

Student Exchange Program

Students currently enrolled at a partner university of NCKU are eligible for the bilateral Student Exchange Program (SEP) at NCKU. At NCKU, international exchange students could enjoy the advantages of studying abroad and experiencing Asian culture, highlighted with Taiwanese hospitality within an educational environment. Students are advised to seek an internal nomination by their home universities for one semester or two on exchange at NCKU.

Annual Application Schedule

Semester for Exchange	Application Deadline	Notification of Acceptance
Fall Semester (September-January)	April 10th	Early June
Spring Semester (February-June)	October 15th	Middle December

Free Chinese Language Courses

NCKU encourages international exchange students to understand Chinese culture and people in their own tongue. To facilitate such in-depth understanding, NCKU has sponsored a 2-credit Chinese language course, free of charge. All proficiency levels are available.

Buddy-Buddy Program

Exchange students may apply to get individual assistance from local students on tasks including dorm check-in, registration, course enrollment, and other essential matters during their exchange periods. Thanks to this program, many students adjust better and faster in their new environment and may make friends for a lifetime.



NCKU Partners

NCKU has worldwide partnerships in our student exchange program, including 11 Asian countries, 14 European countries, 3 American countries, 1 South African country and 1 Oceanian country.

Number of Institutions



495 Agreements	241 University-level agreement
290 Institutions	145 College-level agreement
38 Countries	83 Department-level agreement

Come Explore NCKU, Tainan, Taiwan!

NCKU offers the best academic resources available for higher education in Tainan and Taiwan. Education, friendship, gourmet food culture, and shopping – all that one may hope from an exchange experience can be found here.

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For application information, please visit NCKU SEP website.



NCKU EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Come Explore Taiwan!

NCKU, the Top University in Taiwan

National Cheng Kung University (NCKU), founded in 1931, has transformed from a technical college into one of the most established, comprehensive universities in Taiwan. With about 21,000 students and 1,900 faculty members in total, NCKU has continued as a leader in the fields of engineering, science, management and medicine. NCKU has always been dedicated to promoting student mobility and welcomes international exchange students from partner universities worldwide every year.

Our Strengths

- A top-tier, comprehensive, and research-oriented university in Taiwan
- Focused on global social impacts and responsibilities
- Ranked in the top 48 to 100 globally in civil & structural engineering, computer science, electrical engineering, engineering technology, materials science and mechanical engineering (QS, ARWU, and U.S. News & World Report)
- #1 university in Taiwan in terms of technology transfer
- Strong in academia-industry cooperation, with over 20% of its annual research budget coming from industry



The Poet | Tian-Sheng Pu, 2009

NCKU Rankings



#228 2023 World University Rankings
#36 2023 Asia University Rankings



#24 2023 Impact Ranking in World
#2 2023 Impact Ranking in Asia



Taiwan

On the west Pacific Rim and to the east of China, with a population of 23 million and a land area of 36,193 km², Taiwan is one of the most energetic economic entities in Asia and the world. Taiwan is well-known for its high-end information technology, energy industry, biotechnology, and healthcare. Also, it is a heaven for natural and cultural marvels, and a safe and warm place for foreign people.



Taipei 101

Tainan

Tainan is the ancient capital of Taiwan, and is proudly the home to a total of almost 2,000 historic Taoist or Buddhist temples. This city continues to host a variety of cultural festivities and religious ceremonies all year round. Traditions have been well sustained in this modernized city. The city's gourmet food culture guarantees one can find delicious food of every kind. Life in Tainan has a charming balance between the new and the old, and the fast and the slow.



Tainan Confucius Temple

List of Departments and Institutes Open for Exchange Students

English-Taught Courses

Courses are primarily taught in Chinese at NCKU. However, a substantial portion of courses taught at the graduate level is in English. During the AY2023-24, a total of 751 English-taught courses have been offered across the 11 colleges and 85 departments.

Course Enrollment Policy

The host departments usually guarantee their exchange students with the opportunity to enroll in courses chosen by the students. In addition, students are allowed to take courses outside of their host departments and at different levels.



College of Liberal Arts

Department of Chinese Literature
Department of Foreign Languages & Literature
Department of History
Department of Taiwanese Literature
Institute of Art Studies
MA Program in Drama
Institute of Archaeology

College of Science

Department of Mathematics
Department of Physics
Department of Chemistry
Department of Earth Science
Department of Photonics
Institute of Space and Plasma Science

College of Engineering

Department of Mechanical Engineering
Department of Chemical Engineering
Department of Resources Engineering
Department of Materials Science & Engineering
Department of Civil Engineering
International Master Program on Natural Hazards Mitigation and Management
Department of Engineering Science
Department of Systems & Navel Mechatronic Engineering
Department of Aeronautics & Astronautics
International Program on Energy (Bachelor, Master's and Ph.D.)
Department of Geomatics
Department of Environmental Engineering
Department of Biomedical Engineering
Master of the International Institute of Medical Device Innovation (MDI)

*BLUE print means
English-taught courses are available.

College of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

Department of Electrical Engineering
Department of Computer Science & Information Engineering
Institute of Manufacturing Information and Systems
Institute of Microelectronics
Institute of Computer & Communication Engineering
MS Degree Program on Nano-Integrated-Circuit Engineering
PhD Program on Nano-Integrated-Circuit Engineering
Institute of Medical Informatics
Master Degree Program in Artificial Intelligence

College of Social Sciences

Department of Political Science
Master and Ph.D. program in Political Economy
Department of Economics
Department of Law
Department of Psychology
Institute of Education

Academy of Innovative Semiconductor and Sustainable Manufacturing Others

Program on Integrated Circuit Design
Program on Semiconductor Technology
Program on Semiconductor Packaging and Testing
Program on Key Materials
Program on Smart and Sustainable Manufacturing



Cheng Kung Lake

College of Management

Department of Industrial & Information Management
Institute of Information Management
The Department of Transportation and Communication Management Science
Institute of Telecommunication Management
Department of Business Administration
Department of Accountancy
Department of Statistics
Institute of Data Science
Institute of International Business
Institute of Finance & Banking
International Master Program of Business Administration (IMBA)
Institute of Physical Education, Health & Recreation

College of Planning and Design

Department of Architecture
Department of Urban Planning
Department of Industrial Design
Institute of Creative Industries Design

Miin Wu School of Computing

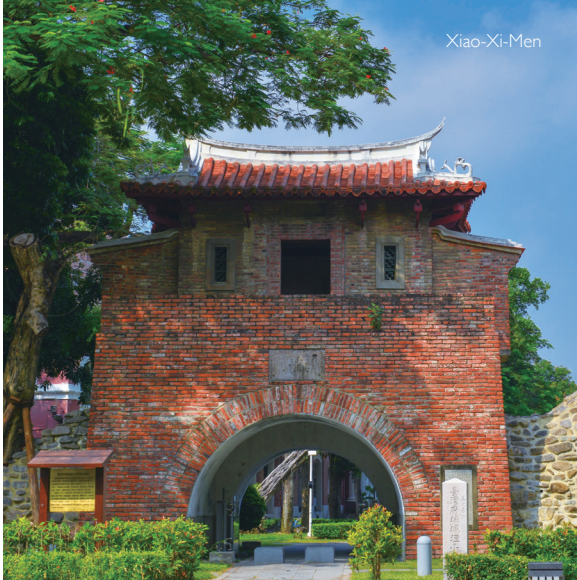
Master Degree Program on Artificial Intelligence Robotics
Master Degree in Intelligent Computing
Intelligent Computing Industrial Doctorate Program

College of Bioscience & Biotechnology

Department of Life Sciences
Department of Biotechnology and Bioindustry Sciences
Institute of Tropical Plant Sciences and Microbiology
AS Graduate Program in Translational Agricultural Sciences

College of Medicine

Department of Nursing
Department of Medical Laboratory Science & Biotechnology
Department of Physical Therapy
Department of Occupational Therapy
Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Institute of Pharmacology
Institute of Physiology
Department of Environmental and Occupational Health
Institute of Molecular Medicine
Institute of Clinical Medicine
Institute of Cell Biology & Anatomy
Institute of Public Health
Institute of Gerontology
Institute Allied Health Sciences
Department of Food Safety/Hygiene and Risk Management



Xiao-Xi-Men



Cheng Kung Archway
"Seek the Truth, Toil for Good"

Accommodation and Living Expenses*

On-campus dormitory | About NTD 15,730 / semester** (≈USD 560/≈EUR 450)
Off-campus housing | NTD 5,000-9,000 / month (≈USD 170-300 /≈EUR 150-270)
Living expenses | NTD 10,000-15,000 / month (meals, transportation, etc. ≈USD 330 /≈EUR 300)
Textbooks | Varies.

Estimated expenses in total | NTD \$50,000-NTD \$60,000/semester (≈USD 2,000/≈EUR 1,790)

* All fees are estimates and subject to change.

** NCKU provides on-campus dormitories for exchange students. Room availability is not guaranteed due to changes in demand each year. NCKU will advise you on off-campus accommodations upon request.



Taijiang National Park