

Chinese Language Center College of Liberal Arts National Cheng Kung University Tainan, Taiwan

2024 Customized Chinese Language Program for Niigata University (4 weeks)

Since 1982, 41 years' experience.

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National Cheng Kung University¹

National Cheng Kung University is located in Tainan, Taiwan, and is ranked second among all the universities in Taiwan. Since its establishment in 1931, NCKU has transformed from an engineering college into a comprehensive university comprised of 9 colleges, including Liberal Arts, Sciences, Engineering, Electrical Engineering & Computer Science, Planning & Design, Management, Social Sciences, Medicine, and Bioscience & Biotechnology on 11 campuses. National Cheng Kung University has the highest number of international students and is one of Taiwan's top research-intensive universities and a leader in promoting industry-academia cooperation. With more than 1,347 faculty members, 21,773 students, and 200,000 alumni worldwide, the university is best known for its science, engineering, medicine, management, planning, and design.



Chinese Language Center²

The Chinese Language Center (hence, CLC) of National Cheng Kung University (NCKU), Tainan, Taiwan, was established in 1982, offering a complete Chinese language program to promote the learning of Chinese language and cultural exchange to international students. The CLC receives more than 1,000 international students of the ages between 17 to 70 from over 50 different countries annually.

¹ <u>https://www.ncku.edu.tw/</u> ² <u>http://kclc.ncku.edu.tw</u>

The CLC has been evaluated by the Ministry of Education, Taiwan, as a Grade A Language Institute of Chinese. Its educational quality has also been recognized by the American Council for International Education. It has been selected as one of the host institutes of Chinese Learning for American students in the Critical Language Scholarship.

The center has 24 full-time certified language instructors and over 13 administrative staff to facilitate students' learning on campus.

Features

- 1. Curriculum design with equal emphasis on language and culture
 - (1) Immersive Chinese Learning

The CLC features an immersive learning environment using Chinese as the primary medium of instruction and communication. All courses emphasize interaction and authentic materials to help students use the target language for real-life communication.

(2) Local Cultural Experiences

Cultural activities and language contests are held every quarter to bring fun and societal knowledge to learning. Besides language classes, extracurricular activities such as heritage tours, and one-day tours are held by the CLC. Other activities are arranged according to local seasonal festivals, such as Chinese New Year, Dragon Boat Festival, and Mid-Autumn Festival.

(3) Club Participation and Community Service

The Intercultural Student Volunteer Organization (ISV) formed by NCKU students provides opportunities for foreign students and local students to learn from each other and participate in the local student club. Students of the CLC can participate in language and cultural exchange services which are organized by nearby elementary, junior and senior high schools.

2. Recognized Teaching Quality

The CLC has been evaluated and recognized by the Taiwanese Ministry of Education as a Language Institute of Chinese. Its educational quality has also been recognized by the American Councils for International Education (ACIE). The CLC has been selected as one of the host institutes of Chinese Learning for American students in the Critical Language Scholarship, sponsored by the U.S. Department of State. Furthermore, the CLC has cooperated with many top universities in the world, such as the University of California Irvine (USA), Utah State University (USA), the University of Edinburgh (UK), the University of Nottingham (UK), and the University of Tübingen (Germany).

3. Diverse Courses for Different Learning Demands

The CLC offers two options of class style -- small group classes and individual classes. Students in either class style have the option to also take elective language classes and elective cultural classes. According to personal needs, students can strengthen language skills in terms of knowledge, skills, emotions, etc., or learn Chinese arts and culture, such as calligraphy, Chinese painting, martial arts, Tai chi, and local delicacies. Customized courses can be designed for specific group projects, such as intensive programs and overseas study credit courses.



Living in Tainan³

1. Reasonable living expense

One month living costs (exclude dormitory fee) in Tainan may range from TWD10,000-15,000 \doteqdot JPY46,300-69,450 ⁴.

2. Safe environment

Due to its low crime rate and general safety, Tainan is entitled one of Taiwan's most livable cities in 2012.

3. Capital of culture & friendly people

Tainan is the historic and cultural capital of Taiwan. The warm, hospitable and easy-going Southern Taiwanese culture contrasts the region's dual identity as a major high-tech industrial hub.

³ <u>http://www.twtainan.net/en-us</u>

⁴ TWD1 \rightleftharpoons JPY4.63

Program Structure⁵

1. Course duration:

Duration: 4 weeks Dates: February 26, 2024, to March 22, 2024 Arrival date: February 21, 2024 Departure date: March 23, 2024

2. Course design

Small Group Class tutoring Classes (1 or 2 students per teacher) Cultural Excursions Language Exchange Partner Host family Certificate of completing the continuing education program

4. Course structure

(1) Small Group Classes

- 2 hours per day, five days a week. There are 3 to 5 people in one class.
- Professional and experienced teachers of Chinese Language.
- Textbook: A Course in Contemporary Chinese.
- Hanyu pinyin Romanization and traditional characters are used as the principal written codes of instruction. However, if students are used to simplified characters, teachers can teach in simplified characters.

(2) Tutoring Classes

- 1 hour per day, five days a week.
- One-on-one or one-on-two tutorial classes are designed to coordinate with class content and help students to solve language problems they have encountered both in and out of class.

(3) Cultural Excursions

- A half-day trip: Tainan historical site tour.

(4) Language Exchange partner

- 2 days a week, 2 hours per day
- One-on-one or one-on-two language partner with students of National Cheng Kung University.
- Interactions with student associations of National Cheng Kung University.

(5) Weekend Spending with Local Host Families (Optional)

Stay with local families for one weekend.

⁵ <u>http://kclc.ncku.edu.tw</u>

5. Assessment

- (1) Final Grade = Class Work 70% + Final Exam 30%
- (2) Class Work 70%
- (3) Final Examination 30%: Including oral, reading, and writing tests.
- (4) Students will be awarded a certificate of completion of the continuing education program and a transcript when the class finishes.

6. Extracurricular Activities

- (1) Student orientation.
- (2) Campus sports facilities: volleyball, basketball, badminton, table tennis, running, softball, baseball, football, swimming, tennis, and gym. The above equipment is required to be paid for in accordance with school regulations.
- (3) Welcome dinner with a language exchange partner.

8. Detailed Fee Structure

- All tuition and fees are payable in New Taiwanese Dollars only. For the purposes of this brochure, we are using the current exchange rate of roughly TWD: JPY ≒ 1:4.63. As exchange rates are subject to change, please double-check the rate before making payment.
- 2. The subsidy support from the NCKU College of Science is TWD 80,000 in total. The total price quoted, after subtracting NTD 80000 from the NCKU College of Science, divided by the number of participants, will be the price to be paid by each student from Niigata University.

Expenditure Category	Customized Program	
PARTICIPANT COSTS	Per participant (Based on 3-5 participants)	Breakdown
In-country orientation	TWD1500≒ JPY6,945	Including orientation, welcome dinner, library card and registration fee.
Tuition fee	TWD40,000≒ JPY185,200	 Small group class, 40 hours One-on-one or 1-on-2 tutorial classes, 20 hours A half-day trip Textbooks or teaching materials Accident Insurance: Take out 2 million accident insurance for 32 days Pay for Accident and Out-Patient Medical.(Overnight hospitalization fees is not included.) Maximum compensation of TWD

		 2,000,000 for death or six degrees of disability. Medical compensation of up to TWD 200,000 for treatment resulting from accidents. Administration fee: including program design, classroom, closing banquet, student support, etc.
Language Exchange Partner	TWD0	- Covered by the Center
Weekend host family	TWD0	- Covered by the Center
Chest X-ray check fee	TWD300≒ JPY1,389	NCKU requires international students to submit a chest X-ray examination certificate within one month before enrollment. Students who have no certification must go to the hospital for a chest X-ray examination in the first week of school.
Subtotal	TWD41,800≒ JPY193,534	
Accommodation 1. Off-campus: Single room 2. On-campus: Including double room, triple and quad.	TWD10,150≒ JPY46,995	 Rent: TWD 200 x32 nights= TWD6,400 Registration fee: TWD 500 Administration fee: TWD 250 Electricity card: TWD1000 (Extra electricity costs TWD5.5 per kilowatt-hour.) Basic Bedding: TWD2,000 (Mattress, pillow, and blanket)
We cannot guarantee which kind of room type and which dorm will be arranged.		** Note: Charge for service during non-office hours: TWD1,450 is not included. (If the check-in/out time of students is not between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm from Monday to Friday, they will have to pay this fee.)

Note:

- 1. All fees are required to be paid by January 5, 2024 (about one and a half month of the class start).
- 2. All fees are not refundable and non-transferable.
- 3. The language center does not provide meals for students. Food can be found easily and cheaply at the restaurant on the campus or around the university. Each meal should cost a minimum of around TWD80 (approx. JPY370).
- 4. We cannot guarantee which kind of room type and which dorm will be arranged. On-campus dormitories should be applied for three months before; and will be arranged by the Housing Service Division. Students cannot choose a room type. Availability and assigned beds cannot be confirmed until one to two weeks before

check-in.

9. Other Information for your reference

(1) Accommodation

Accommodation will be arranged according to the needs of students, based on availability. The dormitory is located within a 30-minute walk from campus.

A. Single Room off campus

- Facilities: A bed, a bathroom, a desk, a chair, a wardrobe, a fridge, and TV.
- Internet connection and Wi-Fi are available in the rooms.
- The dorms also include a common room (with TV, Payphones), a drink machine, a washing machine, and a dryer.
- Cooking is not allowed inside the rooms.
- For more detailed information, please visit the following: Paragon Inn International

B. Room on campus

On-campus dormitories should be applied for three months before; and will be arranged by the Housing Service Division. Students cannot choose a room type. Availability and assigned beds cannot be confirmed until one to two weeks before check-in.

a. Double room

- Facilities include two single beds and an en-suite bathroom, 2 desks, 2 chairs, 2 wardrobes. Fridge and air-conditioning installed. Also included: internet and phone lines installed in rooms, but no Wi-Fi.
- The dorms also include: a common room (with TV, Payphones), drinks machine, washing machine and dryer.
- Cooking is not allowed inside the rooms.

Reference:(敬業三舍)

http://dorm.osa.ncku.edu.tw/dorm_introduction/Ching_Yeh_3.html

b. Triple and Quadruple Room

- Except that there is no refrigerator and bathroom equipment in the room, other equipment is the same as in the double room dormitory. Students use public toilets and bathrooms outside the room.

Reference:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MV8txMCVALOK93gRzser5oRpLkrsz6fB/view ?usp=drive_link

(2) Transportation fee:

NOTE: Total costs are <u>round trip, per person</u>; however, break-down costs are

one-way per person.

From Taoyuan International Airport to Tainan:

Taiwan High Speed Rail (HSR)(round trip): 2,490 TWD /per person (approx. 125 AUD)

-	Shuttle bus from Airport to Taoyuan HSR station (one-way):
-	HSR from Taoyuan to Tainan (one-way):
	1,190 TWD (approx. 60 AUD)
-	Shuttle bus from HSR station to Tainan City (one-way) :
	25 TWD (approx. 1.3 AUD)

***Remind:** The last train to Tainan from Taoyuan HSR Station leaves at 22:35, only groups arriving into Taipei-Taoyuan by 20:30 will be able to travel by HSR. Using an HSR transfer, it takes roughly three (3) hours to travel to Tainan City.