The STUST Scholarship Establishment Regulations for International Students

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Article 1

The STUST Scholarship Establishment Regulations for International Students (hereinafter referred to as "the STUST SERIS") are established to encourage outstanding international students to study at Southern Taiwan University of Science and Technology (STUST).

Article 2

The STUST SERIS are formulated based on the Ministry of Education's Regulations Regarding International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan.

Article 3

The Scholarship Review Committee is set up to initiate and review the criteria for awarding this scholarship, finalize the number of recipients, and deal with other relevant issues. Members consists of Executive Vice President, Dean of Academic Affairs, Dean of Student Affairs, Dean of International Affairs, and Deans from all the colleges. Executive Vice President serves as the Chairperson, and Dean of International Affairs as the Executive Secretary.

Article 4

Types of Scholarship for different programs of study

- 1. Undergraduate
 - (1) Full tuition fee waiver.
 - (2) Half tuition fee waiver.
- 2. Master: Full tuition waiver.
- 3. Ph.D.:
 - (1) Full tuition waiver, a full grant for on-campus housing, and a stipend of 10,000 TWD per month.
 - (2) Full tuition waiver and a full grant for on-campus housing.
 - (3) If you go abroad for some reason during the semester with a duration of more than 16 days (inclusive), your monthly scholarship of NT\$10,000 will be suspended. Those who go abroad on official leave or business trips are not restricted.

Article 5

Applicants should apply through the Online Application and Status Inquiry System. The procedures are as follows:

- 1. Upload the following application documents:
 - (1) Photocopies of original graduation diploma and official transcript
 - (2) Two reference letters
 - (3) Study plan or research proposal

- (4) Autobiography
- (5) Certificate of Language Proficiency: English-taught programs require an English-language certificate such as TOEFL iBT or IELTS; Chinese-taught programs require a TOCFL certificate (Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language) or an HSK certificate (Chinese Proficiency Test).
- (6) United Examination Certificate (UEC), SPM or STPM (only required for Malaysian students)
- 2. The application deadline for the spring semester is November 30, and the results will be published on the online application system on December 25. The application deadline for the fall semester is May 15, and the results will be published on the online application system on June 10.

Article 6

New students who receive this award are required to register at the Office of International Affairs and attend the orientation BEFORE the semester starts. If recipients fail to register or attend the orientation before the semester starts, their award will be cancelled with no deferrals. If recipients are not able to attend the orientation due to VISA issues, they are required to register within 2 weeks after the semester starts, or the award will be cancelled.

Article 7

Starting from the FIFTH semester after admission, current enrolled undergraduate students (excluding transfer students) who have received the scholarship are required to submit transcripts from the previous semester to the Office of International Affairs before 5 pm on the Friday of the second week of each semester for renewal verification. The review criteria for renewal are as follows:

- 1. Undergraduate International Business and Finance Programs
 - (1) Half tuition fee waiver:
 - i. Students should maintain the average passing standard in the previous semester.
 - ii.Students who fail to maintain the above academic criteria will be disqualified from receiving the scholarship. Once their academic performance meets the above criteria in the subsequent semester, they may apply to have the scholarship reinstated.
 - iii. Fixed tuition fees of 24,000 TWD.
 - (2) Full tuition fee waiver:
 - i. Students should maintain a minimum GPA of 3.2 (78 out of 100) or higher or meet the half tuition fees waiver criteria and in the previous semester, and represent the school in international competitions and receive an award.
 - ii.Students who failed to get the full tuition fee waiver will be considered for the half tuition fee waiver. When students qualify again, the full tuition waiver will be resumed.
- 2. Undergraduate Chinese-taught Programs
 - (1) Half tuition fee waiver: Fixed tuition fees of 24,000 TWD.
 - (2) Full tuition waiver: Undergraduate students who are eligible for full tuition fee waiver must maintain a minimum semester average score of 78 (inclusive), or a GPA 3.2 (inclusive).

Article 8

Starting from the THIRD semester after admission, current enrolled master and Ph.D. students who have received the scholarship are required to submit transcripts from the previous semester

to the Office of International Affairs before 5 pm on the Friday of the second week of each semester for renewal verification. The review criteria for renewal are as follows:

- 1. Ph.D. students must maintain a minimum semester average score of 80, or a GPA of 3.38 on a 4.30 scale, pass the evaluation of their supervising advisor, and select an advisor prior to the completion of the first semester in the program. Entitlement to the stipend of NT\$10,000 monthly will be cancelled if recipients fail to meet the listed requirements. Students that fail to meet requirements can apply for special considerations for other extenuating circumstances. If successful, the students will receive the stipend as per usual if the application is granted by the President.
- 2. Master's students must maintain a minimum semester average score of 80, or GPA 3.38 on a 4.30 scale.

The award will be cancelled if recipients fail to complete registration and tuition and other fees payment before 5 pm on the Friday of the second week of each semester or if their academic performance falls below the requirements as listed in their scholarship offer. The scholarship can be reinstated through application if the recipients meet the required academic performance later.

Article 9

Starting from the THIRD semester after admission, current enrolled transfer students from other institutions who have received the scholarship are required to submit transcripts from the previous semester to the Office of International Affairs before 5 pm on the Friday of the second week ofeach semester for renewal verification. The review criteria for renewal are as follows:

- 1. Half tuition fee waiver: Fixed tuition fees of 24,000TWD.
- 2. Full tuition waiver: Undergraduate students who are eligible for full tuition fee waiver must maintain a minimum semester average score of 78(inclusive), or a GPA 3.2(inclusive).
- 3. Students who apply for sophomore-level transfer will receive a scholarship for three years and junior-level transfer will receive a scholarship for two years.

Article 10

The maximum length for a recipient to receive this scholarship after enrollment is the first four years for an undergraduate students, the first two years for master's students and the first three years for Ph.D. students. If students have special reasons, their application needs to be approved by the President. The number of scholarship recipients will be based on STUST's budget for the current academic year. If the recipients graduate early, their scholarship will be terminated immediately.

Article 11

Those recipients who have received a Taiwan Scholarship, foreign governmental scholarships (such as Mekong 1000 Project Scholarship, Elite Study in Taiwan Scholarship, etc.) or other scholarships will not be eligible to receive this award. If it is discovered that any students are receiving scholarships in addition to this award, they will have to choose one.

Article 12

The award will be terminated immediately when recipients:

- 1. Provide fake application materials, for which the recipients are demanded to return the award given and then would be expelled.
- 2. Transfer to other schools/universities or fail to complete the registration process.

- 3. Apply for suspension, withdrawal, or dismissal from STUST.
- 4. Defer tuition payment and other fees from the previous semester.
- 5. To be cited with minor demerits and above.
- 6. Damage the university reputation.

Article 13

These Regulations were officially approved at the STUST's Administrative Meeting and are made public by the President, any amendments will undergo the same process.