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## BACS-TAIWAN SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2012 - NOTES FOR APPLICANTS -

Applications must be submitted by your Departmental Deadline, and all applications must reach BACS by 29 February 2012

Please read these notes carefully before completing the cover sheet and application form.

The BACS-Taiwan language scholarships provide a monthly stipend of NT\$25,000. Scholarship funds must be used to pay for registration and course fees at approved language centres/universities in Taiwan. The remainder of the grant represents a contribution towards maintenance costs.

**Eligibility (Please refer also the section 4 of the “Foreign Student Information for UK Applicants” issued by the Taiwan ROC Ministry of Education.)**

1. The language scholarships are open to anyone holding a full UK passport. The Taipei Representative Office regrets that non-UK nationals will have to apply through offices in their respective countries. A list of these is available on request from the TRO Cultural Division (for address, see below).
2. Applicants who are studying Chinese at any level are particularly encouraged. First year students may be considered for awards, although preference will be given to more advanced students who may have previously visited China or Taiwan (but not those who have held a government scholarship in Taiwan, who are ineligible).
3. Students who are currently studying in Taiwan or who hold or have held in the past any form of government scholarship in Taiwan are NOT eligible.
4. Applicants must be able to pay for their own return airfare to Taiwan in order to be considered for the scholarship.

### **Application procedure**

The British Association for Chinese Studies (BACS) administers the academic selection process only. (You must read the “Foreign Student Information for UK Applicants” issued by the ROC Ministry of Education as well as these notes.) Questions relating to this or pertaining to references should be directed in the first place to your head of department and then to the BACS co-ordinator for the scholarships.

1. Applicants must complete **both** the the BACS cover sheet and the official ROC (Taiwan) Ministry of Education Huayu Enrichment Scholarship application form.
2. All applications must be accompanied by a photograph attached to the official form where indicated.
3. Under Point 8 of the official application form, your study plan should consist of a statement of not more than 300 words explaining your reasons for wanting to study in Taiwan.
4. All applicants must submit an up-to-date academic transcript.
5. Proof of application to a recognised Taiwanese language centre (e.g. photocopy of completed application form or notification of receipt from the language centre's admissions department) must be included. A list of language centres can be obtained from your department, or from the website:  
<http://english.moe.gov.tw/ct.asp?xItem=9693&CtNode=417&mp=1>
6. Applicants currently, or recently, studying in UK departments of Chinese or Chinese Studies must apply through their departments. Completed application forms **MUST BE** submitted to your department by the **internal deadline** which will be posted in your department. Independent applicants should send their forms directly to the BACS as below.
7. **Two** confidential references must be supplied, on the form attached to these notes, which should be given to your referees who should send completed forms either to the UK university department through whom the applicant is applying **OR** directly to the BACS. Independent applicants should ask their referees to send the forms back to the BACS directly.
8. All applications must include **four copies (top copy plus three additional copies) of all the completed application documents and reference forms**. Incomplete applications, which do not have all the required documentation, will not be considered. Applicants applying independently should submit their applications (likewise four copies of all forms) directly to me, **to arrive** no later than **Wednesday, 29 February 2012** to the following address:

**Dr T. T. Liu**  
**Co-ordinator for the BACS-Taiwan Scholarship programme 2012-3,**  
**Institute for Chinese Studies,**  
**University of Oxford,**  
**Walton St,**  
**Oxford, OX1 2HG**

**Applications must be submitted by the internal deadline set by your department. BACS must receive ALL applications by Wednesday 29 February 2012 at the latest. Late applications will not be considered.**

#### **Interview by telephone or videolink**

Please note that all applicants must be prepared to participate in a telephone or videolink interview after submitting their application, most likely towards the end of March. You will be further informed if selected for interview (Section 5 "Foreign Student Information for UK Applicants" issued by the ROC Ministry of Education").

#### **Communication of results**

Results of the BACS selection will be communicated to departments and individual applicants in late March or early April 2012. However, the official offer will come from the

Taipei Representative Office in the UK. BACS is unable to enter into any correspondence regarding the results of the selection.

The Cultural Division of the Taipei Representative Office (TRO) is responsible for all other information and administrative arrangements, e.g. visas, health certificates, stipends etc. and should be contacted directly at this address: Ms Olivia Saunders, Cultural Division, TRO, Suite 3, 73/75 Mortimer Street, London W1W 7SQ. Tel: 020 7436 5888, Fax: 020 7436 2605. E-mail: [eduuk3@btconnect.com](mailto:eduuk3@btconnect.com)

**Successful candidates will be expected to accept or decline the scholarship offer within 14 days of notification.**

Successful candidates should also note the following:-

1. The Taiwanese authorities have made the continuation of the scholarship dependent on academic performance of the student. This refers, in particular, to class attendance: If you are absent for more than a certain percentage of classes per month, your scholarship may be terminated.
2. You will be required to have a test for HIV. HIV certificates are not valid if older than six months. This is a requirement of the Taiwanese authorities and cannot be waived.

**CHECK LIST** for despatch: **FOUR** copies of each of the following, which should be collated into four identical sets:

1 BACS cover sheet for applications	
2 Application form for ROC Ministry of Education Huayu Enrichment Scholarship	
3 Photograph attached to above	
4 Photocopy of valid passport	
5 Photocopy of highest level credential and academic transcript	
6 Proof of application to a recognised Taiwanese language centre	
<b>7 NB</b> Please give forms for Confidential References to referees for completion	

**BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR CHINESE STUDIES**  
**COVER SHEET FOR APPLICATION TO**  
**BACS-TAIWAN SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2012**

**COVER SHEET PAGE 1**

Please read the accompanying notes carefully before completing and returning this **cover sheet** (2 pages) and **application form for the ROC (Taiwan) Ministry of Education** and the other documents. If you are applying through your department, please send to the appropriate person before your department's internal deadline in March. Applications must be received by the BACS from departments by **Wednesday, 29 February 2012**. If you are applying independently, please send by 29 February 2012 directly to Dr T. T. Liu, Institute for Chinese Studies, University of Oxford, Walton St, Oxford, OX1 2HG , U.K.

Full name .....

Email address.....

**ARE YOU APPLYING FOR (tick ONE option)**

<b>A TWO-MONTHS SCHOLARSHIP: JULY AND AUGUST 2012</b> (Priority will be given to students just before their final year of study)	
<b>A SIX-MONTHS SCHOLARSHIP: SEPTEMBER 2012 – FEBRUARY 2013</b>	
<b>A SIX-MONTHS SCHOLARSHIP: MARCH 2013 – AUGUST 2013</b>	
<b>A ONE-YEAR SCHOLARSHIP: SEPTEMBER 2012 – AUGUST 2013</b>	

**If you applied for a one-year scholarship and were unsuccessful, would you wish to be considered for a six-month scholarship?**

YES / NO

IF YES, THEN SEPTEMBER 2012 – FEBRUARY 2013 or MARCH 2013 – AUGUST 2013 (please circle your choice)

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**COVER SHEET PAGE 2**

Term-time address and telephone number.....

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Easter holiday address and telephone number.....

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Place of study in the UK.....

Year of study.....

Degree course (indicate subjects of study if necessary).....

'A' and 'S' Levels / Highers / SYS (with grades.....

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Other relevant qualifications.....

- I am / am not currently studying at a Mandarin Language Centre or any university or college in Taiwan (*circle*).
- I have / have not been previously supported by the ROC to study in Taiwan to Taiwan before (*circle*)
- I confirm that I shall be able to pay for the return fare to Taipei

**Signature of applicant:**

**Date:**

# BACS-TAIWAN SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME 2011 CONFIDENTIAL REFERENCE FORM

<b>Application No.</b> <b>(For official use only)</b> <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin: 2px 0;"/> <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin: 2px 0;"/>
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<b>Name of applicant (in block letters):</b>
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Please tick ✓ the appropriate box for each of the questions below.

1. Compared to other students *of the same level* (e.g. 3<sup>rd</sup>-year/4<sup>th</sup>-year Chinese Studies; MA/MSc conversion/advanced), this student's proficiency in Chinese reading and writing ranks in the:

Top 10%	Top 25%	Top 50%	Bottom 50%	Bottom 25%

2. Similarly, compared to other students *of the same level* of study, this student's proficiency in Chinese speaking and listening ranks in the:

Top 10%	Top 25%	Top 50%	Bottom 50%	Bottom 25%

3. This student's level of diligence (e.g. participation in class, promptness of work submission, etc.) is:

Excellent	Very Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Below average	Poor

4. This student's attendance record is:

Excellent	Very Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Below average	Poor

5. This student's level of motivation and commitment to studying Chinese is:

Excellent	Very Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Below average	Poor

6. This student's level of honesty, reliability and maturity is:

Excellent	Very Satisfactory	Satisfactory	Below average	Poor

7. Any further comments (in English or Chinese):

**Name of referee (in block letters):**

**Relationship to applicant (e.g. university tutor):**

**Signature of referee:**

**Date:**

*Please return completed forms EITHER to the university department through which the applicant is applying OR directly to Dr T.T.Liu, BACS Co-ordinator for HES, Institute for Chinese Studies, Walton St, Oxford, OX1 2HG UK*