

Regulations on Awarding Scholarships for Academic Excellence, Tzu Chi University of Science and Technology

Established in the 86th Administration Meeting, June 11, 1999

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Article 1 The present regulations are established to award students with academic excellence.

Article 2 Criteria:

1. Academic performance: grade average of 80 (including) or higher with at least 10 credits; the grades with which courses were waived are not counted toward the semester grade average.

2. Conduct grades: 80 (including) or high, with no record of demerits (or three cumulative admonitions), including demerits that have been offset.

3. Physical education grades: 75 (including) or higher. First to fourth year students in the 5-year programs and first to second year students of the 4-year programs must have Physical Education grades, or the course grades with which the Physical Education course was waived must meet the present criteria to apply.

4. Volunteer hours: at least 12 hours for the semester (excluding the required volunteer hours mandated by the regulations for receiving various types of financial aid awarded by the University) before Week 18 (including) of the semester. In addition to Article 3 of the Regulations for Promoting Student Volunteer Service and Commendation, Tzu Chi University of Science and Technology, the hours of group volunteer services (led by University staff and approved through official documents) or community care volunteer services approved by the Student Activity Guidance Division of the Office of Student Affairs (e.g., leading elementary and junior high students in street cleaning, beach cleanup, and caring services at nursing homes and children's homes).

5. Students who have not accepted other scholarships/financial aid (excluding the Scholarship for Low-Income Students) of the University will be prioritized.

Article 3 Scholarship details: a NT\$20,000 scholarship for the student who places first in his/her class (subject to the ratio listed according to the provisions of

Article 5 in case of multiple students with the same ranking), in addition to student residence fee waiver and free University cafeteria meals. The original funding source is primarily applicable for students receiving financial aid at the same time. Scholarships will not be issued to students suspended from schooling or withdrawing from schooling; scholarships already issued must be reimbursed.

Article 4 Scholarship quotas: Each class of the University's Departments and programs is viewed as one unit. The top five students in terms of academic performance satisfying the criteria of the present regulations are eligible for the present scholarship. Students with the same ranking will be furthered compared and ranked according to their academic, conduct, and physical education grades; quotas will be increased if students remain equal in ranking (on principle, the quota is calculated as 10% of the class if the number of students in a class exceeds 50).

Article 5 Review: Following the initial review of the application documents by the Office of Academic Affairs, the Office submits a roster list to the University Student Scholarship/Financial Aid Committee for a second review (convened at the beginning of the following semester). The approved list is then submitted to the University President Office for approval and the disbursement of the scholarship funding.

Article 6 Issuance of scholarships: once every semester.

Article 7 The present regulations shall be implemented upon approval by an Administration meeting and the approval of and promulgation by the president; the same applies for amendments.