

Implementation Directions for National Taiwan Normal University Grant for Living Expenses

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1. The Implementation Directions are promulgated in accordance with the Ministry of Education's Financial Aid Program for Disadvantaged Students in Colleges and Universities, which provides assistance to financially disadvantaged students in the University. Supported students are guided to engage in non-remunerated life service learning to expand their field of study and foster independence and autonomy.
2. Students enrolled in the daytime programs at the University whose GPA in the previous semester is 1.70 (60) or higher and their family's financial situation meets the following criteria are eligible for the grant. (Freshmen and transfer students are not required to provide a proof of GPA, while returning students will need to provide the GPA from the most recent semester):
 - (1) Students whose annual family income (including the student, parents or guardians) did not exceed NT\$700,000 and income from interest did not exceed NT\$20,000 in the previous year.
 - (2) Students who are endorsed by their adviser that their families have suffered a tragedy or in urgent need of financial assistance.
3. This grant is funded by the student public funds and incentive funds. The grant is divided into two types, and eligible students can only apply for one. The amount of grant and the order of priority are as follows:
 - (1) Type 1: A monthly grant of NT\$6,000 is awarded. Students with lower annual family income, more difficult family financial situations or are in lower years have higher priority. The order of priority is as follows:
 1. Undergraduate students.
 2. Super seniors.
 3. Full-time master's or doctoral students.
 4. Students who have not completed their service learning in the previous semester.
 - (2) Type 2: Students whose family breadwinner has lost their job, suffered from a major illness resulting in the inability to work, or been going through a family misfortune in the past 3

months. A monthly grant of NT\$3,000 is awarded. Application for the same incident shall be made no more than once and the support is limited to a maximum of 6 months.

4. Applications for this grant can be made during 3 time periods every academic year: in September for the fall semester, in February for the spring semester, and in June for the summer break. The grant is awarded from September to January of the following year for the fall semester, from February to June for the spring semester, and from July and August during summer break. New graduates are not eligible to apply for the grant for the summer break.
5. Students who receive the grant are required to participate in public, public welfare and development related learning-based service activities offered by the University. The hours of service and the grant amount are not on a quid pro quo basis.
6. The implementation of on-campus learning-based service activities are as follows:
 - (1) Students receiving the Type 1 grant shall participate in learning-based services for 80 hours per semester, and those who participate in on-campus lectures, service clubs or other service-learning activities may be waived a maximum of 10 service hours. If the student's GPA in the most recent semester is among the top 30% in their department or graduate institute, 10 hours of learning-based service hours may be waived. Students applying for the summer grant shall participate in learning-based service for 50 hours. The service hours shall be capped at 8 hours per week and no more than 30 hours per month.
 - (2) Students who receive the Type 2 grant may participate in 10 hours of on-campus volunteer service.
7. Guidance for learning-based services:

All units of the University are tasked with providing students with guidance and offering a safe and suitable learning environment. Dedicated staff members are appointed to guide students as follows:

 - (1) Each unit shall clearly inform the student of the learning content and sign an agreement with the student before guiding them to proceed with the service.
 - (2) Students shall receive suggestions from the guidance unit every month and submit their reflections at the end of the semester.
8. If a grant-receiving student suspends or withdraws from the University, they will be disqualified. Students who have not participated in the learning-based service activities for an entire month will not be awarded the grant starting the following month. Students who have not completed their service and learning hours will be given the last priority when they apply for the grant in the next semester.

Students who have not complete their service and learning hours for 2 semesters will be disqualified from applying.

9. These Implementation Directions and any amendments thereto become effective after approval by the Student Affairs Committee and ratification by the University President.