



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

**2025**  
**Customized Chinese Language Program for**  
**Niigata University (4 weeks)**

*Since 1982, 42 years' experience.*

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.ncku.edu.tw/>

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 Center<sup>2</sup>**

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.

The CLC has been evaluated by the Ministry of Education, Taiwan, as a Grade A

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<sup>2</sup> <http://kclcncku.edu.tw>

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 23 full-time certified language instructors and over 11 administrative staff to facilitate students' learning on campus.

## **Curriculum Design**

The CLC offers a complete curriculum from pre-novice (Level A) to advanced (Level I) levels to suit the needs of students with different backgrounds and experiences. The CLC runs the program on a quarter system, with four quarters of a year. Each quarter features 10 or 11 weeks of courses. A full-time student is required to take at least 15 hours of classes per week during a quarter. The 15 hours is formed by a required comprehensive four-skill small-group course of 10 hours and 3 to 4 elective courses, 2 hours each, of students' choices from different themes, including communication/speaking, grammar/syntax, reading & writing, and cultures.

The CLC features an immersion learning environment, using Chinese as the primary medium of instruction and communication. The textbooks are mainly in traditional Chinese characters with supportive teaching aids in simplified characters. All the courses emphasize interaction and authentic materials to help students use the target language for real-life communication. Cultural activities and language contests are held every quarter to bring fun and societal knowledge to learning. The maximum number for each class is 13 to ensure an interactive language teaching and learning environment.

Applicants to the CLC program will first take a placement test to be allocated into the appropriate level of courses. A certificate of course completion will be issued to full-time students who successfully pass the evaluation of each course taken in a quarter.



More information about the CLC and its programs is available from the website at:

[https://kclc.ncku.edu.tw/en/about\\_us](https://kclc.ncku.edu.tw/en/about_us)

● **CLC Introduction Video:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7VZHEK7NQ8>

● **Introduction Video Showcasing a Live Teaching Session at the CLC:**

[https://youtu.be/F8pmo4\\_OeCE](https://youtu.be/F8pmo4_OeCE)

## **Living in Tainan<sup>3</sup>**

### **1. Reasonable living expense**

One month living costs (exclude dormitory fee) in Tainan may range from TWD10,000-15,000  $\doteq$  JPY46,300-69,450 <sup>4</sup>.

### **2. Safe environment**

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

### **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.

## **Customized 4-week Program Structure<sup>5</sup>**

### **1. Course duration:**

Duration: 4 weeks

Dates: February 24, 2025, to March 21, 2025

Arrival date: February 17, 2025

Departure date: March 23, 2025

Online application: <https://forms.gle/5q1tnzqRJU6kyeWTA>

Application deadline: November 15, 2024

### **2. Course design**

Small Group Class

Tutoring Classes (1 or 2 students per teacher)

Cultural Excursions

Language Exchange Partner

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

<sup>4</sup> TWD1  $\doteq$  JPY4.63

<sup>5</sup> <http://kclc.ncku.edu.tw>

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. 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

1. 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  $\approx$  1:4.63. As exchange rates are subject to change, please double-check the rate before making payment.
2. If the NCKU College of Science offers any subsidy support, the total quoted price, after deducting the subsidy, will be divided by the number of participants to determine the price per student from Niigata University.

Expenditure Category	Customized Program	Breakdown
<b>PARTICIPANT COSTS</b>	<b>Per participant</b> (Based on 3-5 participants)	
In-country orientation	TWD1,575 $\approx$ JPY7,292	Including orientation, welcome dinner, library card and registration fee.
Tuition fee	TWD42,000 $\approx$ JPY194,460	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Small group class, 40 hours</li> <li>- One-on-one or 1-on-2 tutorial classes, 20 hours</li> <li>- A half-day trip</li> <li>- Textbooks or teaching materials</li> <li>- Accident Insurance: Take out 2 million accident insurance for 35 days Pay for Accident and Out-Patient Medical.( Overnight hospitalization fees is not included.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maximum compensation of TWD 2,000,000 for death or six degrees of disability.</li> <li>• Medical compensation of up to TWD 200,000 for treatment resulting from accidents.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Administration fee: including program design, classroom, student support, etc.</li> </ul>
Language Exchange Partner	TWD0	- Covered by the Center
Weekend host family	TWD0	- Covered by the Center
Chest X-ray check fee	TWD315 $\approx$ JPY1,458	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	TWD43,890 ≐ JPY203,210	
Accommodation 1. Off-campus: Single room 2. On-campus: Including double room, triple and quad.  We cannot guarantee which kind of room type and which dorm will be arranged.	TWD11,467 ≐ JPY53,092	1. Rent: TWD 210 x35nights= TWD7,350 (Feb. 17-Mar. 23) 2. Registration fee: TWD 525 3. Administration fee: TWD 263 4. Electricity card: TWD 840(Extra electricity costs TWD5.5 per kilowatt-hour.) 5. Basic Bedding: TWD2,100 (Mattress, pillow, and blanket) 6. Charge for service during non-office hours: TWD389. ( 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. )
Total (Per Participant)	TWD55,357 ≐ JPY256,303	

**Note:**

1. All fees are required to be paid by January 5, 2025 (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 15-minute walk from campus.

**A. 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](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](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1MV8txMCVALOK93gRzser5oRpLkrsz6fB/view?usp=drive_link)

#### **B. Hotel: Academy Hotel: <http://www.academyhotel.com.tw/zh-tw>**

- a. Double room: TWD46,000 per month for two people (2 beds). If you stay there for more than one month, the rent is about TWD2200 per day per room.
  - b. Single room: TWD43,000 per month for one person (one bed). If you stay there for more than one month, the rent is about TWD1900 per day per room.
- ※The exact amount will be the price Academy Hotel quotes.

#### **(2) Transportation fee:**

**NOTE:** Total costs are round trip, per person; 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):  
.....30 TWD (approx. 1.5 AUD)
- 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



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travel to Tainan City.