Southern Taiwan University of Science and Technology (STUST)

2014 Application Instructions

1. Introduction to STUST

1.1. University Overview

Located along the southwest coast of Taiwan in Tainan City, Southern Taiwan University of Science and Technology (STUST) is a competitive international university dedicated to providing students a well-rounded education in both the humanities and technology. Founded in 1969, STUST has quickly moved from a junior college of technology to a full-fledged university with an emphasis on both teaching and research. STUST is composed of 4 colleges (The College of Engineering, The College of Business, The College of Digital Design, and The College of Humanities and Social Sciences) and 24 departments, 32 master programs, and 4 doctoral programs. We currently have 18,567 enrolled students, of which 500 are international students coming from 30 different countries. Our faculty of 569 strives to establish a strong global mindset and independent thinking in each of our students. The annual budget for STUST is around 50 million US Dollars. The campus area is about 16.5 hectares.

STUST provides a comfortable living environment for international students; each dorm room is moderately furnished with a shower, bed, wardrobe, bookshelf, desk, and telephone. Students have to prepare bedding, pillows, blankets, bed sheets, and a mattress (all of which can easily be obtained at a local mega mart). Phones are for inbound calls only, outbound calls cannot be made from dorm phones. Pay phones are available in the lobby of the dorm. Dorm reservations are automatically made for international students. Residence halls have laundry facilities and a TV room. You can rent a refrigerator to keep in the room and a kitchenette is available at the end of 4th floor in Dorm 6. For more information, please check out our website: http://www.stust.edu.tw/en/node/Dormitory_Information.

The school now contains 33 buildings, including the Auditorium, Teaching and Research Building, Internship Workshop, Library, Recreation Building, Student Center, Dormitories for male and female students, Classroom Buildings and so on. In addition to these facilities, there are well-built facilities for sports, including tennis courts, volleyball courts, basketball courts and a track and field. Furthermore, a great number of trees and flowers have been planted on campus. The soothing green lawn, foliage, and shade beautifully contrast with all of STUST’s red brick buildings. Almost year round you can find students either studying or grabbing a bite to eat outside in one of the many gardens or outdoor
recreational areas.

1.2. Achievements

STUST has many outstanding achievements and is regarded as one of the best universities in Taiwan. Some of our remarkable accomplishments are highlighted below:

- In 2012-2013, Southern Taiwan University of Science and Technology (STUST) was evaluated as the top six Paradigm Technological Universities by Taiwan’s Ministry of Education.
- Taiwan’s well-known leading career magazine, Cheers, rated STUST as the top private technical and vocational university favored by enterprises from 2009 to 2014.
- Both our Master’s Program and Doctoral Program in Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering as well as Global MBA Program are taught in English, and have been highly recommended by the Ministry of Education.
- STUST was granted the highest due to the prominent performance in the execution of the Teaching and Learning Excellence Project among private technical and vocational universities by Taiwan’s Ministry of Education from 2006-2013.
- STUST’s undergraduate programs in the College of Engineering are all IEET accredited, the Taiwanese counterpart of ABET, which is also a Provisional Signatory of the Washington Accord.
- STUST’s College of Business is a full member of AACSB and now in the Pre-accreditation phase.

1.3. Features

1.3.1. Professionalism and Features

STUST features such professional colleges as College of Engineering, Business, and Digital Design and Humanities for visual communication and multi-media development, interactive comics and animation creation, health care products, green-energy technology, micro/nano processing technology, and seamless human intelligence living technology.

1.3.2. Teaching Features

STUST emphasizes industry and academia cooperation and a four-year real world curriculum. Teaching features include: curriculum planning meets the demand of future careers, R&D achievements integrated into teaching, inviting experts from industries to co-teach, students participating in industry-academia research projects, encouraging students to make the most of internship opportunities,
pushing CIE (Creativity, Innovation and Entrepreneurship) teaching.

1.3.3. Industry-Academia Collaboration

Industry-academia collaboration is one of the crucial indicators and distinctive features in technical and vocational education. By means of improving R&D quality and quantity, promoting patented products, inviting experts from industries to co-teach, and strengthening students’ practical ability in their specialized fields, STUST not only increases the quantity but also enhances the quality of our collaborations thus enabling our university to become a valuable partner for a variety of industries.

1.3.4. International Cooperation

- STUST has established formal academic relationships with 160 universities in 26 countries, including renowned universities in USA, Canada, UK, France, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Netherlands, Japan, Korea, China, Russia, Indonesia, Thailand, and Vietnam.
- The four colleges at STUST collaborate to invite distinguished scholars from our partner universities to participate in our annual international conferences. In addition, we regularly host scholars from abroad for academic lectures and classroom presentations on our campus.
- We eagerly recruit international students to study at STUST, and we provide them with Chinese lessons, scholarships and other comprehensive services. Currently, we have more than 500 international students coming from 30 countries.

1.4. Degree Programs

STUST provides various prestigious programs to international and domestic students. There are 8 English-taught programs and 57 Chinese-taught programs which are listed below.

Departments and Degree Programs

1. English-Taught Programs for International Students

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The symbol “V” represents that the specific degree program is available

**How to Apply**- In order to apply, please submit the following:

1. Application Form
It is extremely important that you fill in the Application Form as accurately and completely as possible, so that our Admission Committee will not delay your review because of unclear or missing information. (Reminder: make sure to sign the "Declaration" on the last page of the application form.)

To download an application form, go to: http://www.stust.edu.tw/en and click “Admission” and then in the sidebar click “Apply to STUST.” If you prefer to apply online, an online application form is available at: http://portal.stust.edu.tw/intstudweb/.

2. Official Graduation Diploma AND Academic Transcript or Marks Sheet

Submit photocopies of 1.) the original graduation diploma and 2.) the official transcript. The school’s official seal or stamp must be visible on both. These documents must be in Chinese or translated into English. These two documents must be certified with a seal or stamp by a Taiwan representative office or Taiwan embassy/consulate in the applicant’s country. Students who have not yet graduated must submit their diplomas when they report to STUST; otherwise, their admission will be cancelled.

3. Health Certificate

Rubella, German Rubella and HIV tests are required. If found HIV positive after enrollment, your acceptance will be revoked. You can find the official Health Certificate form under "Admission" at the school's English website. To download the form, go to: http://www.stust.edu.tw/en and click on “Admission” and then in the sidebar click on “Apply to STUST.”

4. Letters of Recommendation

In most cases, two letters of recommendation in sealed envelopes with a chop seal or signature outside are required from people who can assess your academic or professional background (such as a professor or job supervisor). The recommendation letter format can be decided by the person recommending you; however, please make sure that they clearly list their name, their relation to you, and their contact information.

5. An Official Financial Statement of Personal Savings (i.e. Bank Balance Statement)

All international students planning to study in Taiwan are required to show evidence that they can pay for tuition, health insurance, housing, fees, and personal expenses during the time they are to study at STUST. This statement should be an official document issued by the bank and show a recent total balance of your personal savings. Failing to provide a financial statement may cause your Taiwan visa application to be rejected when you go to the Taiwan embassy.

6. Statement of Purpose or Personal Essay

Although the presentation format may differ, all programs will require you to provide written reasons for wishing to earn a degree in your intended program. In some cases, you also will be asked to submit a current resume with a summary of your work experiences.

7. Proof of Language Proficiency

Make sure that you have taken the English language tests required for entrance into your chosen program, and submit your score report. The following proficiency exams are accepted: TOEFL PBT (minimum 500 or IBT 63), TOEIC (minimum 670) or IELTS (minimum 5.0). If you are pursuing any Chinese-taught programs of STUST, TOCFL Band B Level 3 in Listening and Reading or HSK Level 6 test report is the minimum requirement.
8. Other relevant documents or awards that might promote your application

9. SPM, STPM or UEC Transcript (for Malaysian Senior High School Students Only)

Form 5 Malaysian high school graduates have to take extra 15 credits to receive bachelor degree.

Review Process and Admission Decision

The academic merit of your application will be reviewed once we have received all of your application materials: Application Form, Signature of Declaration, Official Graduation Diploma, Academic Transcripts, Letters of Recommendation, and Test Scores. However, a final admission decision of acceptance can not be made on your application until the Financial Statement of Personal Savings has been received.

As soon as your application is complete and submitted, a final decision will be made on your application as soon as possible. An official acceptance letter will be mailed soon after to the mailing address you provided on the application form.

The Academic Year at STUST

STUST operates on a “two-semester” system, with semesters called “Fall” and “Spring.”

**FALL SEMESTER**
Mid-September to Mid-January

**SPRING SEMESTER**
Mid-February to Mid-June

Tuition & Fees

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<td>Approximately US$3,450 per year</td>
<td>The tuition and fees is same for both undergraduate and graduate students.</td>
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<td>On-Campus Dormitory</td>
<td>US$1,200 for a four-person room per year</td>
<td>Off-campus housing is also available. Please check with contact person for more information.</td>
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<td>Extra Personal Expenses</td>
<td>Approximately US$2,800 per year</td>
<td>Includes books, insurance, visa application, food, commodities, etc.</td>
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Government Scholarships

Governmental scholarships, such as the Taiwan Scholarship/Huayu Enrichment Scholarship Program, are available. You may access information about Taiwan's universities/colleges and the latest program guidelines by going to the Ministry of Education's website at [www.edu.tw/bicer](http://www.edu.tw/bicer) or Ministry of Foreign Affairs ([www.mofa.gov.tw](http://www.mofa.gov.tw)). Application period is from **Feb. 1 to March 31** each year.
Scholarships

STUST provides the following scholarships for applicants with good academic performance who are not receiving financial aid from the Taiwanese government or from their home country. A scholarship will be canceled if you are awarded grants or scholarships from other organizations.

Types of Scholarships
1. Undergraduate
   (1) Tuition and fees waived.
   (2) Half of tuition and fees waived.
2. Master’s
   (1) Tuition and fees waived.
   (2) Half of tuition and fees waived.
3. Ph.D.: Tuition, fees, and dormitory fees waived plus monthly stipend of 10,000 TWD, scholarship recipients will be obliged to assist advisors to facilitate various research works and publish journals.

Remarks: To keep your scholarship, you have to maintain good academic performance. Please refer to STUST Regulations of Scholarships for International Student (page 8-10).

Application Deadlines:
April 30th for the fall semester, December 15th for the spring semester

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Darby Liao via email: darby56@mail.stust.edu.tw

Please apply online at: http://www.stust.edu.tw/en or send paper applications to the following address:

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Office of International Affairs,
Southern Taiwan University of Science and Technology
No. 1, Nan-Tai Street, Yongkang Dist.,
Tainan City 71005, Taiwan
南台科技大學外國學生獎學金設置辦法
The Regulations of Southern Taiwan University of Science and Technology (STUST) Scholarship for International Students

第一條 南台科技大學(以下簡稱本校)為鼓勵優秀外國學生就讀本校，特訂定本辦法。
Article 1
To encourage outstanding international students to study at STUST, we hereby set up this scholarship.

第二條 本辦法所稱之外國學生係指符合教育部「外國學生來台就學辦法」規範之外國學生。
Article 2
The Regulations of STUST Scholarship for International Students is based on the Ministry of Education’s Regulations Regarding International Students Undertaking Studies in Taiwan.

第三條 為研訂及審核本獎學金支領標準、名額及其他相關事宜，特成立外國學生獎學金審核小組，小組成員由行政副校長、教務長、學務長、國際事務處處長、四院院長組成之，由行政副校長擔任召集人，國際事務處處長擔任執行秘書。
Article 3
To initiate and review this scholarship’s awarding criteria, number of recipients and other relevant issues, the Reviewing Team was set up. The Team is comprised of the Executive Vice President, the Dean of Academic Affairs, the Dean of Student Affairs, the Director of the Office of International Affairs, the Deans of the four colleges. The Reviewing Team is chaired by the Executive Vice President, and the Director of the Office of International Affairs serves as Executive Secretary.

第四條 獎學金種類：
一、大學部：
(一) 學雜費全免獎學金。
(二) 學雜費半免獎學金。
二、碩士班：
(一) 學雜費全免獎學金。
(二) 學雜費半免獎學金。
三、博士班：學雜費全免、住宿費全免及提供每月獎學金新台幣 10,000 元，領此獎學金者有義務協助指導教授推動各項研究工作並發表論文。
Article 4
Types of Scholarships
1. Undergraduate
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2. Master’s
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第五條 外國學生申請本獎學金者，應於申請就讀本校時(秋季班五月十五日前，春季班十二月十五日前)，於入學申請表中勾選適當之獎學金申請項目，並檢附下列資料向本校國際事務
處提出申請:
一、學歷證書及歷年成績單
（經台灣駐外館處認證）
二、二封推薦信
三、讀書計畫或研究計畫
四、自傳
五、英語成績證明（TOEFL、IELTS、TOEIC）
六、馬來西亞學生需檢附統一考試成績（UCE）、SPM 或 STPM

Article 5
International students who apply for this scholarship should tick off types of scholarships on the application form and enclose the following required documents by the deadline of May 15 for the fall semester and December 15 for the spring semester through the Office of International Affairs:
1. Photocopies of the original graduation diploma and the official transcript (These two documents must be certified with a seal or stamp by a Taiwan representative office or Taiwan embassy/consulate in the applicant’s country);
2. Two letters of recommendation;
3. Study or research plan;
4. Autobiography;
5. Proof of English ability via an official exam such as TOEFL, IELTS and TOEIC;
6. Malaysian students need to enclose United Examination Certificate (UCE), SPM or STPM.

第六條 當學期註冊之在學生續領本獎學金需檢附前一學年成績單，於開學第二週前向國際事務處提出續領查核，碩博士班學生學業平均成績需達 78 分(含)以上，大學部學生學業平均成績需達 70 分(含)以上，且操行成績需達 80 分(含)以上，方可續領。若未達上述成績標準將取消受獎資格，若未來成績達上述標準，也不再提供獎學金。

Article 6
Current enrolled students who continue to receive this scholarship will submit transcripts from the previous academic year within the first two weeks of the semester for renewal verification. The scholarship can be renewed if a Master’s and Ph.D. student maintains average overall grade of at least 78 (on a scale of 0 to 100) and maintains at least an 80 for the conduct grade. For undergraduate students, the scholarship can be renewed if the student maintains average overall grade is at least 70 (on a scale of 0 to 100) maintains at least an 80 for the conduct grade. The scholarship will be cancelled if students fail to maintain the above-mentioned criteria. If students reach the above-mentioned criteria, the scholarship will not be renewed.

第七條 領取本獎學金就讀大學部者最多獎勵四年，就讀碩士班者最多獎勵二年，就讀博士班者最多獎勵三年。
獎學金名額視當年度本校獎學金預算而定。

Article 7
The maximum length for a recipient to receive this scholarship is four years for an undergraduate, two years for master’s student and three years for a Ph.D. student. The number of scholarship recipients will be based on STUST’s budget for the current academic year.

第八條 已領取「台灣獎學金」、外國政府獎學金(如：湄公1000專案計畫獎學金)、菁英來台留學計畫獎學金等)或本校其他獎學金者，不得重複領取本獎學金。若發現重複領取者，應需擇一領取。

Article 8
Those recipients who have received a Taiwan Scholarship, foreign governmental scholarships (such as Mekong 1000 Project Scholarship, Elite Study in Taiwan Scholarship, etc) or other STUT scholarships will not be eligible to receive this scholarship as well. If it is discovered that a student is receiving scholarships in addition to this one, they will have to choose one.

第九條 受核定獎勵之學生，如未完成註冊或轉學離校者，取消其受獎資格；學期中途休、退
Article 9
The scholarship will be terminated if a student does not comply with enrollment regulations by the specified deadline or transfers to another school. Further, the scholarship will also be terminated immediately after a recipient’s suspension or withdrawal from STUST.

第十條 本辦法經行政會議通過後，陳請校長核定後公布施行，修正時亦同。
Article 10
These Regulations were officially approved at the STUST’s Administrative Meeting and are made public by the President, any amendments will undergo the same process.