

**Description**

**NSRRC International PhD Program** provides an opportunity for students to experience the campus life in renowned universities and also work in the advanced research facility in Taiwan. For administrative reasons, students of NSRRC International PhD Program will officially register at one of our partner universities, including National Tsing Hua University (NTHU), National Chiao Tung University (NCTU), National Sun Yat-Sen University (NSYSU), National Central University and National Cheng Kung University (NCKU), as full time students. Each student will be co-supervised by a NSRRC staff and a faculty member of partner universities with the subject of his/her thesis in the field of “science and technology of advanced light source”. After fulfilling the course requirement of the enrolled department, the student will be granted a graduate degree from the partner university.

**Application Qualifications**

I. Foreign students refer to those whose nationality is not Republic of China (as defined in Article 2 of Nationality Law of Republic of China) and those who do not meet the following conditions. In case of violation of the qualification rules, their admission will be withdrawn or the student status will be revoked.

- Possess overseas Chinese status or had previously applied for colleges/universities with such status in Taiwan.
- Finished high school programs in Taiwan with foreign student status (except those offered by Educational Institutions for Foreign Residents or high school bilingual programs), or once was withdrawn from colleges/universities in Taiwan.
- Hold the nationality of Hong Kong, Macau, and People’s Republic of China.
- Once held the nationality of Republic of China and renounced it for less than 8 years (till the date school begins).

II. Foreign students with a bachelor's degree in nature science or engineering are eligible for applying graduate study in Master's programs; with a Master's degree in nature science or engineering for graduate study in Ph.D. programs.

III. Students commit to pursue his/her graduate study in the fields of "science and technology of advanced light source".

### **How to Apply**

Applicants must submit the following materials to the Office of International PhD program with the address below. Application materials have to arrive at the office no later than **March 1**.

### **Office of International PhD Program**

**National Synchrotron Radiation Research Center**

**101 Hsin-Ann Road**

**Hsinchu, 30076**

**Taiwan**

Applicants should also apply for the admission of the department in at least one of the NSRRC partner universities of his/her choice degree with a note indicating such application for NSRRC International PhD Program.

### **Required Application Documents**

- (1) Two copies of completed application form. (available in website [edu.nsrcc.org.tw](http://edu.nsrcc.org.tw))
- (2) A photocopy of Certificated of Nationality (passport, residence certificate or birth certificate)
- (2) A photocopy of original diploma of the highest degree obtained with verification by the Taiwanese government representative office in the country of their original

school (an English or Chinese verified copy is also necessary if the original diploma is not in English or Chinese).

(3) A copy of academic transcript for coursework completed beyond the high school level with verification by the Taiwanese government representative office in the country of their original school (an English or Chinese verified copy is also necessary if the original diploma is not in English or Chinese).

(4) Three letters of reference

(5) Statement of purpose

(6) Proficiency in English and/or Chinese, as demonstrated per

a. **TOEFL** score of *at least* (select one):

- 550 on the paper-based
- 213 on the computer-based
- 79-80 on the new internet-based TOEFL (TOEFL-iBT)

For more information about the TOEFL exam, please visit

[TOEFL Home on the Web](#)

b. **GEPT** - instead of TOEFL, applicants in Taiwan may take the General English Proficiency Test (GEPT), administered by the Language Training and Testing Center. Under this option, applicants must submit their *high-intermediate level certificate* with the application

For more information about the GEPT, please visit

[The Language Training & Testing Center online](#)

c. **IELTS** - generally, IELTS test score is accepted by all TIGP Ph. D. programs as an indication of English proficiency. A *minimum overall Band Score of 5.5 on the Academic Test, taken within the past 2 years*, is required for admission to programs that accept IELTS score (please refer to the specific admission requirements of your program)

For more information about the IELTS, please visit

[International English Language Testing System online](#)

d. Qualification granted by NSRRC interview committee members.

## **Fellowships and Fees**

Fellowship will be granted for applicants who receive admission and commit to pursue his/her graduate study in the fields of “science and technology of advanced light source. The stipend levels are about NTD 32,000/month (~US\$1,000) for three years. The academic performance of each student will be reviewed by the Academic Committee every year and the students are requested to give a report every year. Academic Committee would terminate the fellowship in case of any academic failure or improper behavior. The fellowship would be cancelled, if the recipients apply for leaves of absence, dismissal or graduation.

After three years, students who pass qualify examination are eligible to apply for **NSRRC PhD Candidate Fellowship** with stipend NTD 38,000/month (~US\$1,180) on the year-by-year base.

**International travel scholarship** to attend international conference abroad will be available for students with good academic performance.

Students are responsible to the tuition fees, credit fees and other expenses paid to the partner university, in which they enrolled.

