for PhD students
MED	8999	PhD dissertation

<sup>\*</sup>For the abbreviation of each department, please visit National Taiwan University Office of Academic Affairs at http://www.aca.ntu.edu.tw/eaca/ >> Divisions >> Services >> Table of Course Numbers and Abbreviations of Department Names.



#### Mortant Periods of Course Selection and Notes



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#### Course Information for the Upcoming Semester

- 1. You may find the course information on NTU Online Course Information at nol.ntu. edu.tw/nol/guest/index.php. For more details regarding the courses you are interested in, please consult the coordinator of departments at NTU or the course instructor before selecting the course.
- 2.Please note that your student account is not available yet during this period, so you cannot log-in to plan your course schedule yet. Once your student account is activated, we will send you a notification email so that you can log-in to plan your course schedule.

#### 1st Preliminary Course Selection Period

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- 1. Course selection is set to prioritize students that belong to that department. Thus, it is highly recommended that you sign up for all the compulsory courses of your department during the 1st Course Selection Period.
- 2.Please note, a large amount of students will login to the system simultaneously when the Course Selection System opens. To avoid congestion when accessing the Course Selection System, you are strongly recommended to plan your course list beforehand (by clicking My Class Schedule).





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#### 2nd Preliminary Course Selection Period

You may log in to the Online Selection System to check your course results after the First Preliminary Course Selection Period ends

At that point, you may check if certain courses still have openings by entering a 5-digit course serial number. If the course is full or unavailable, you will not be able to add it to your list at this stage.

#### Course Add/Drop Period



- 1. After classes begin, you may attend as many classes as you wish during the first two weeks while simultaneously adding/dropping courses. During this period, you can add courses by one of the designated selection methods.
- 2.Further details will be provided in the 2nd volume of the guidebook.



#### Former Student Says...

"As the modules are randomly assigned, there might be a chance that you would not be able to get your desired modules at the end of the bidding period. However, you can always try to email the professor and register manually for the course." -Singapore





To meet NTU and government requirements, all new students must take a health exam by a qualified doctor and complete each examination listed on the "NTU Exchange/Visiting Students Health Exam Form" and "Medical Examination Requirements for Students Applying for Short-Term Study in Taiwan (Form C). The Health Exam Form & Form C should be completed after July 01, 2018. You should also upload a scan version to the application system by August 01, 2018 and submit the original forms to the OIA on the registration day

#### Complete the Exam in Your Home Country

The Health Exam Form and Form C should be completed no more than 2 months ahead of the registration day and should be submitted to OIA on the registration day. If you are a full year exchange student and would like to apply for an ARC, you are suggested to download the Health Exam Form offered by the Immigration Agency as well and bring it together with our NTU Health Exam Form to the hospital to do the Health Exam so that you will not need to do the Health Exam twice.

#### Useful Tips

- 1.For those who need to change from Visitor to Resident Visa, note that the ROC Mission requires a different health exam be taken, and because the exam for Resident Visa must be taken in a Ministry-designated hospital in which NTU Hospital is not included, you may go to a Ministry-designated hospital to have them fill out the results on both forms.
- 2.Where to download Items Required for Health Certificate (Form B): www.immigration.gov.tw/public/ Attachment/55149202279.doc



#### **Insurance**

You must purchase your own insurance in your home country before travelling to Taiwan. Please provide proof of insurance valid for your entire exchange period for the following:

- -Accident insurance worth a minimum of TWD 1,000,000 (approx. USD 34,000)
- -Medical insurance worth a minimum of TWD 1,000,000 (approx. USD 34,000)

The complete insurance policy has to be written in English or Chinese and must be uploaded to the application system by August 01, 2018. If you are not sure whether the insurance you are planning to buy meet our requirements or not, please consult your NTU exchange coordinator in advance.

If you hold an Alien Resident Certificate (ARC) and have met the six-month minimum residency requirement, you can choose to join the National Health Insurance (NHI) with limited coverage.



Most international flights land at Taoyuan International Airport (TPE). The journey from Taoyuan International Airport to central Taipei is about 40 kilometers. Since you will receive your student ID card once you go through all the welcome activities, and your student ID card is an easy card, so you don't need to purchase an easy card at the airports or bus station.











#### (N) How to Get to the Campus from the Airport

#### Taipei Songshan Airport (TSA)



Time:20mins Fare: TWD250 (approx.)

Taxi rank is located outside the Arrivals Lobby.





Time:30mins Fare:TWD120 (approx.)

Take **MRT** Wenshan-Neihu Line (文湖線) to Technology Building station (科技大樓站), and then take a taxi.

#### Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport(TPE)



Time:1hr Fare:TWD1300 (approx.)

Time:1hr30mins Fare:TWD350 (approx.)

Taxis operating by shifts are located at the west side of Terminal 1's and 2's Arrivals Lobby.

Take bus (Kuo-kuang Line 1819 or CitiAir Bus 1961) directed to Taipei Main Station(台北車 站),and then take a taxi.



Time:1hr30mins Fare:TWD220 (approx.)

Take bus (Kuo-kuang Line 1819 or CitiAir Bus 1961) directed to Taipei Main Station(台北車站), and transfer to MRT Xindian Line(新店 線), get off at Gongguan station(公 館站).



Time:1hr15mins Fare:TWD200 (approx.)

Take Taoyuan Airport MRT to Taipei Main station(台北車 站), and then take MRT Songshan-Xindian Line(松山新店線) to Gongguan Station (公館站).

#### Services at the Airport

#### Purchase a Prepaid SIM Card

#### ... at the airport

There are kiosks located inside the terminals. The cards are exclusively for tourists and at a slightly lower price than in the city, including more data and as well their WiFi access which provides many hotspots throughout the city. The only identification required for these is your passport.

A.At Taoyuan International Airport (TPE): kiosks are located in both arrival and departure levels. Hours of operation: 8am - 10pm, daily.

B.At Taipei Songshan Airport (TSA): kiosks are located in terminal 1 at international arrivals. Hours of operation: 6am – 10pm, daily.

#### ...in the city

You can go to any of the provider stores in town to purchase a prepaid SIM card for regular price. The difference with this option is that all operators except for Taiwan Mobile will require you to show a secondary piece of identification e.g. a driver's license and have to sign forms. Please note that in stores in the city employees are less likely to speak English as the staff at the airport.

#### Purchase your Insurance

A number of insurance companies provide travel insurance services at the both airports. Please note that if you plan to buy your insurance here, the policy you can buy at the airports can only cover 3 months in maximum. Thus you will need to apply for extension to make you insured for the whole stay here in Taiwan. Fees vary depending on the companies.



#### Former Student Says...

"Taipei as a city is very convenient to live in. Especially noteworthy is the outstanding, reliable, clean and efficient metro system. A great alternative to the metro are the U-bikes that can be rented cheaply in any part of the city."

-Germany

### **ON** Public Transportation



### Mass Rapid Transit (MRT)

The Taipei MRT (Mass Rapid Transit) is a modern transportation system serving the city and its vicinities. Currently there are ten routes. NTU is at the Gongguan station on the Danshui-Xindian line. Students can take the MRT at the Gongguan Station on Roosevelt Road. NTU Student ID Cards can function as MRT's EASYCARD. You can add value directly onto your NTU Student ID Card at all MRT stations and convenience stores (ex:7-Eleven).



#### **Downtown Buses**

Buses in downtown Taipei can bring you to more places than the MRT.

Please refer to the following website for bus schedules and routes.

www.5284.com.tw



### Long Distance Transportation

In Taiwan, there are three main ways to travel for a long distance on the road: highway bus, train and high speed railway. For more information, please refer to the following websites

1. Highway Bus:

www.taiwanbus.tw/Express.aspx

2. Taiwan Railway:

www.railway.gov.tw/en

3. High Speed Rail: www5.thsrc.com.tw/en



Welcome activities aim provide incoming exchange/visiting students a series of activities to welcome each of you and assist you to be familiar to the campus life and understand basic rules at NTU. Please note that the information listed below is for university-level exchange students, and since the college or department may run its own welcome activities, if you are a college/department-level exchange student, please consult your coordinator directly for further details.



## **Campus Tour**

All of our tour guides are current NTU students, and they will introduce and explain the most important facilities on campus such as the sports center, canteens, the libraries, and etc.

Date: February 13, 2019

Place: Front Gate



## Orientation Sessions

All new international students are required to participate in Orientation sessions, during which we will guide you through registration process, course selection, Visa matters, housing, and other practical tips on campus life.

Date: February 14, 2019

Place: Core Subjects Classroom Building



## **Registration**

OIA will hold a session for the registration of all international students. After completing the registration procedures, you will receive your student ID card.

Date: February 15, 2019

Place: Conference Room 4, 5F, 2nd Ad-

ministration Building

### Former Student Says...

It is compulsory for exchange students to attend orientation week. The first event is the campus tour (not compulsory but highly recommended), this is held in both Chinese and English and it will be very important for the rest of the semester as the size of the campus is insanely large (compared with the University of Auckland). I definitely recommend purchasing a bicycle within the first week as it will become your main means of transportation during the semester. Next is the Orientation day, this is compulsory and almost all unanswered questions about the exchange life will be answered here."

-New Zealand





## Time Zone

Taiwan is located in GMT+08. All times posted in announcements from NTU is based on Taiwan's time zone, unless otherwise noted.

# AC power plugs and sockets

Taiwanese AC power standard is 110V, and types of sockets are as following picture. If plugs of your electrical appliances are not the same, please bring your own voltage converter.





# Climate in Taipei

Temperature in summer ranges from 27°C to 35°C. Temperature in winter ranges from 8°C to 20°C. Besides, rainy days are common in Taipei, so make sure that you always take your umbrella with you when going outdoors. Also, there is typhoon season in Taiwan. The typhoon season starts in June, and ends in November. If you want to travel in this period, you have to be careful for typhoons.



# **Survival Mandarin Quotes**

# **Quotes**

Hello Goodbye. Thank you.

你好 再見 謝謝你 nǐ hǎo zài jiàn xiè xiè nǐ

Excuse me. I am sorry. How much is it?

不好意思 對不起 多少錢 bù hǎo vì sī duō shǎo gián

bù hǎo yì sī duì bù qǐ duō shǎo qián

I want to go to NTU. 我要去臺灣大學 wǒ yào qù tái wān dà xué I can't speak Chinese. 我不會中文 wǒ bù huì zhōng wén

Where is the convenience store? 請問哪裡有便利商店 qǐng wèn nǎ lǐ yǒu biàn lì shāng diàn

# Disruptive Behavior, Alcohol, and Drug

Under no circumstances will alcohol intoxication, possession and/or use of drugs, stealing, spitting and any other disruptive behavior be tolerated.

#### **Smoking**

- 1. Legal Smoking Age in Taiwan: 18 years old.
- 2. Smoking is prohibited in the entire National Taiwan University campus, including the Main campus, Shuiyuan campus, Downtown Campus, and each dorm.

### Drug

According to the law, it is prohibited for any person to import, manufacture, transport, distribute, use, or possess narcotics, including but not limited to opium, marijuana, cocaine, amphetamine, pentazocine, and methadone. Any person who violates the above rule may be subject to capital punishment or life imprisonment.

#### **Alcohol**

- 1. Legal Drinking Age in Taiwan: 18 years old.
- 2.According to the law, a blood alcohol concentration (BAC) of 0.25mg/l in the breath of a driver (or 0.05% in the blood) is eligal.

#### Sexual Harassment

There is zero tolerance of sexual harassment in Taiwan.

Gender Equity Education Act (性別平等教育法) states the purposes of the act: "to promote substantive gender equality, eliminate gender discrimination, uphold human dignity, and improve and establish education resources and environment of gender equality."

- 1. When handling sexual harassment related cases, the school shall report according to relevant laws, and turn the case to its gender equity education committee.
- 2.Identities of all involved parties shall be kept confidential.
- 3. The victim shall be informed with rights, and provided with protection.



# Package Check-List

Your Admission Package, including Admission Letter and
Acceptance Letter.
Check your validity of passport
A proper visa applied
NTU Health Exam Form (including Form C)
Medical and Accident Insurance Proof
Plug Adapter
Copy of Important Documents
Enough Medications and Prescriptions (if needed)





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# ĭ Taipei MRT Route Map





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