

National Tsing Hua University

Fall 2027 / Spring 2028 Outbound Student Exchange Program

Application Guidelines

I. Basis

These Guidelines are established in accordance with the “National Tsing Hua University Regulations Governing the Selection of Outbound Exchange Students” and the “National Tsing Hua University Regulations Governing the Selection of Scholarships for Outbound Exchange Students.”

II. Application Period

September 3 to October 8, 2026, by 4:00 p.m. Departments/institutes may set an earlier internal deadline to allow time for compiling application materials. Please refer to the announcement of your department/institute for the exact deadline.

III. Application Procedure

Stage 1 – Submission of Application Materials

1. Paper application form: Download the “[Overseas Exchange Program Application Form for Fall 2027& Spring 2028- English Version](#)” from the “Outbound Exchange Program” webpage of the NTHU Office of Global Affairs. Complete the form and attach all required supporting documents. All forms must be typed; handwritten applications will not be accepted.
2. Online application: Log in to the [Overseas exchange student application system](#) (see the Outbound Exchange Program webpage for the link), complete the online application information (excluding preference ranking), and click “Submit.” After submission, print the application form on A4 paper.
3. By 4:00 p.m. on the application deadline, submit both the printed online application and the paper application materials to your department/institute. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted, and no supplementary documents may be submitted after the deadline.

Stage 2 – Selection of University Preferences

After receiving notification of the college-level ranking, students must complete the first round of preference selection between November 3 and November 10, 2026, by 4:00 p.m. Log in again to the [Overseas exchange student application system](#), rank up to 10 partner universities, and click “Submit.” No paper copy is required. Information regarding the second round of preference selection will be sent to students by email in mid-November.

IV. Supplementary Notes on Application Documents

4. Chinese academic transcript: First-year graduate students must submit the transcript from their previous degree, including their graduation ranking.
5. Language proficiency certificates shall be subject to the “[NTHU Foreign Language Proficiency Standards for Outbound Exchange Students](#).” If you have already taken a language proficiency test but have not yet received the official score report, a printout of the online score may be submitted temporarily. A copy of the official score report must be submitted by the designated deadline after the list of successful applicants is announced.
6. Students from the Nanda Campus should convert percentage grades into letter grades. Please refer to the conversion table provided by the Division of Registration, Office of Academic Affairs.
7. Selection of university preferences: The “Partner University List for Outbound Exchange Programs” on the NTHU Office of Global Affairs website is for reference only. Actual availability and admission

requirements are subject to the partner university's regulations for the relevant semester. Students must check the exchange program webpage of each partner university's international office and confirm that they meet its language and academic requirements. Students should also select a suitable program based on their academic background/major to reduce the risk of rejection by the partner university after nomination. In general, courses taught in English require English proficiency at B2 level or above. For courses taught in the local language, the recommended proficiency levels are Japanese JLPT N2 (for most universities), German B1 (for some universities), and French B1 or above.

V. NTHU Internal Selection Criteria and Preference Allocation

8. Selection criteria: The selection process consists of three stages: department/institute review, college-level review, and university-level review. Review committees will evaluate applicants based on their application materials, academic performance, and other relevant factors.
9. Preference allocation:
 - Allocation will be conducted according to students' preference rankings. If a student selects a highly competitive university as the first choice (i.e., the number of applicants reaches or exceeds the available exchange places), the student is advised to avoid selecting other highly competitive universities for subsequent preferences, in order to reduce the risk of being unsuccessful and having to enter a second allocation round.
 - Please note that once preferences have been submitted online, the ranking cannot be changed. If multiple students rank the same university at the same preference level, allocation will primarily take into account evaluation results and disciplinary balance. Students who are not allocated to that preference will automatically proceed to their next preference.

VI. Program Schedule

Time	Task / Milestone
Sep. 3 – Oct. 8, 2026, 4:00 p.m.	Online application system open; submit internal selection documents to your department/institute, including the outbound exchange application form, academic transcripts, study plan abroad, language proficiency results, and other supporting documents. The department/institute may set an earlier internal deadline.
Nov. 3 – Nov. 10, 2026, 4:00 p.m.	First round of online university preference selection.
Mid-November 2026	Second round of preference selection; details will be sent by email.
Early December 2026	Notification of preference allocation results and scholarship results to students and academic units.
By Dec. 11, 2026, 4:00 p.m.	Successful students must confirm participation or withdrawal and submit the required documents. Students confirming participation must submit the Exchange Student Agreement, Parental/Guardian Guarantee and Consent Form, scholarship undertaking (if applicable), and the NT\$8,000 administrative processing fee/deposit.
During the first or second semester of AY 2026/27	Pre-departure orientation for exchange students.
After NTHU nomination	Prepare and submit partner-university application documents in accordance with the partner university's requirements and deadlines.
After admission	Receive the official admission letter from the partner university; arrange visa, airfare, insurance, military-service-related exit procedures (where applicable), and submit required pre-departure documents.

During exchange	Provide overseas contact information and the course registration list for the exchange period.
After completing exchange	Submit the four required return documents: Return Report Form, Exchange Experience/Outcome Report, transcript, and boarding pass.

VII. Preference Allocation and Confirmation

10. The list of students who pass NTHU's internal selection is expected to be announced in early December by email to students and their academic units. Any changes will be subject to the latest announcement.
11. Successful students must confirm participation or withdrawal from exchange student status by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, December 11, 2026:
 - Students who withdraw: Submit a hard copy of the "Declaration of Withdrawal" to the Office of Global Affairs by the deadline.
 - Students who confirm participation: Submit the "Exchange Student Agreement," "Parental/Guardian Guarantee and Consent Form," and an administrative processing fee (deposit) of NT\$8,000 by the deadline. Scholarship recipients must additionally submit the "Scholarship Undertaking" to confirm their intention to participate and their agreement to comply with relevant regulations during the exchange period.
 - Students should avoid withdrawing for personal reasons after confirming participation or failing to meet NTHU's course requirements and other obligations while abroad. For detailed penalties, please refer to the relevant NTHU regulations governing outbound exchange students and outbound exchange scholarships.

VIII. Outbound Exchange Student Scholarship Information

12. Outbound Exchange Student Scholarship (Category A: General):
 - NT\$15,000 per student per month, for a maximum of five months.
 - The number of funded months and scholarship recipients will be determined by the review committee.
13. Outbound Exchange Student Scholarship (Category B: Designated Countries):
 - New Southbound Policy countries and Central/South American countries: New Southbound Policy countries include Indonesia, Vietnam, Brunei, Thailand, the Philippines, Malaysia, and India (excluding Singapore). Central/South American countries include Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica, Peru, Mexico, and Ecuador. Scholarship amount: NT\$30,000 per student per month, for a maximum of five months.
 - Israel, Türkiye, Russia, Mongolia, and South Africa: NT\$25,000 per student per month, for a maximum of five months.
 - The number of funded months and scholarship recipients will be determined by the review committee.

IX. Other Important Notes

14. This program adopts a three-stage review process (department/institute, college, and university levels). Review committees will conduct a rigorous review at each stage, after which the final list of successful applicants and preference allocation results will be announced. If a student raises an objection to the results in a manner that affects the rights of others or disrupts university administrative procedures, the Office of Global Affairs reserves the right to revoke the student's exchange eligibility.
15. The exchange periods covered by this selection are:
 - Fall 2027
 - Spring 2028
 - Fall 2027 through Spring 2028 (full academic year)

16. This program is an internal NTHU selection process only. Students who pass the selection will become eligible for NTHU nomination to their allocated partner university and will be informed whether they are eligible for scholarship funding. Passing NTHU's internal selection does not guarantee final admission by the partner university. After nomination by the coordinator of the Global Academic Cooperation Division, Office of Global Affairs, students must submit the required application materials to the partner university and wait for the partner university to complete its review and issue an official admission letter before exchange eligibility is confirmed. In other words, "nomination" marks the dividing point: before nomination, the process is NTHU's internal selection; after nomination, the application enters the partner university's review stage. NTHU exchange eligibility does not constitute admission by the partner university, and the final admission decision rests with the partner university. Students should therefore select preferences carefully according to their primary academic field and note the following:
- In addition to meeting NTHU's language proficiency threshold, students must also meet any higher language requirements or third-language requirements imposed by the partner university before selecting that university as a preference.
 - Before entering each preference, students must make sure that they are genuinely willing to attend that university. If a student intends to apply only to one specific university, it is recommended that only that university be entered as a preference; the allocation result will then be either "successfully allocated" or "unsuccessful."
17. Procedures after passing NTHU's internal selection: Successful students should download the following documents from the download section of the "Outbound Exchange Program" webpage: the "Exchange Student Agreement," "Parental/Guardian Guarantee and Consent Form," and "Scholarship Undertaking" (for scholarship recipients only). Completed documents must be submitted to the Global Academic Cooperation Division by the announced deadline. Students who decide to withdraw after passing the selection must complete and submit the "Declaration of Withdrawal."
18. Reminder regarding academic calendars and graduation planning: Academic calendars at overseas universities may differ from NTHU's calendar. For example, the Fall semester in Japan may begin in October; students participating in a full-year exchange may not return until around the end of August of the following year, and transcripts from many partner universities may not be available until mid-September at the earliest. Graduating students may therefore face delayed graduation because they must complete NTHU requirements and wait for the partner university's grades to be released; this is considered a normal consequence of exchange participation. Students must carefully check whether the partner university's academic calendar conflicts with their future plans, such as further study, graduation, or employment. Master's students should pay particular attention to the validity period of their thesis/oral examination eligibility and refer to the Division of Registration's regulations concerning departure procedures for master's students.
19. In response to developments in epidemics/pandemics or special international circumstances, governments or partner universities may adjust relevant policies, including last-minute cancellation or termination of Fall 2027 or Spring 2028 exchange programs or a switch to online instruction. Any resulting expenses, such as airfare or visa fees, must be borne by the student. Students are therefore advised to prepare alternative plans in addition to their Fall 2027 / Spring 2028 exchange plans, such as further study, graduation, or completion of required credits. If a student has delayed graduation because of exchange status and the reason for the exchange no longer exists (for example, if the program is cancelled), the student must graduate in that semester and may not further postpone graduation on the basis of the exchange.
20. NTHU contacts for overseas partner-university exchange programs: Ssu Chan / I-Lin Tsai, Global Academic Cooperation Division, Office of Global Affairs. Email: sychan@mx.nthu.edu.tw / ilintsai@mx.nthu.edu.tw. Tel: +886-3-571-5131, ext. 62457 / 33430.