### General Information

#### Introduction to PAX

PAX (Program for Academic Exchange) is a student exchange program, designed to facilitate international cooperation and exchange with partner institutions of NCHU. This program offers incoming exchange students diverse courses in Chinese or English in the Colleges of Liberal Arts, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Engineering, Veterinary Medicine, Management, Law and Politics, Life Sciences, and Science. Each student will be assigned a mentor professor for consultation during his/her stay in Taiwan. Chinese language courses are provided to enhance students’ Chinese comprehension and cultural experience in Taiwan. NCHU also provides scholarship/benefits in the forms of tuition waiver, dormitory, and living stipends.

**Lab Exchange:** Students with the following backgrounds, Agriculture, Science, Engineering, Life Sciences and Veterinary Medicine, may chance to apply LAB Exchange.

We welcome students who are interested in learning more about Taiwan to join PAX and share your culture with us!

#### Eligibility

1. Full-time undergraduate or graduate students currently enrolled at NCHU partner institutions, and
2. Successfully completed at least one year of study at home institution, and
3. Nominated by the Office of International Affairs or equivalent office of the home institution according to exchange agreements.

**Note** There is no specific language proficiency or GPA requirement set for PAX applicants to NCHU. Students need to fulfill the exchange students qualification set by the home university.

#### Term Selection

1. Fall Term (Sept. 2015 - Jan. 2016), or
2. Spring Term (Feb. 2016 – June 2016), or
3. One academic year (Sept. 2015 - June 2016).

**Note** The maximum duration of PAX (Program for Academic Exchange) is one academic year.
## PAX Benefits

* No additional application needed

1. **Tuition waiver** (mandatory insurance fee is **NOT** covered, which is around NT$ 800/US$25 per month)
2. Chinese Language courses for international Students provided by the Language Center at NCHU.
3. Campus housing, based on the Memorandum of Understanding between each partner university (four(4) students per room; utilities and other fees are **NOT** covered)
4. Monthly Stipend may be offered, based on reciprocity between each partner university (about NT$3000-6000/US$100-200 per month)

**Note** Benefits only apply to the nominees within the agreed quota of the partner university agreement.

### Application

**Number of nominees**
The number of students to be exchanged is limited to two (2) students from each university per academic year (equivalent to four (4) student semester places), unless otherwise is specified in the agreement. The maximum number under the agreement is not always guaranteed, due to the capacity of each partner institutions.

**Note** Additional nominees are welcome but tuition fees and other payments may apply if admitted. Partner institutions must specify “additional” candidates in the nomination form.

**Nomination Deadline**
* Coordinator

**April 10, 2015**
Program coordinator of partner institute:

Please fill in the nomination form (online) by April 10, 2015. Please nomination online at Office of International Affairs

**Note** We only accept nomination once per academic year. Application for any term during the 2015-2016 academic year, including Fall 2015 & Spring 2016 & Fall 2015- Spring 2016, should follow the same nomination and application deadline.

**Application Deadline**
* Student

**April 30, 2015** (Online application available for only 10 days: **April 21 ~ April 30, 2015**)
Nominated Student:

After confirming the nomination by partner institutions, we will set up the online application ID and Password to nominated student by **April 17**. Please apply online at Office of International Affairs

**Required Documents**
* Apply online

1. Application Form
2. Official Certificate of Enrollment issued by the student’s home institution
3. Official academic transcripts issued by the student’s home institution (must be Chinese or English copy)
4. Two Letters of Recommendation
5. Plan of study (written in Chinese or English)
6. Autobiography (300 to 500 words, written in Chinese or English)
7. Optional- Additional materials helpful for admission review

【Note】Please scan your documents, we do not accept blurred documents.

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### Academic Information

#### Areas of Study
NCHU offers courses in Chinese or English in the fields of Liberal Arts, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Engineering, Veterinary Medicine, Management, Law and Politics, Life Sciences, and Science.
Department websites please visit Office of International Affairs (Home> International Students> Exchange Students (PAX)> Academics).

#### Courses Selection
1. Please check courses at Division of Curriculum
2. Any question about the course query system, please contact course@dragon.nchu.edu.tw (Division of Curriculum, Office of Academic Affairs).
3. For more information, such as a detailed description about courses in a particular field, or English taught courses in the future semesters, please contact the respective department directly.

#### Course Registration
1. **1 credit at NCHU = 1 hour*18 weeks.**
2. PAX students are required to register for at least 6 credits with 1 course in his/her hosting department/institute. The students may also choose courses available in the hosting college to meet this requirement. If students wish to take courses in Chinese, they must show some Chinese proficiency and get approval from the course instructor.
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* Please refer to the website of OIA for the latest updated academic schedule. *

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### PAX Program and Student Life – more online!

#### PAX information

**Office of International Affairs** (Home > International Students > Exchange Students – PAX)
We will keep the PAX information most updated on our website.

#### Information for international Student

**Office of International Affairs** (Home > International Students > Living in Taichung > About Taichung City)

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