

# 國家科學及技術委員會臺灣講座計畫

## 徵選海外學者及合作機構補助須知

### **National Science and Technology Council Taiwan Studies Program: Overview, Guidelines, and Application Process**

#### **I. Program objectives**

The Taiwan Studies Program (TSP) of the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC) aims to support top international universities in dedicating efforts towards Taiwan studies and enhancing the level of research mechanisms. Partnering universities can appoint endowed chairs to integrate Taiwan studies scholars and researchers, expand regional inter-university research communities; or appoint early-career professors to offer Taiwan studies courses and establish research promotion mechanisms; or have veteran scholars serve as research mentors to guide the direction of Taiwan studies and develop potential networks.

#### **II. Grant categories and execution periods**

TSP grant applications encompass the following three distinct categories:

##### **1. 國科會臺灣研究捐贈講座教授 NSTC Endowed Chair of Taiwan Studies :**

Universities can appoint an endowed chair professor to facilitate integration and enhancement of Taiwan studies research areas. The work shall include (but is not limited to) planning Taiwan studies programs within the university, developing local or regional Taiwan studies academic communities, recruiting full-time researchers, and planning collaborative research with local universities in Taiwan.

Grant applications are open to universities and academy-level institutions by submitting a project proposal. **The maximum grant amount available is US\$ 1 million (or the equivalent in local fiat currency).** If selected, the institution will receive a one-time payment of the grant amount to establish a permanent fund, and the generated profits and revenues will be utilized to support the program contents. The recipient institution provides matching fund contribution of 50% on a dollar-for-dollar basis to support the project.

**2. 國科會臺灣研究新銳教授 NSTC Early Career Scholar (Professor) of Taiwan Studies :**

Universities can appoint or recruit full-time professors with academic potential to enhance the university's Taiwan research mechanisms and facilitate more extensive research collaborations by making use of institutional resources. The work shall include (but is not limited to) offering Taiwan studies-related courses, implementing Taiwan studies-related plans, integrating the university's Taiwan studies capabilities, promoting joint research or academic publications with local universities in Taiwan, and cooperating with relevant projects of national ministries and commissions.

Grant applications are open to universities and academy-level institutions by submitting a project proposal. The proposal shall elaborate on the recommended scholar's capabilities in teaching and research related to Taiwan studies, the proportion of time devoted to this project, and plans for follow-up tenured appointment or other long-term contracts after the collaboration period ends. **The grant term is 5 years in principle, with an annual cap of US\$ 120,000 or the equivalent in local fiat currency (totaling US\$600,000).** The maximum appointment term

may be adjusted in accordance with institutional promotion rules as announced by the university. If selected, the institution will receive annual disbursements of up to the annual capped amount.

**3. 國科會臺灣研究導師 NSTC Mentorship of Taiwan Studies :**

Universities can recruit veteran professors or researchers with outstanding academic achievements related to East Asian and Taiwan studies to guide the development direction of Taiwan studies. The work shall include (but is not limited to) instructing young scholars, organizing academic conferences and community activities on Taiwan studies, and facilitating regional or international academic cooperation channels.

Grant applications are open to the senior scholars themselves, or recommended by NSTC overseas offices or professors in related fields in Taiwan before the candidates submit the application. **The maximum grant term is 2 years, with a total budget cap of US\$ 20,000 (or the equivalent in local fiat currency).** If selected, the institution employing the senior scholar will receive the grant amount in one or multiple installments.

**III. Eligibility and application procedure**

1. Eligibility:

Universities from all countries (with a priority for Europe and the US) that have ranked within the top 1,000 in the QS World University Rankings or the top 500 in the field of humanities and social sciences in the recent three years are eligible to apply. Other research institutions deemed eligible by this program are also welcome to apply. Institutions with (but not limited to) expertise in Chinese studies, East Asian studies, politics, history, culture, and other Taiwan-related humanities and social science fields are highly preferred.

2. Application procedure:

- A. Visit the official application website of the program and download the guidelines and application form:  
<https://taiwanphs.stpi.narl.org.tw/project/tphs-en/index>. Register and log in to the application website at <https://exp.stpi.narl.org.tw/project/TPHS/login>. Follow the system prompts to fill out the forms and upload the required application materials. After submitting the application, please send an email to confirm at **taiwan\_phs@narlabs.org.tw**.
3. Please submit the following English application forms and documents according to each grant category. For the most recent version, refer to the official application website.

### **NSTC Endowed Chair of Taiwan Studies**

#### (1) Application form (refer to Attachment 1 for more details)

##### A. Candidate description:

This section should include the individual's educational background, professional expertise, research accomplishments, and teaching experience and should emphasize their research experience and achievements with respect to Taiwan-related topics.

##### B. Information on the applying organization:

Please describe the achievements and current state of the applying organization with respect to Taiwan-related research. This includes the organization's research accomplishments, organizational and curriculum plans, collaborative research, and international collaboration accomplishments.

##### C. Collaborative project:

Please describe the goals and implementation methods of the collaborative project, including the curriculum development plans, academic research plans, research projects intended to be conducted in collaboration with universities based in Taiwan, and international networking and exchange activities or objectives.

D. Budget proposal:

For the organizational information form and budget proposal, the applying organization may either use the templates provided on the TSP's official website or use their own forms, provided that all required information (as specified in the templates) is included.

- (2) Curriculum vitae of the principal investigator
- (3) Salary reference information for the candidate (or equivalent level) provided by the applying organization
- (4) Letter of consent from the dean of the college regarding the establishment of the course.
- (5) Other documents or information that would be helpful in the review process

**NSTC Early-Career Scholar/Professor of Taiwan Studies**

- (1) Application form (refer to Attachment 2 for more details)

A. Candidate or job description:

This section should include the individual's educational background, professional expertise, research accomplishments, and teaching experience and emphasize their research experience and achievements with respect to Taiwan-related topics. Provide a detailed description of their job duties and the candidates' qualifications.

B. Teaching and research proposal:

Provide a complete outline for the curriculum and research. If a department has yet to appoint faculty, the department should explain its plan for recruiting candidates for the position and how the to-be-created position will contribute to the achievement of specific goals.

C. Information on the applying organization:

List the applying organization's achievements and current state with respect to Taiwan-related research, including the existing curriculum structure and organizational members.

D. Collaborative project:

Describe the goals of the collaborative project, including

the relationships between the candidates recruited for the position and existing organization, potential collaboration opportunities for enhancing interorganizational connections, and plans for long-term appointments beyond the collaboration period.

E. Budget proposal:

For the organizational information form and budget proposal, the applying organization may either use the templates provided on the TSP's official website or use their own forms, provided that all required information (as specified in the templates) is included.

- (2) Curriculum vitae of the principal investigator
- (3) Salary reference information for the candidate (or equivalent level) provided by the applying organization
- (4) Letter of consent from the dean of the college regarding the establishment of the course.
- (5) Other documents or information that would be helpful in the review process

### **NSTC Mentorship of Taiwan Studies**

(1) Application form (refer to Attachment 3 for more details)

A. Candidate description:

This section should include the individual's educational background, professional expertise, research accomplishments, and teaching experience and emphasize their research experience and achievements with respect to Taiwan-related topics.

B. Collaboration and networking plans:

Please provide an estimate for the duration of the plan and identify universities and potential partners for the promotion of Taiwan studies.

C. Budget proposal:

The applying organization may either use the template provided on the TSP's official website or use their own forms, provided that all required information is included

(as specified in the template).

- (2) Other documents or information that would be helpful in the review process

#### **IV. Application Period**

Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis. Applying organizations shall be notified individually of the review results within 3 months of the receipt of the application. If necessary, extensions may be granted.

#### **V. Notices**

1. All applications and grant items under this program must be reviewed and approved by the committee organized by the NSTC and subsequently announced. Once a collaborative project is established, the Science and Technology Policy Research and Information Center (STPI) of the National Applied Research Laboratories (NARLabs) will represent the executing unit in signing a contract with the collaborating institution. The rights and obligations of both parties will be primarily based on the terms stipulated in the contract, with detailed provisions on the collaborating institution's tasks, assessments, and grant disbursement methods.
2. For approved applications, if the collaborating institution wishes to adjust or change the implementation details during the execution period, including project extensions or terminations, they must immediately notify the program office. If necessary, this program may request the collaborating institution to adjust the content of the project.
3. Scholars receiving grants under this program who are found to have violated academic ethics must be promptly reported by the collaborating institution to the executing unit of this program. If the institution's academic review committee determines a violation of academic ethics, the scholar may be required to return the

received grant, depending on the severity of the violation.

4. If vacancies arise for any positions during the execution period due to various factors, the institution must submit a proposal for a new appointee upon becoming aware of the vacancy. Detailed regulations on this matter are specified in the contract.
5. If a consensus on the implementation details cannot be reached between the collaborating institution and this program, the institution may be asked to make improvements within a specified period. If necessary, grant support may also be terminated.
6. Collaborating institutions must submit an annual progress report detailing substantial achievements and the status of fund utilization (the funds should be verified by the institution's accounting unit).
7. Relevant information and announcements related to this program can be found on the website:

<https://taiwanphs.stpi.narl.org.tw/project/tphs/index>

Contact: **[taiwan\\_phs@narlabs.org.tw](mailto:taiwan_phs@narlabs.org.tw)**



## **Application for NSTC Endowed Chair of Taiwan Studies Program**

### **1. Basic Information** \*You may change the size of the form or add rows as needed.

Project Title	
Name of the Principal Investigator	
Email Address of the Principal Investigator	
Name of the Applying Organization	

\*Ensure that this application is submitted by the college, department, or research center. The Principal Investigator should be the person in charge of the applying organization.

### **2. Endowed Chair**

- Curriculum Vitae  
Provide the curriculum vitae of candidates being recruited for endowed chair positions.

### **3. Status of the Applying Organization**

- Organization information  
Provide information on the applying organization. The required information is indicated on the form provided on the official website.
  
- Taiwan studies–related information  
Provide information on the applying organization’s background in Taiwan studies as well as its research areas and achievements.
  - (1) Academic research team  
Provide information on the academic research teams and their strengths in the field of Taiwan studies at the applying organization.
  - (2) Teaching resources  
Describe the Taiwan studies resources of the applying organization, such as available courses and degree programs.
  - (3) Collaborative programs with Taiwan  
Please provide information on the formal and informal exchanges and academic activities between the applying organization and organizations in Taiwan.

(4) International cooperation project

Describe the organization's experiences with international cooperation with countries other than Taiwan.

**4. Program Description**

● Target outcomes

Describe the organization's broader and long-term goals for the program.

● Academic activity enhancement plan (research and teaching)

Describe how you will strengthen the program through teaching and research projects. If there is no plan in place, describe your preliminary plans.

● Academic or Research exchange with Taiwan

Provide a detailed proposal that includes planned activities and potential outcomes (i.e., publications, events, etc.).

● International networking activity planning

Provide a detailed proposal that includes planned activities and potential outcomes (i.e., publications, events, etc.).

● Budget planning

Describe the budget and how income will be managed.

**5. Status of Applications for Other Grants**

Grant Period	Title of grant	Amount	Sponsoring Organization	Status

## Application for NSTC Early-Career Scholar/Professor of Taiwan Studies Program

### 1. Program Overview \*You may change the size of the form or add rows as needed.

Name of the Applying Organization	
Name of the Principal Investigator	
Project Title	

\*Ensure that this application is submitted by the college, department, or research center. The Principal Investigator should be the person in charge of the applying organization.

### 2. Early-Career Scholar/Professor of Taiwan Studies

- **Obligations during the project**  
Describe your plans related to this position, including your duties and responsibilities, as well as your long-term plans for collaborating with the university.
- **Curriculum Vitae**  
Provide the curriculum vitae of the candidate.  
If no candidate has been selected yet, provide a recruitment notice for the position and detailed plans regarding the job vacancy.

### 3. Teaching Plans

\*Provide a complete course syllabus.

If no faculty member has been appointed, explain the current teaching plan (e.g., current curriculum) and which aspects you will strengthen through the position.

### 4. Research Project

Title	
Abstract	
Expected Results (i.e., publication, event, etc.)	

\*Provide a complete research proposal.

If no professor has been appointed, explain the expected research direction and how the research can help you achieve your goals.

### 5. Organization Information

- Provide information regarding the applying organization. The required information can be found on the form provided on the official website.
- List the achievements and current status of the applying organization in relation to Taiwan, including the existing curriculum framework, members, and other relevant information.

**6. Project Objectives**

- Target outcomes  
Provide specific and quantifiable outcomes and explain them in a bulleted list.
- Project timeline
- Collaboration with the university  
Please describe how this position will collaborate with existing university faculty and how this collaboration can enhance the university's research on Taiwan studies.
- Collaboration with new partners  
Describe potential academic collaboration with external partners.
- Long-term plans after grant
- Budget planning

\*Provide a detailed program proposal.

**6. Status of Applications for Other Grants**

Grant Period	Title of Grant	Amount	Sponsoring Organization	Status

## Application for NSTC Mentorship of Taiwan Studies Program

### 1. Basic Information\*You may change the size of the form or add rows as needed.

Project Title	
Name of the Principal Investigator	
Email Address of the Principal Investigator	
Name of the Applying Organization	

### 2. Mentorship in Taiwan Studies

#### Curriculum Vitae

Provide the curriculum vitae of candidates for mentorship positions.

### 3. Project Objectives

Target Outcomes
*Please provide specific and quantifiable outcomes and explain them in a bulleted list.
Project Timeline
Collaboration with Potential Partners
Budget

\*Provide a detailed program proposal.