

NATIONAL YANG MING CHIAO TUNG UNIVERSITY (NYCU)

Admission Guidelines

International Semiconductor Talents Education Special Program FOR INTERNATIONAL DEGREE STUDENTS (Spring 2025)

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Office of International Affairs**

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I. Application Procedure

A. Application Dates

Schedule for Spring 2025 Application	Date (GMT+8, Taiwan Time)
Online application system starts https://reurl.cc/oRN0nV	September 20, 2024
Online application deadline	PM 23:59, October 15, 2024 (GMT+8, Taiwan Time)
Online announcement of application results (including scholarships)	December 20, 2024 *Actual announcements and admission notifications are subject to internal review schedules of the Ministry of Education, and the timing of announcements may be adjusted accordingly.
Admitted students' reply deadline	December 31, 2024 *Actual announcements and admission notifications are subject to internal review schedules of the Ministry of Education, and the timing of announcements may be adjusted accordingly.
Start of the semester	February 7, 2025

B. Eligibility

Please refer to the Regulations Regarding International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan by the Ministry of Education:

<http://law.moj.gov.tw/Eng/LawClass/LawAll.aspx?PCode=H0110001> (English)

<http://law.moj.gov.tw/LawClass/LawAll.aspx?PCode=H0110001> (Chinese)

Please refer to Article 2 of the Nationality Act regarding Article 2 of the Regulations Regarding International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan:

<http://law.moj.gov.tw/Eng/LawClass/LawAll.aspx?PCode=D0030001>

※Applicants who do not meet the aforementioned qualifications shall have their admission qualifications, student registration, or graduation certificates cancelled or suspended. Violation of the aforementioned regulations shall result in the denial of all relevant academic documents.

C. Application Procedure

1. Please confirm that you satisfy the criteria to be considered an international student (Please refer to **B. Eligibility**).
2. Please confirm that the department/program you wish to apply for is open to enrolling international students, and please submit the application data in the online application system on this website.
3. Please read the regulations written in this admission guide carefully to verify whether the department you wish to apply for has specified which information you ought to submit, in addition to other requirements.
4. Application documents must be submitted via the online application system by the application deadline along with two letters of recommendation. Please note that the system will send the links to the letters of recommendation to the referees (the people who wrote those letters) after your application is submitted.
5. After the application is submitted, you will receive a confirmation letter titled “Online Application Submitted” from the system. Please confirm that you have received this letter. Applications without the letter of confirmation will not be accepted.

6. Please email admissionoia@nycu.edu.tw for any questions during the application. Late applications or applications with missing information will not be accepted.

D. Notes to the Applicant

1. Applicants are allowed to apply to no more than three departments. If an applicant is accepted by more than one department, the applicant can register and enroll in only one department.
2. All applicants must submit the required documents via the online application system. Multiple uploads and file updates are permitted before the deadline. Please check that the uploaded data are accurate and click on “Confirm Submission” to complete the application. The application review is based on the final, confirmed set of files that the applicant has submitted, and the applicant cannot request to modify or supplement the files for any reasons whatsoever after final confirmation.
3. The application documents shall be submitted as PDF files except for photographs, which shall be submitted as JPG files. Please upload each document individually to each corresponding document field. Only one file can be uploaded for each document item. If you have multiple files you wish to upload to one item, please combine them into one single file before uploading. Files cannot be added or replaced after the application deadline.
4. Please read the regulations of this admission guide carefully before submitting your application, including those pertaining to the application criteria of each department. Applicants shall bear responsibility for cancelled applications or any negative impact on their review results that may arise from unqualified applications, inconsistent submission forms, or incomplete submitted data.
5. Please submit all data by the application deadline. Applicants are wholly responsible if their application is deemed to be unqualified as a result of delayed data submission.
6. Should there be any doubt regarding the submitted application data, NYCU may demand the applicant to mail original copies of the relevant documents, which shall not be returned regardless of whether the applicant is accepted.
7. Admission to NYCU does not guarantee you access to the visa issued by the diplomatic missions of Taiwan. Your visa is subject to approval only by the Bureau of Consular Affairs or by Foreign Embassies of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of China.

E. Required Documents

1. **Application form**

To be filled out in the online application system.

2. **Study plan in Chinese or English**

3. **Official degree certificates**

New graduates are required to submit the graduation certificates issued by their educational institutions. New graduates who have yet to receive their official graduation or provisional certificates must request their educational institution to issue official documentation stating when the official graduation certificate will be issued, and new graduates must receive their official certificates before the start of the semester at which they applied for. Upon admission to the university, the official graduation certificates must be submitted by the specific deadline and verified by the diplomatic missions of Taiwan.

- (1) If applicants intending to apply for the doctoral program upload a copy of their Master of Philosophy (MPhil) certificate, they must also upload a certificate of their master's degree to qualify for the doctoral program.
- (2) Applicants who hold degrees from China must submit their graduate certificate(s) and transcripts for verification to qualify for application.
 - Credentials of senior secondary education or lower shall be handled according to the Regulations Regarding the Assessment and Recognition of Academic Credentials from the Mainland Area.
 - Credentials of tertiary education in China must be issued by a school or institution of tertiary education recognized by the Ministry of Education. Certificates of degrees must be submitted to the China Academic Degree and Graduate Education Development Center for verification. Certificates of graduation must be submitted to the China Higher Education Student Information and Career Center for verification. School transcripts must be submitted to the China Academic Degrees and Graduate Education Development Center or China Higher Education Student Information and Career Center for verification.

4. **Full official transcripts (including grade description, GPAs, and class rankings)**

Students who studied in more than one educational institution for the same academic credential are required to submit transcripts from all the educational institutions they attended.

Note:

- (1) To apply for the undergraduate program, please submit your graduation certificate and transcript from high school or higher.

To apply for the master's program, please submit the graduation certificate and transcript of your bachelor's degree or higher.

To apply for the doctoral program, please submit the graduation certificates and transcripts of your master's degree or higher.
- (2) If your educational institutions cannot issue the Chinese or English versions of your graduation certificates and transcripts, please submit the translated copies in Chinese or English. The translated copies must be translated and notarized by the translation agencies registered in the countries where the education institutions are located. If you are enrolled in NYCU, all graduation certificates and transcripts that you submitted, along with their translated copies, shall be verified by Taiwan Embassies or Taiwan Representative Offices in the countries of your educational institutions. If there are no Taiwan Embassies or Taiwan Representative Offices in these countries, please contact the Taiwan Embassies or Taiwan Representative Offices of their neighboring countries through the following link.

<http://www.boca.gov.tw/content?CuItem=1342&mp=1>

5. **Two letters of recommendation**

You must provide letters of recommendation written by no fewer than two recommenders—generally instructors, advising professors, or employers. Please note that the system will send the links to the letters of recommendation to the referees (the people who wrote those letters) after your application is submitted. Please refer to the [paper format](#) provided by this office.

6. **Proof of nationality**

- (1) Applicant's passport (photograph page only).
- (2) For applicants without passports: Other nationality certificates with photographs and English names.
- (3) Alien resident certificate (if you have one).

7. **Financial statement**

Applicants must submit any of the following types of financial statements:

- (1) Proof of government scholarship:
Proof of scholarship issued by the Taiwan government or another government, not including proof of scholarship from NYCU.
- (2) Proof of deposit (Bank statement):
 - ① Amount & Date: Applicants must submit proof of deposit of US \$5000 (NT \$150,000) dated within the past 3 months.
 - ② Sponsorship letter: If the proof of deposit is from a bank account held by anyone other than the applicant, the account holder must sign an affidavit explaining their relationship with the applicant and commitment to paying all the applicant's expenses for their study in Taiwan. A template of the affidavit can be downloaded here. ([Declaration](#)).
 - ③ Currency: If the proof of deposit uses a currency other than US dollars or New Taiwan dollars, the applicant must note the exchange rate and the USD or NTD equivalent on the statement.

8. **Proof of English proficiency (select one):**

- (1) Proof of English proficiency test:
The English language proficiency score requirements for each department are subject to the guidelines published by each department. The recommended scores are as follows: TOEFL-ITP: 500 or above, TOEFL-iBT: 73 or above, IELTS (Academic): 5.5 or above, TOEIC: 750 or above, or English proficiency evidence equivalent to CEFR level B2 or higher. [Please refer to English Proficiency Test Comparison Chart](#).
- (2) Proof of English as Medium of Instruction:
If the courses from the educational institutions of your previous academic credential are fully taught in English, you can request the institutions, departments, or advising professors to issue an official certificate stating that the courses are fully taught in English.
- (3) Nationality Proof of English-speaking country:
Applicants whose nationality or previous academic credentials belong to an English-speaking country are not required to submit proofs of English proficiency and are only required to submit their passports or graduation certificates. English-speaking countries are defined as the United States of America, Canada, the United Kingdom, New Zealand, Australia, and [the list](#).

9. **Proof of Chinese proficiency**

Applicants are recommended to have Chinese language proficiency equivalent to TOCFL A2 (including) or higher in listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills.

For departments offering courses in Chinese: Applicants must submit proof of Chinese language proficiency equivalent to TOCFL A2 (including) or higher.

Please refer to the following link for a table of comparison between TOCFL and HSK levels.
<https://tocfl.edu.tw/index.php/test/reading/list/8>

10. **Special Program Questionnaire**

Please complete the special program questionnaire and upload it to the application system.

11. **Other documents required for specific departments**

For details, refer to the admissions brochure for the current year and the websites of the respective departments.

II. Selection Methods

Applicants of the undergraduate program are selected primarily through a review of their application data. Written and oral tests and interviews are performed according to the regulations of each department. If written or oral tests or interviews are required, the department shall further notify the applicants. The first stage of master and doctoral program applicant selection is conducted primarily through a review of application data. Applicants who pass the first round of tests by the approval by the department may enter the second round of tests, which comprise written or oral tests or interviews.

III. Enrollment Quota and Year of Study

1. In accordance with the Regulations Regarding International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan, the number of enrolled international students shall constitute no more than an additional 10% of the total enrollment quota of the year. The number of international students enrolled in NYCU shall be subject to the quota approved by the Ministry of Education for the given year.
2. Year of Study
Undergraduate program: 4–6 years
Master program: 1–4 years
Doctoral program: 2–7 years

IV. Notification of Application Results and Confirmation of Intent to Enroll

1. The admission result shall be announced at the NYCU Office of Online Application System and sent via email in mid-December (spring semester) or mid-July (fall semester) of each year. Applicants who are not admitted shall also be notified through email.
2. All approved applicants and candidates of NYCU enrollment must confirm their intent online to enroll by the specified deadline. Failure to do so entails that a candidate who was eligible for admission is now ineligible. Failure to do so also entails that a backup candidate is now removed from the waiting list and thus ineligible for potential admission.
3. After the deadline for online confirmation of the intent to enroll, candidates shall be admitted according to the number of vacancies in each department. Candidates who have confirmed their intent online to enroll shall be notified of their eligibility for filling a vacancy in each department by the notification deadline.
4. The deadlines for candidate notification are early August and late December for the fall and spring semesters, respectively.

5. Applicants are required to provide correct mailing addresses for receiving admission notices. Applicants bear full responsibility for any failure to receive the notices that arise due to an incorrect mailing address.

V. Preparing for Admission

Admitted students must submit their graduation certificates and transcripts verified by relevant agencies in accordance with the following regulations and complete the check-in procedure by the date of registration according to the notices:

1. In accordance with the Regulations Governing the Assessment and Recognition of Foreign Academic Records by Institutions of Higher Education, students with foreign academic credentials must have their graduation certificates and transcripts verified by Taiwan Embassies or Taiwan Representative Offices in the countries the educational institutions belong to. If the original documents are written in languages other than Chinese and English, their Chinese and English translations shall also be verified by Taiwan Embassies or Taiwan Representative Offices.
2. Students with academic credentials from Hong Kong or Macao are subject to the Regulations Governing the Examination and Recognition of Educational Records from Hong Kong and Macao.
3. Students with academic credentials from the People's Republic of China are subject to the Regulations Governing the Examination and Recognition of Educational Records from Mainland China.

VI. Scholarship

The scholarship sources for the INTENSE Program include the National Development Fund of the Executive Yuan and the cooperating enterprises, including:

1. Industry-Academia Grants: Provided by the National Development Fund of the Executive Yuan.
 - (1) Necessary administrative expenses for students' first arrival in Taiwan (receipt attached for the reimbursement, with a maximum of NTD. 10,000): The fees are sponsored by the National Development Fund of Executive Yuan, including Health examination fees before arrival in Taiwan, Visa fees, and documents verification fees.
 - (2) One-Way Flight Ticket for the First Arrival in Taiwan: Provided by the National Development Fund, covering a one-way economy class ticket for a direct flight. The maximum reimbursement for countries in the New Southbound Policy region is NT\$9,000, and for countries in Europe and America is NT\$35,000 (receipt required for reimbursement and verification).
 - (3) Tuition and Miscellaneous Fees (up to 2 years): Provided by the National Development Fund, with a maximum of NT\$50,000 per semester. The tuition and miscellaneous fee subsidy is granted for the first year of admission. For the second year, students in Chinese-taught classes must achieve at least a B1 level in the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (TOCFL), and students in English-taught classes must achieve at least an A2 level in both listening and reading. The subsidy is granted based on the review of academic performance and evaluation by the school and cooperating enterprises.
2. Living Allowance: Provided by cooperating enterprises, with a minimum of NT\$10,000 per student per month. In the second year, the allowance will be disbursed only after passing the evaluation by the cooperating enterprises, and students are required to complete a 2-month (paid) summer internship with the cooperating enterprises.
3. Post-Graduation Employment Obligation: After graduation, students are required to work for the cooperating enterprises based on the length of time they received the living allowance. The maximum obligation period is 2 years, and the proportion of time receiving the allowance must match the proportion of time fulfilling the employment obligation. For instance, if a student received 2 years of living allowance, they must fulfill a 2-year employment

obligation with the cooperating enterprises.

4. The INTENSE scholarship repayment principles
 - (1) If a student withdraws from the INTENSE program due to personal reasons during their studies, such as transferring to another school, changing majors, taking a leave of absence to return home, and after counseling from the school still decides not to continue the program or is expelled from the school according to the regulations, the student shall fully repay the received industry-academia scholarship.
 - (2) If a student performs poorly academically, fails to meet the assessment standards of the school and enterprises, and after counseling from the school shows no improvement and is subsequently expelled from the school according to the regulations, the student shall fully repay the received industry-academia scholarship.
 - (3) If a student chooses not to work in a cooperating enterprise or related industry sector after graduation, and after counseling from the school shows no improvement, the student shall fully repay the received industry-academia scholarship.
 - (4) If a student does not work for the cooperating enterprise for the entire period covered by the industry- academia scholarship: the student shall repay the industry-academia scholarship proportionally based on the number of months not employed; if less than one month, it shall be counted as one month.
5. Repayment of Living Allowance for Insufficient Employment: If a student does not complete the required employment duration with the cooperating enterprises, they must repay the living allowance in proportion to the months not worked; if less than one month, it is counted as one month. However, if the cooperating enterprises are subject to any of the conditions listed in Article 11, Paragraph 1, Subparagraphs 1 to 4, or Article 14, Paragraph 1 of the Labor Standards Act, the student may be exempt from repaying the living allowance received.
6. Labor Standards Act: <https://law.moj.gov.tw/ENG/LawClass/LawAll.aspx?pcode=N0030001>

VII. Tuition and Fees

- (1) The amounts listed are subject to change and please refer to the latest announcement for the updated tuition and fees summary of the academic year. <https://reurl.cc/YE5bp0>
- (2) [National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University Directions for Tuition Refund Upon Deregistration: https://reurl.cc/M8M5xv](https://reurl.cc/M8M5xv)

Note:

*US\$1 ≙ NT\$30

*Note: Costs are per person. This list is subject to change without prior notice.

【Chiaotung Campus】

ITEMS	UNDERGRADUATE	GRADUATE
Estimated Tuition (per semester)	NT\$49,540 - NT\$57,980 (US\$1,700 - US\$1,950)	<p><u>*All Departments (except for GMBA)</u> Total Tuition and Miscellaneous Fees (including basic credit fees): NT\$34,095 - NT\$57,945 (US\$1,137 - US\$1,932)</p> <p><u>*Degree Program of Global Business Administration (GMBA)</u> (1) Basic Tuition and Miscellaneous Fees:</p>

		NT\$25,960 (US\$870) (2) Basic Credit Fees: NT\$5,000 per credit (US\$167 per credit)
Campus Facilities Fees	NT\$1,500 (US\$50) per semester	
Books & Supplies	NT\$6,000 - NT\$11,000 (US\$200 - US\$370) per semester	
Student Dormitory (shared room)	NT\$8,000 - NT\$20,500 (US\$266 - US\$400) per person/semester (Room for 4 persons)	
Off-campus housing	NT\$6,000 - NT\$12,000 (US\$200 - US\$400) per month (size & facilities vary)	
Living Expenses	NT\$110,000 - NT\$150,000 (US\$3,350 - US\$4,545) per year (varies per person)	
National Health Insurance	NT\$10,000 (US\$333) per year	

*Graduate program fees (except Degree Program of Global Business Administration) are charged in the manner that the total of tuition and miscellaneous fees are collected for the first two school years, and basic tuition and miscellaneous fees are charged as of the 3rd school year (without credit fees) until graduation.

International College of Semiconductor Technology

International Semiconductor Talents Education Special Program (INTENSE Program)

Intake		Degree Program	Group	Language of Instruction
Spring		Master		English-taught Program
Application Regulations				
Enrollment		35		
Department Restrictions		-		
Academic Grades Criteria		-		
Required Documents		1. Required documents (Application shall not be processed if any of the following required documents is missing):	(1) Admissions application form (2) Study plan (3) Certificate of the highest educational level (certified translation is required if the original certificate is not issued in English or Chinese) (4) Transcripts of the highest educational level (including a description of the grading system, GPA, class or school ranking. Certified translation is required if the original transcript is not issued in English or Chinese) (5) Two letters of recommendation (6) Proof of English language proficiency The English language proficiency of applicants must meet the following minimum requirement: TOEFL-ITP : 500↑、TOEFL- iBT : 73↑、IELTS (academic) : 5.5↑、TOEIC : 750↑ (7) Financial statement (proof of scholarship award or proof of bank deposit). (8) Passport or other proof of nationality (9) Special Program Questionnaire: Please complete the special program questionnaire (downloaded from the application system) and upload it to the application system.	
		2. Other supporting documents:	For example, copies of other relevant documents such as proof of publications or inventions, research proposals or work experience certificates, and other materials beneficial for the review (e.g., proof of passing exams, award certificates, personal publications, research reports, patents, outstanding achievements, professional accomplishments, and various honor certificates).	
		3. Documents required by the department/institute	Please record a 5-minute self-introduction in English and provide the video link.	
Selection	Preliminary	1. Application material review: Comprehensive review of the application materials submitted by		

Method	Review	the applicants.		
	Second Review	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Evaluation items: academic performance, research performance, research potential, other outstanding performance. 		
Other Regulations				
Department/Institute Admissions Information				
Department/Institute Profile	<p>International College of Semiconductor Technology (ICST) at National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University (NYCU) in Taiwan focuses on “Internationalization” and “Industrialization” to cultivate the top talents with the innovation and professionals for next-generation semiconductor technology and solid-state circuits. The research areas of ICST include semiconductor materials, solid-state electronic devices, system-in-package (SiP), IC design and heterogeneous system integration. The courses in ICST are taught in English. Additionally, ICST provides opportunities and grants for students to collaborate with semiconductor industry (TSMC, MediaTek, Delta, etc.) and international institutes (UC Berkeley, UCLA, IMEC, TIT, Tohoku U., etc.). Moreover, ICST also provides several dual-degree programs with top universities (UCLA, KU Leuevn, TIT, IIT, etc.) for our students.</p>			
Program Curriculum	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please refer to the course information in ICST website for more details. https://icst.nycu.edu.tw/?page_id=92&lang=en 2. Requirements for Graduation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 credits (Does not include language-related courses) • Please refer to: https://aa.nycu.edu.tw/aa/ch/app/data/list?module=nycu0069&id=2513 			
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