

BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR CHINESE STUDIES

REGISTERED CHARITY NO 273023

2026-2027 NOTES FOR APPLICANTS - HUAYU ENRICHMENT SCHOLARSHIP -

All applications must be submitted electronically via a Google form provided on the BACS website. An automatic acknowledgement e-mail will be sent to confirm receipt of every application submitted. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that their complete application has been received by BACS. Please note:

- Applications that are late, incomplete, or submitted in an incorrect format cannot be considered;
- All applications must be received by the BACS by **Tuesday 31st March, 2026 at 17:00 BST**
- Read these notes and the "Foreign Student Information for UK Applicants" by the Education Division, Taipei Representative Office (TRO) in the UK carefully before completing the application form.

The BACS-Taiwan language scholarships provide a monthly stipend of NT\$ 28,000. Scholarship funds must be used to pay for registration and course fees at approved language centres in Taiwan. The remainder of the grant represents a contribution towards maintenance costs.

Eligibility

The language scholarships are open to those holding a UK passport, above the age of 18, who possess A-Levels (or equivalent qualifications) or above with an excellent academic record. Applicants must be able to pay for their own return airfare to Taiwan in order to be considered for the scholarship.

Candidates to whom one or more of the following criteria apply are ineligible for the scholarship.

- a. Taiwanese, PRC, Hong Kong and Macau passport holders.
- b. Those currently studying Mandarin in Taiwan or who have studied a degree programme in Taiwan.
- c. Those who have previously received a HES or a Taiwan Scholarship.
- d. Those who will be an exchange student to Taiwan under an agreement between partner institutions in the UK and Taiwan during the scholarship period
- e. Those currently receiving financial benefits from the government of Taiwan or other educational institutions in Taiwan.

Application procedure

All applications must include the following (*See checklist below*)

1. An official application form (to be found on the BACS website). This must include:
 - a. a statement explaining your reasons for wanting to study in Taiwan (Point 8 in the application form);
 - b. a digital colour photograph (inserted into the application form on p.2).
2. A scanned copy of a valid UK passport.

3. Proof of application to a recognised language centre in Taiwan (e.g. valid admission letter or e-mail from the language centre's admissions department acknowledging receipt of application). Visit the following website for a list of language centres recognised by the MOE in Taiwan: https://lmit.edu.tw/en/school_list
4. Scanned copies of the certificates and transcripts of his/her highest academic qualification (i.e. degree certificate or A-Level certificates). Current university students who have not yet graduated should include a copy of their most recent transcript of study.
 - a. For applicants who have not had formal learning of Mandarin but have taken TOCFL or any other Mandarin tests, please also submit a scanned copy of the test results.
5. Two references must be supplied by all applicants. Please email a Reference Form to each of your referees and ensure that they are aware of the deadline.
 - a. All references must be submitted on the standard reference form provided on the BACS website
 - b. Each reference filename MUST include the applicant's and the referee's names: <WALEY Arthur HES reference GILES>
 - c. Referees must provide their email address on the form to enable BCS to verify the authenticity of the reference.
 - d. Please upload the 2 references as part of your Google form application.
 - e. Please note: it is each applicant's responsibility to make sure that two references are supplied.
6. Where to send your application: submit applications on the Google Form (<https://forms.gle/RsW642Bsd5yq5qvP6>) provided on the BACS website by **31st March 2026**.

Communication of results – Results of the BACS selection will be communicated to individual applicants through email **in late May/June 2026** by the Taipei Representative Office in the UK. BACS is unable to enter into any correspondence regarding the results of the selection. Any queries related to the scholarship, please contact Ms Virginia Jiang (Education Division, TRO) at: virginia@mofa.gov.tw

Successful candidates will be expected to accept or decline the scholarship offer within the timeframe indicated on their HES award notification (issued by email). Candidates should also note that the Taiwanese authorities have made the continuation of the scholarship dependent on the academic performance of the student.

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Application Format	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ONE submission on the 2026 HES Application Google Form https://forms.gle/RsW642Bsd5yq5qvP6 	
You MUST submit the following as part of your Google Form Application:	
1. Completed HES Application form, including digital photograph on p.2	
2. Scanned copy of valid UK passport	
3. Proof of application to a recognised language centre in Taiwan	
4. Scanned copies of the certificates and transcripts of the applicant's highest academic qualification	
5. References (TWO) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> please include the applicant's and the referee's names in the filename <Anna Smith - Dr Keanu Giles- HES reference 	