

The Regulations of Mandarin Chinese Language Requirements and Language Support for Overseas Undergraduate Students of the National University of Kaohsiung

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Article 1 The regulation aims to strengthen overseas undergraduate students' Mandarin Chinese proficiency, in order to support them to optimize their learning experiences in Taiwan. This regulation is not applicable to overseas students enrolled in English-taught programs.

Article 2 Overseas undergraduate students enrolled in the National University of Kaohsiung (hereafter "the university") are required to take the university's Mandarin Chinese proficiency test.

Students who have one of the following qualifications are exempt from the test and are eligible for the compulsory course "College Chinese":

1. Students from Hong Kong, Macau and Mainland China.
2. Students who reach the B1 level on the Test of Chinese as a Foreign Language (hereafter "the TOCFL").
3. Students who reach the B1 level on other certified Mandarin Chinese proficiency tests.
4. Students who have a minimum of 360 studying hours of Mandarin Chinese in Taiwan (or a minimum of 720 hours abroad).

Students who do not have the qualifications above are eligible for the compulsory course "College Chinese", provided that they pass the university's Mandarin Chinese proficiency test.

Article 3 Students who fail to pass the university's Mandarin Chinese proficiency test are required to take a minimum of 60 hours of bridging courses offered by the Language Center and a minimum of two Mandarin Chinese language courses (with four credits) offered by the General Education Center during their first academic year. On completion of the bridging courses, students will be given the university's Mandarin Chinese proficiency test; students are eligible for the compulsory course "College Chinese", provided that they pass the test.

The university does not award credits for the courses offered by the Language Center. The courses offered by the General Education Center are awarded elective course credits applicable toward satisfaction of degree requirements, dependent on the discretion of a student's department and the General Education Center.

Students enrolled in the bridging courses are eligible for the compulsory course "College Chinese" in the subsequent semester, should they reach the B1 level on the TOCFL during their study period.

Article 4 The Regulation has been approved by the university president and shall come into force as of the date of promulgation.

