



OCAC, Republic of China (Taiwan)

2020 Overseas Youth Taiwanese Culture Program Prospectus

I. Objectives:

The OCAC will hold the 2020 Overseas Youth Taiwanese Culture Program (hereafter the Program) to help overseas (compatriot) youth better understand Taiwan's diverse culture and political and economic development situation and to promote interaction between domestic and overseas youth.

II. Requirements:

Applicants must be overseas compatriot youth aged over 16 and under 28 (based on age specified in the passport), reside overseas, be in good physical and mental health, be in good standing in terms of academic performance and conduct, and be interested in learning about Taiwanese culture.

III. Activity date and number of participants: From July 20, 2020 (registration) to August 2, 2020 (returning), a 2-week session with an estimated 35 participants.

IV. Activities:

1. An introduction to Taiwan: Taiwan's politics, economy, culture, education, science, and technology.
2. Taiwanese Language courses: Taiwanese Phonetics, Taiwanese Word Formation and Grammar, Taiwanese Writing and Input Method, and Taiwanese Literature International Exchange
3. Cultural Lectures: Taiwanese Cultural, Diversity Taiwanese Ethnic Diversity, Taiwanese Festivals and Customs, Taiwanese Literature and Art, and Taiwanese Folk Skills.
4. Visits to Taiwan's major landmarks: National Palace Museum, Hakka Culture Park, Taiwan Indigenous Peoples Culture Park, Dadaocheng Cultural Park, Science Parks, Cultural and Creative Industries Park, etc.
5. Tour of Taiwan: Experience the beauty of the natural landscape and ecology of Taiwan.
6. Youth exchange: Visits to famous universities that host youth exchange activities.

V. Enrollment process:

1. Initial screening: Find an R.O.C (Taiwan) overseas representative office, a cultural center of the OCAC, or an institution authorized by an R.O.C representative office, and submit the following items for initial screening: the application form (an OCAC standard form

downloadable from the OCAC website), the health examination checklist (an OCAC standard form; an incomplete checklist will not be accepted); the passport or endorsed residence permit of the country in which the applicant resides, plus three 1-inch upper-body profile photos. Applications not approved by and passed to the OCAC by R.O.C (Taiwan) overseas representative offices, cultural centers of the OCAC, or institutions authorized by an R.O.C representative office will be rejected (domestic applications will not be accepted).

2. Final screening: Application forms will be forwarded to the OCAC for review by R.O.C. overseas representative offices or cultural centers of OCAC. Eligible applicants will be issued an approval letter and registration instructions.
3. Entry visa: Applicants should check visa requirements and apply for their Taiwan entry visas.

VI. Registration

1. Check-in time and place: Please see the registration instructions.
2. On the registration day, participants will pay the registration fee, hand in their passports, receive their member badges and handbooks, and be led to their accommodations.
3. Expenses:
 - a.) Paid by the participant:
 - (1) **Registration fee: NT\$10,000 per person**, which each participant pays on the day of registration. There will be no refund to those who leave the program early.
 - (2) Individual airfare, visa fees, luggage transport fees, and personal expenses.
 - (3) Medical insurance costs paid in the student's home country prior to the trip to Taiwan.
 - (4) Individual medical treatment costs that may arise during the program, as well as any compensation for damages caused by the individual (parents will be held jointly and severally liable).
 - b.) Paid by the OCAC:
NT\$13,000 per person, which covers teaching, materials, trips, visits, accommodation, transportation, administration, and other expenses.

VII. Things to note:

1. During the program, participants must abide by all rules and disciplinary regulations. Serious violations can result in expulsion by the OCAC, to which parents and participants hold no right to object.
2. Participants must arrange health insurance in their countries of residence prior to arrival in Taiwan. If immediate medical treatment is necessary during the program for a sudden illness or recurrence of an existing disease/condition, any related medical fees shall be paid by participants; participants or parents cannot make any claim for compensation to the OCAC or other host organizations.
3. If you have a special illness or a major disease/condition (such as heart disease, cerebrovascular disease, diabetes, mental illness, epilepsy, infectious disease, pregnancy) that

you fear may disturb normal participation in the program, please do not apply. Otherwise, you will be solely responsible for any consequences resulting from the aforementioned existing diseases/conditions and the host organizations will bear no liability.

4. Applicants with a prior record of drug abuse, criminal activity, or other misconduct are not allowed to apply.