

Research and Practical Training Program in Taiwan 2011 for French Students

Introduction

After the success of its Summer Program and Practical Training Program for French students, the National Science Council of Taiwan (NSC) has decided to combine them into only one program: the Research and Practical Training Program in Taiwan.

This program intends to provide French graduate students in science, social sciences and humanities with the opportunity of a first-hand research or practical experience in Taiwan, an introduction to its science and technology policy infrastructure, and an orientation to its culture and language.

The goals of the program are to introduce students to Taiwanese scientific and technological development, and to initiate personal relationships that will better enable them to collaborate with foreign counterparts in the future.

30 grants will be offered in 2011.

Content of the program

The National Science Council takes in charge French students' allowance. Students will receive a grant of 50,000 Taiwanese dollars, of which 20% of taxes will be deducted (1 euro = NT\$ 42.90 in October 2010). This grant will be paid during the orientation week.

The applicant should:

- be of French nationality
- be enrolled either as a Master or PhD student in a French university or at least in 2nd year of a "Grande Ecole" or Engineering School
- have a good proficiency in English
- have found their host institution in Taiwan by the time of application deadline

The selected candidate will:

- find housing or asks host institute to arrange housing
- take in charge the round-trip air ticket between France and Taiwan
- get a visa to Taiwan (from 37€ to 74€ depending on the type of visa)
- take in charge health insurance for the period of their stay in Taiwan
- attend the orientation week from the first day and participate in organized activities
- submit a final report to the National Science Council

Duration

The grant will cover an 8-week stay from June 27 to August 19, 2011. However, the students can stay longer on their own financial resources.

The participants must imperatively be in Taiwan to attend the orientation week, from June 27 to July 1, 2011. This orientation session provides an introduction to Chinese language, Taiwanese culture, research policy, and other activities.

Application

Application form is available [here \(doc\)](#).

Deadline for application: January 15, 2011.

Results will be announced by February 15, 2011.

The application form will be sent back at the following address:

Service Sciences et Technologies,
Bureau de Représentation de Taipei en France
78, rue de l'Université
75007 Paris
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APPLICATION FORM

Research and Practical Training Program 2011 in Taiwan for French Students

(This application must be typewritten.)

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Full Name (Last Name, First name and Middle Name):

Sex:

Date (dd/mm/yyyy) and place of birth:

Nationality:

Current address:

Permanent home address:

Telephone:

E-mail address 1:

E-mail address 2:

CURRENT ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONAL ADDRESS:

Department

Institution

Address

Office Phone +33 (0) _____ Fax +33 (0) _____

Date (MM/YYYY) when you began graduate studies _____

Current Degree Program: PhD. _____ **Master** _____ **Other** _____

RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE OBTAINED FROM YOUR ACADEMIC ADVISOR:

Name _____
Department _____
Institution _____
Phone/Fax/E-mail _____

One Other

Name _____
Department _____
Institution _____
Phone/Fax/E-mail _____

PREVIOUS VISITS TO TAIWAN (place, year, duration and purpose):

POSITIONS AND AWARDS IN THE LAST THREE YEARS:

CHINESE LANGUAGE BACKGROUND: Specify courses taken (university level), details of other training (including self-instruction), and any particular strength you might have in the language. Please note this information is required for planning the language instruction in Taiwan and that proficiency in the foreign language is not a prerequisite for participation in the Training Program.

I have read this program announcement in detail and have noted the conditions herein.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Date:

POTENTIAL HOST INSTITUTIONS

List potential host institutions in priority order, and include names and complete contact information of potential host scientist(s) if available.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

The host institution should be confirmed before application deadline (January 15, 2011).

DATES AND/OR DURATION OF TRAINING

(If you plan to stay longer than June 27 ~ August 19, 2011)

Dates:

Duration:

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

(Explain your unique qualifications for participation in this Program and list the benefits the program will provide to your professional development. May not be exceeding one page).

NAME OF APPLICANT: _____

DESCRIPTION OF CURRENT STUDIES

(Provide a summary of your current studies and/or research projects, and interests. Please write the summary for a technical audience and identify both a general field of study and any specific research interests. May not be exceeding one page.)

NAME OF APPLICANT: _____

RECOMMENDATION FORM

NAME OF APPLICANT: _____

RECOMMENDER: _____

Name: _____

Department: _____

Institution: _____

1. How long, and in what capacity, have you known the applicant?

2. In specific terms, explain how this Program will benefit to the applicant. What unique approaches, opportunities, or skills will the applicant obtain in Taiwan?

3. Briefly describe the applicant's research contributions, the quality of the research, and the potential significance of the research to your discipline or field.

4. I rank this applicant in the top _____ (percent) among _____ (number) of graduate students I have supervised over the last _____ (number) years.

5. Please check one of the two statements below.

A. my identity and this report must be held in confidence.

B. this report may be released to the applicant upon request.

6. [For the Applicant's Academic Advisor only.] I have read and understood the terms and conditions of the Research and Practical Training Program in Taiwan, and I endorse my student's full participation in the program.

_____ (Academic Advisor's initials here)

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

Please send the completed recommendation form to:

Service Sciences et Technologies
Bureau de Représentation de Taiwan en France
78 rue de l'Université
75007 Paris

Do not return to applicant. Recommendations must be postmarked by January 15, 2011. Failure to return this form in a timely fashion will jeopardize the application.)