

Directions for the Establishment of Bank SinoPac Encouragement Student Aid in National Cheng Kung University

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Article 1

In order to encourage students at National Cheng Kung University (hereinafter referred to as “NCKU”) with outstanding performance, to lessen their financial burden while they attend NCKU, and to enable them to concentrate fully on academic studies and technical innovations, Bank SinoPac (hereinafter referred to as “SinoPac”) has created the Encouragement Student Aid (hereinafter referred to as “the Aid”) and established these directions for applicants to follow.

Article 2

Criteria for applying for the Aid:

Graduate and undergraduate students of NCKU who meet all of the following conditions may apply, with the exclusion of first-year students, students attending in-service master’s programs or credited courses in continuing education programs, suspended students, and students postponing graduation.

- (1) Local Residents: Students with an average grade of 80 (A-) and above and a conduct score of 80 and above in the previous academic year, who have never obtained an admonition during their study at NCKU.
- (2) International Students (including Overseas and Mainland Chinese Students): Undergraduate students with an average academic grade of 70 (B-) and above, graduate students with an average academic grade of 80 (A-) and above, and a conduct score of 80 and above in the previous academic year, who have never gotten an admonition during their study at NCKU.

Article 3

The number of recipients and the amount of the Aid:

- (1) 15 Local Residents and 10 International Students per academic year. Every student receives NT \$80,000, with NT \$40,000 being given in the first and second semester, respectively. If the recipient fails to meet the criteria stated in Article 2 in the first semester, the Aid will not be renewed in the second semester.
- (2) If the number of recipients falls short of the predetermined quota in this academic year, the quota will be reserved and carried over to the following academic year.

Article 4

Period of Application Submission:

The application submission period is subject to annual announcement.

Article 5

Application Procedure:

(1) Applicants must fill out the application form and submit the following items on the official website of Atelier Future within the announced application period:

1. An original copy of transcripts for all semesters of study (including doctorate, master's and undergraduate programs).
2. An original copy of the certificate of enrollment.
3. A photocopy of the National Identification Card or Resident Certificate.
4. Citizen over 18 - A photocopy of Bank SinoPac DAWHO Debit Card.
Citizen under 18 and non-citizens - A photocopy of Bank SinoPac Passbook
5. Other certified documents or materials for review, such as recommendation letters from the dean of the applicant's affiliated college, or certificates of merit, patents, theses and/or professional licenses, etc.

(2) Applicants can only apply for either the Aid or the Bank SinoPac Outstanding Talents Scholarship each academic year.

(3) Recipients of the Aid will be announced and notified before the end of January.

Article 6

Applicants that meet any of the following conditions will get bonus points in the reviewing process:

- (1) Students from underprivileged families: Please enclose the Certificate of Low-Income Households issued by the municipal Bureau of Social Affairs.
- (2) Children of Special Families: Please enclose the Letter of Approval issued for Family Assistance in Special Circumstances.
- (3) Children of Indigenous Families or New Immigrant Families: Indigenous students, students with at least one foreigner parent or are naturalized to the Republic of China from another nationality, who have legally resided, settled or hold household registration in Taiwan.

Article 7

Reviewing Process:

- (1) Preliminary reviews of received applications will be conducted by the Atelier Future Promotional Committee at NCKU, and documents will be sent to SinoPac for secondary review.
- (2) An interview shall be arranged for applicants who pass the documental review, which the students will be notified of by the committee. Decisions will be made based on documental review and the interview.
- (3) In the case of applicants with the same academic grades, applicants applying for no other scholarships and/or aid programs will be prioritized.
- (4) The renewal procedure of this Aid in the second semester will be handled by the Atelier Future Promotional Committee.
- (5) Academic grades in the first semester must be provided as proof for eligibility for the Aid in the second semester (the review procedure is equivalent to Article 2: Eligibility and Application Category for this Aid). Eligibility for the Aid in the second semester is automatically lost if the recipient does not provide the required document(s) within the specified period.

Article 8

A recipient will be disqualified and the Aid will be cancelled in the case of suspension, dropping out or discontinuation of schooling.

Article 9

In the case of forged papers/documents being submitted, the recipient's eligibility for the Aid shall be revoked, the amount of aid received shall be returned, and relevant legal responsibilities shall be investigated according to the circumstances.

Article 10

The directions and amendments thereof have been approved by the President of NCKU before they come into effect.