Wenzao Ursuline University of Languages

Application Guidelines for International Exchange Students

- All applications for the student exchange program are based on the agreement of collaboration signed by Wenzao Ursuline University of Languages and the applicants' home institutions.
- 2. All applicants must hold the citizenship of non-ROC countries.
- 3. All applications must be submitted to Wenzao Ursuline University of Languages via the International Office or its equivalent division of the applicants' home institutions. Personal applications are <u>not</u> accepted.
- 4. Unless a specified term is defined on the academic exchange agreement, applications for the fall semester should be sent to the Office of International and Cross-Strait Cooperation (OICC) at Wenzao Ursuline University of Languages by <u>June 30</u>; applications for the spring semester must be sent by <u>December 31</u>.
- 5. The following documents must be arranged in sequence in an application:
 - i. Two completed Application Form for Exchange Student with passport size photos.
 - ii. Two 2"x2" (3.5cm x 4.5cm)head & shoulder photos in color. (taken within the last six months)
- iii. Two photocopies of the certificate of enrollment from applicant's home institution.
- iv. Two official copies of transcripts.
- v. One recommendation letter from applicant's instructor at home institution.
- vi. A copy of passport.
- vii. Study plan (One A4 page: Purposes of Exchanging & Course Scheme).
- viii. On/Off-Campus Accommodation Application for Overseas Students
 - ix. Chinese Language Center Application Form.
 - x. A photocopy of Health Insurance which covers the duration of student's stay in

Taiwan. (After a continuous residence within Taiwan for six months, students must enroll in the National Health Insurance program.)

- xi. Health Certificate Form B.
- xii. Authorization for Emergency Medication.

*Students should purchase his/her overseas insurance and present the copy of the insurance certificate to the Office of International Cross-strait Cooperation. If not, the student will have to purchase the Cathay Life Group Insurance offered at NTD 2,500.

- **6.** Instructions for filling the application:
 - i. Your Chinese name will be shown on your Wenzao student ID.
- ii. Emergency Contact: you must at least provide one relative's contact information in case of any emergency.
- iii. Each academic year is divided into two semesters.
 - ◆ Fall Semester: September ~ January

Winter Vacation: February (including Chinese New Year)

◆ Spring Semester: February ~ June

Summer Vacation: July and August

iv. Accommodation

All exchange students are guaranteed on-campus accommodation, but rooms are to be allocated by Wenzao. Please note that the request filed after application deadline may not be guaranteed. Students who want to apply for on-campus dormitory need to sign the Accommodation Agreement. If the student chooses to move out of the dormitory, a minimum-30-day advance notice to the residential staff and OICC is required.

Item	Dorm fees	Dorm deposit (refundable)
Cost	NT \$12,000 / per semester	NT \$5,000

- ◆ All deposits are refundable if all facilities are well maintained and the gate card is returned at checkout.
- ◆ If students borrow beddings and linens from the dorm, they have to pay around NTD300 for a laundry service.
- Students need to find their own off-campus accommodations if they do not submit the <u>Accommodation Agreement</u>.

7. Others

- i. Food: Student cafeteria is located at the basement of dormitory. There are also many restaurants, cafés and bistros within walking distance around campus.
- ii. Clothing: Coin laundry is also located at the basement.
- iii. Transportation: Parking areas for bikes, scooters and cars are arranged in periphery of campus. City bus stop is in front of the back gate. (To ride a scooter, a driver's license is required.)
- iv. Internet: All rooms in the dormitory are facilitated with internet connection.
- v. Insurance: Each inbound student should be insured before arriving Taiwan. It is required to enclose a photocopy of effective medical/health insurance. Students must enroll in the National Health Insurance program after a continuous residence within Taiwan for six months. (NT \$ 749/ per month).
- vi. Language Course: Center of Chinese Language provides free Chinese courses for exchange students.
 - 8. Visa application
- i. A foreign passport holder shall enter Taiwan with a valid *visitor* or a *resident* visa according to the different purpose of visit. (http://www.boca.gov.tw/mp.asp?mp=2)
 - Visitor Visa: Short-term visa for the expected length of stay within 180 days.
 Usually the validity of visitor visa is 60 days, and it can be extended twice.
 - Resident Visa: Long-term visa for the expected length of stay *more* than 180 days.

ii. For visa extension, students must go to the *local* service office of National Immigration Agency *15 days before* the expiration. We suggest that students who stay over one semester should apply for a **resident visa** before entering Taiwan, and then apply for ARC after their arrival. Changing a visitor visa to a resident visa before applying for ARC will cost more. (http://www.immigration.gov.tw/mp.asp?mp=2)

♦ Alien Resident Certificate (ARC)

Students who enter Taiwan with a *Resident Visa* must apply for ARC at the local service center of National Immigration Agency **within 15 days** after arrival. With ARC, students can open a bank account and must join National Health Insurance Program.