

# **National Chengchi University's Regulations for Governing Faculty Members and Researchers Applying for the Research Subsidy Incentives of National Science and Technology Council**

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Article 1: National Chengchi University (hereinafter referred to as the University) has specified these regulations to handle Research Subsidy Incentives of National Science and Technology Council (hereinafter referred to as the NSTC), in accordance with NSTC's Guidelines of the Research Incentives for universities and colleges.

Article 2: Eligibility and number of recipients to the Research Subsidy:

1. Recipients: current full-time academic researchers at the University who have outstanding research records and who possess following qualifications:
  - Principal Investigators, or serving as a Co-Principal Investigator and receiving a Co- Co-Principal Investigator fee that is higher than or equal to the Principal Investigator fee allocated for the general project in that fiscal year, and those who have conducted a NSTC Research Project Grant in the year before the start of the current subsidy period (August 1st) and who quality under item three of the NSTC Grant for Research Project Guidelines.
  - If the employee is hired after August 1 in the year before the start of the current subsidy period, then it will be limited to the first-time employed in Taiwan.
2. Number of Awards: The number of awards shall not exceed 40% of the total number of Principal Investigators conducting projects of the NSTC Research Project Grant in the year of application. Of these applicants, the proportion at associate professor level (or below) shall not be lower than 10% of the number of awarded. However, if the number of

the applicants at associate professor level (or below) does not reach this proportion, the award allocation will be adjusted accordingly to reflect the applicant pool.

Article 3: Researchers who possess the aforementioned outstanding research merits shall also meet one of the following qualifications:

1. Those have received the National Chair Professorships Award from the Ministry of Education.
2. Those have received the Academic Award from the Ministry of Education.
3. Those have received the NSTC Outstanding Research Award more than 2 times.
4. Those have received the NSTC Outstanding Research Award within 5 years.
5. Those have received the the University Outstanding Research Award 1 time, or Academic Research Award 3 times within a span of 5 years.
6. Those have been the Principal Investigator, or have served as co-Principal Investigator and have received a co-research director fee that is higher than or equal to the Principal Investigator fee allocated for the general project in that fiscal year for the NSTC Project, in total more than 12 times (including the Category A Research Award before 2002. Note: research projects may not be counted more than once towards this total number).
7. Those have been the Principal Investigator, or have served as Co-Principal Investigator and have received a co-research director fee that is higher than or equal to the Principal Investigator fee allocated for the general project in that fiscal year for the NSTC Project, in total more than 5 times within 5 years.
8. Those have acted as Principal Investigator, or have served as co-Principal Investigator and have received a co-research director fee that is higher than or equal to the Principal Investigator fee allocated for the general project in that fiscal year in various subsidy projects (including non-NSTC projects) and have had independent control over budgets exceeding NT\$5 million in addition to possessing outstanding academic and professional performance in the last five years.
9. Recipients of the NSTC “Ta-You Wu Memorial Award” or other equivalent national or international awards, or other special achievement as determined by Award Committee.

Article 4: These rewards are based on the results of the previous year of the NSTC Research Projects obtained by each college and the research centers which are subject to the rules of Article 7, Paragraph 1 of the Organization Guidelines of the University, and are used as a reference for assessing the total amount of funds and number of people awarded for each college and research center. This assessment is determined by the Review Committee in accordance with the record of the applicant's outstanding performance.

Article 5: As for the deadline, amount and period for applying for the subsidy, The Office of Research And Development (R&D Office) may assist the academic researchers' applications in

accordance with the related regulations of NSTC and the Subsidy Incentives during the application period.

Article 6: The University shall form a Review Committee to review Subsidy Incentives applications. Members of the committee shall consist of University staff or other scholars recruited by the President, and a principle of avoidance shall be observed to prevent possible conflicts of interests.

Article 7: Monthly payment of the Subsidy Incentives:

1. Chair Professors: Original academic research subsidy plus NT\$10,000; however for those who began their employment at the University starting from the 2018 academic year or later, their research subsidy shall be their original academic research subsidy plus NT\$5,000.
2. Distinguished Professors, Distinguished Associate Professor (Distinguished Research Fellows, Distinguished Associate Research Fellows): Original subsidy plus NT\$10,000; however for those who began their employment at the University starting from the 2018 academic year or later, their research subsidy shall be the original academic research subsidy plus NT\$5,000.
3. Other academic research fellows: the subsidy shall be NT\$12,000 per month.
4. The monthly subsidy incentive of research faculty who have been employed within three years at professorial level (including distinguished professors), associate professors (including distinguished associate professors), or assistant professors may not be less than NT\$80,000, NT\$60,000, and NT\$30,000, respectively. However, they must meet one of following qualifications:
  - They had not held or do not currently hold a position of contracted professor or researcher at an academic research institution in Taiwan prior to being hired at the University.
  - They held a position at a foreign academic research institution within 5 years prior to being hired on at the University.

Note: The aforementioned amount may be adjusted in accordance with the NSTC subsidized amount. The original academic research subsidy for Chair Professors and the original subsidy for distinguished professors (distinguished research fellows), distinguished associate professors (distinguished associate research fellows) may be provided by these Subsidy Incentives in full or in part.

Article 8: If a subsidy recipient were to resign, retire, or are no longer employed by the university during their subsidy period, they must return part of the subsidy in proportion with the subsidy total and the remaining subsidy duration once they leave the University.

Article 9: Those who have received the Subsidy Incentives shall be devoted to the improvement of the University's academic research standard, and submit the research result report (the required format will be determined separately) to the R&D Office two months before the end of the recipient's subsidized period.

Note: The aforementioned research result should include academic books, journal articles, and hosting research projects.

Article 10: The University shall provide academic, research and administrative support for those who have received the Subsidy Incentives.

Article 11: Any other matter not covered herein shall be executed in accordance with the related provisions of NSTC.

Article 12: These regulations are announced and put into effect after being approved by the university fund management board and university affairs meeting, as well as any amendments thereto.