

2023

## SUMMER PROGRAM

Pre-Arrival Guide Book



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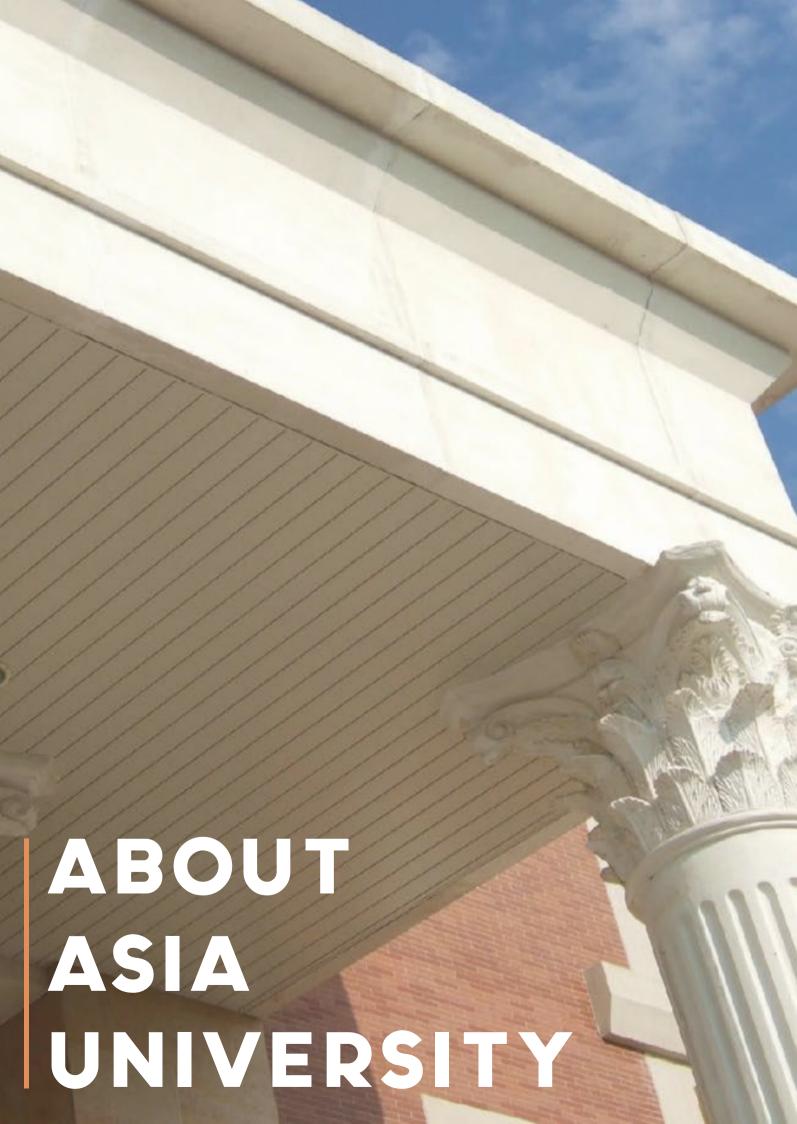
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## Asia University aspires to become a prestigious

international university. In response to the growing trend in the globalization of higher education, AU started recruiting international students in 2004. In order to better serve and care for our fast-growing number of international students, AU established its International College which provides a friendly living and learning environment and helps coordinate and integrate on-campus teaching and research resources for our international students which equip students with English-medium international programs for both graduate and undergraduate students.

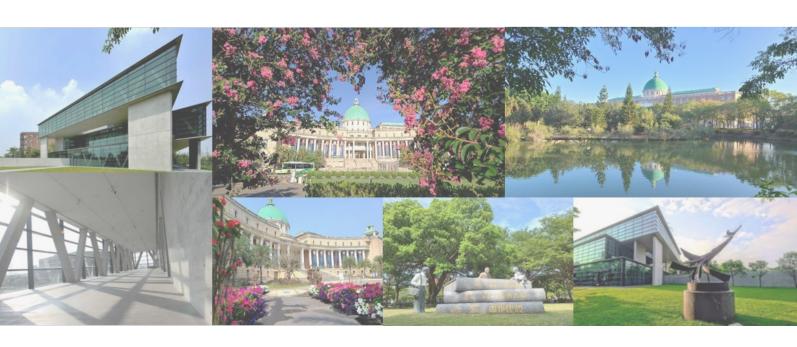


In addition, it offers various CEFR levels of Mandarin Chinese courses to meet the needs of our international students for their academic studies and daily life. It also works together with AU's academic Colleges to create and offer summer programs for the visiting international students of AU's partner universities around the globe.



## **AU World University Rankings**

		Ranking in the World	Ranking in Taiwan	Ranking in Private Univ. in Taiwan
SHANGHAI RANKING	2022 Shanghai ARWU Ranking - Academic Rankings of World University	529	7	3
HIGHER EDUCATION	2023 (THE) Times Higher Education	384	4	3



## Campus Life



Campus life at Asia University is colorful!

You will have numerous touching moments during your study here. There are buildings with elegant architectures to see, scenic lakes and gardens to stroll, artistic statues around to appreciate, art centers and libraries to visit, many student clubs to join, food courts to select, and so on.













## PROCEDURES

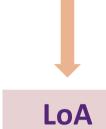
## **Before Arrival**



Application Period

2023 Summer Program Application Deadline:

April 15th, 2023









If a visa is required, please apply.

Check out the website below for more information:



Upon receiving the LoA, please fill out the Google form with information about your flight and all required documents.





https://forms.gle/xCLLyHkFRjt2MY4bA







## ABOUT VISA



Students who are staying for less than 1 semester should apply for a visitor visa.

For more information, please contact the Taiwan diplomatic mission or visit the Bureau of Consular Affairs website. If the length of your exchange/visiting period exceeds 30 days, you may need to apply for a Visitor Visa Extension. A fine may be imposed if your visa is overstayed. You can find out more information by contacting the National Immigration Agency.

#### NATIONAL IMMIGRATION AGENCY



https://www.immigration.gov.tw/5475/



+886-2-2388-9393 | +886-800-024-111 (for English and Japanese Service)

#### **Taichung City First Service Center**

Address: 1F., No.22, Wenxin S. 3rd Rd., Nantun Dist., Taichung City, Taiwan (R.O.C.)

Office hours: 08:00 a.m.-17:00 p.m. (through the lunch hour from Monday to Friday)

Email: boi@immigration.gov.tw







## DORMITORY-



No. 500, Liufeng Road, Wufeng District, Taichung City, 41354



Each international student studying at AU is guaranteed to be able to lodge at our school dormitory. Each dormitory room is shared by 4 students, with a toilet set, good lighting, ventilation, and air conditioner.

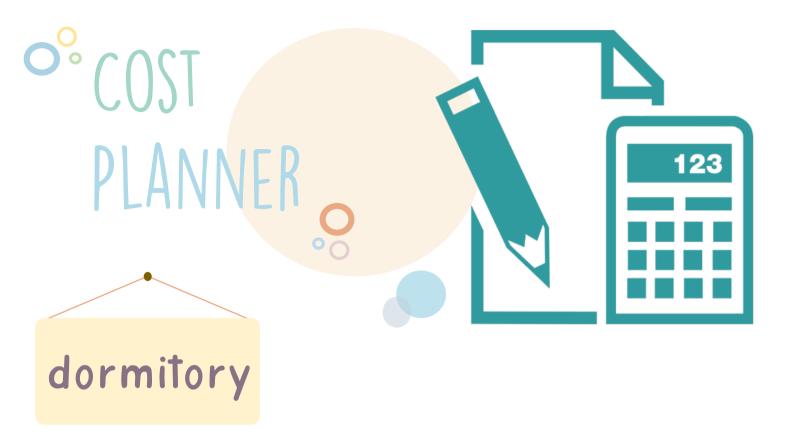
The room is also equipped with public and convenient facilities, which are conducive to students' living needs.

## Bedroom equipment:



- bed
- desk
- chair
- wardrobe
- bookshelf
- telephone
- air conditioner
- curtain





On-campus accommodation fee is 150 NTD (per night).

(Application-related announcements, please go to the latest news to view, Ex: 110 Winter Vacation Accommodation Application Announcement)



For more information, please visit:

https://ds.asia.edu.tw/en/Dormitoryenvironment









1. In order to safeguard privacy rights within the student dormitories, unauthorized entry into the dormitories will not be allowed. Guests' visits may only take place within the first-floor guest room.

#### 2. Living in the Dormitories:

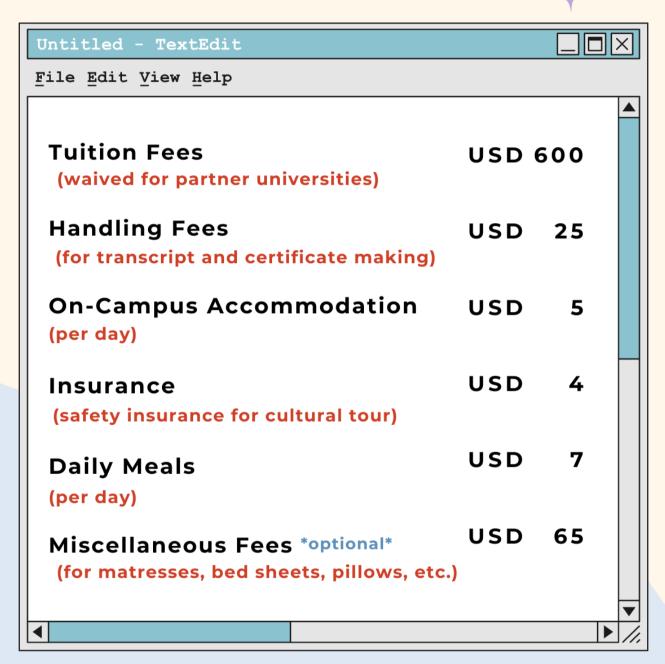
- (1) Before moving into the dormitories, students should first comprehend all rules and regulations, complete the dormitory application before arrival, as well as submit accommodation fees and housing deposits. Upon moving in, the move-in deposit will be converted into a move-out deposit to be returned at the end of the lease.
- (2) When dormitory residents move in, they should inspect the room's facilities and amenities themselves, and fill out and sign the university dormitory's basic facilities checklist form. If there are any damages, immediately notify the repair staff and fill out a repair form. Such repairs will be done by the general office. During the housing period, if it is discovered that anyone has damaged anything, it will be their responsibility to partake in the restoration of the item or pay a certain fine, as well as fulfill other terms depending on the situation.

#### 3. Leaving / Check-out Inspection:

The dormitory key must be returned and the dormitory is clean and tidy (including personal location, wardrobe, bed, public area, etc.).

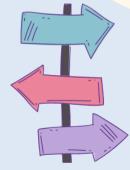
If not completed, the accommodation deposit of will be deducted.

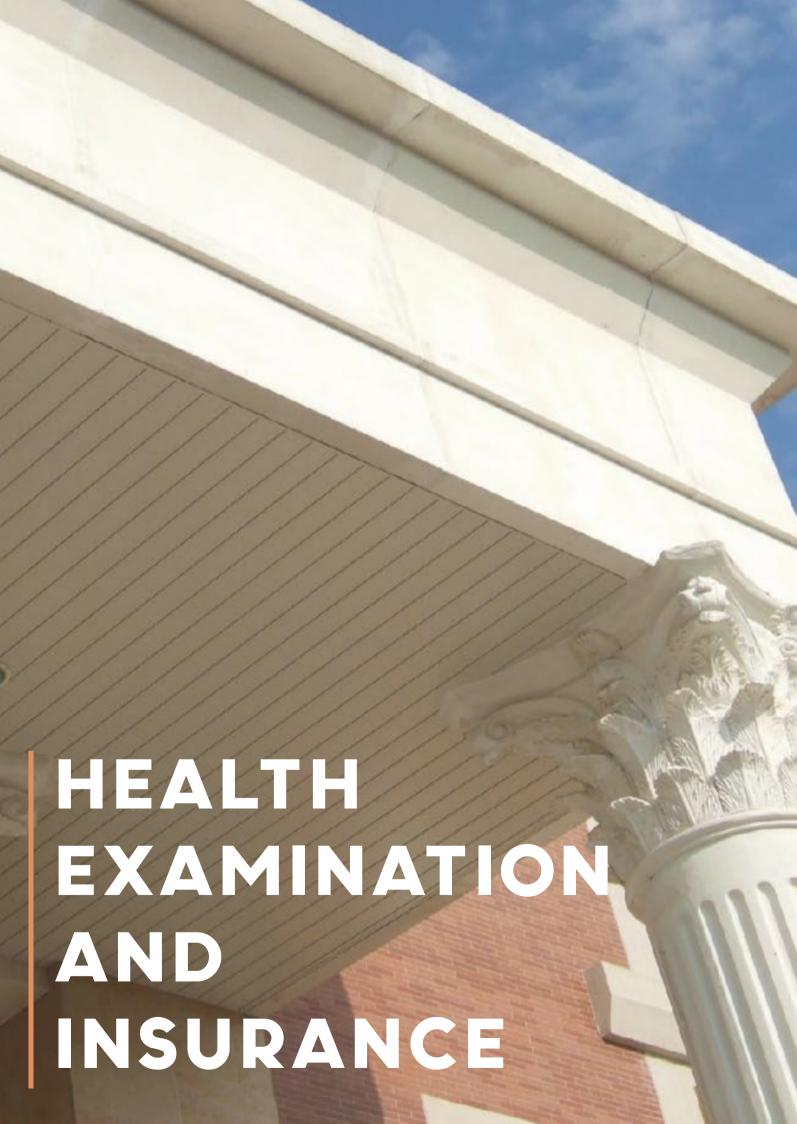
## Estimated Cost for Each Student



\*\*Estimated cost does not include flight ticket, visa fees, medical check-up before arrival, and daily expenses during the program







## HEALTH EXAMINATION



To meet AU and government requirements, all exchange students must take a health exam by a qualified doctor and complete each examination listed on the "Medical Examination Requirements for Students Applying for Short-Term/Long-Term Study in Taiwan (Form C). It should be completed in your home country. The original forms should be submitted to the CIAE on the day of arrival.



For more information, please visit CIAE's website:

https://ciae.asia.edu.tw/en/APPLICATION01/IncomingExchangeStudent



If you are going to do the health exam in Taiwan, please refer to the list of Ministry-designed hospitals at https://ppt.cc/ft8hnx.

## HEALTH INSURANCE

As per the MOE regulations regarding international students undertaking studies in Taiwan: When registering with their intended institutions, new international students must attach medical and injury insurance policies, covering a valid period of no less than 6 months starting from the day when they entered Taiwan. Returning international students must attach policies regarding Taiwan national health insurance and other pertinent coverage plans. The foregoing insurance policies purchased in foreign countries must be authenticated by a Taiwan overseas representative office.

## There are two kinds of medical insurances available for international students:

- 1. The National Health Insurance is for the international students who have an ARC for more than 6 months.
- 2. The Medical Insurance is for the international students who don't have an ARC or staying less than 6 months.

\*\*Students only need to apply for either one of them.





The public transportation system in Taiwan is known for its safety, cleanliness, and reliability, garnering praise from both domestic and foreign tourists. You can even travel to major cities and attractions by different types of public transport. The following are the various types of public transportation available in Taiwan.



















## What should I prepare for applying for a Visitor Visa?

Visitor Visas for Foreign Exchange Students (for stays of less than Six Months)

- Application Form
- Two color passport-size photos
- Original passport and 1 photocopy of the passport
- Original and 1 photocopy of AU letter of admission.
- Original and 1 photocopy of the overseas school's record of enrollment
- Other supporting documents



For more information, please visit:

https://www.boca.gov.tw/cp-158-4342-a78b4-2.html

#### National Immigration Office

Address: 1F., No.22, Wenxin S. 3rd Rd., Nantun Dist., Taichung City Tel: 04-22549981, 04-22542545, 04-22541803, 04-22548930

Web: http://www.immigration.gov.tw/mp.asp?mp=S008



# ABOUT MEDICAL EXAMINATION AND INSURANCE:



#### What types of insurance do I need as a registered student?

You are strongly advised to purchase your own insurance in your home country before traveling to Taiwan. Please provide proof of insurance valid for your entire exchange period for the following:

- Accident insurance worth a minimum of TWD 1,000,000 (approx. USD 34,000)
- Medical insurance worth a minimum of TWD 1,000,000 (approx. USD 34,000)

You can also purchase Student Group Insurance (TWD 600/month) upon your arrival at AU, the International College will help you in this matter.

\*To learn more about student group insurance [click here]

**Worth Noting:** To reimburse the medical fee, you should have a bank account in Taiwan.

## Do I have to undergo the medical examination? What's the procedure?

- To meet AU and government requirements, all new exchange students must complete a health examination by a qualified doctor and complete all parts listed on the <u>Health Certificate for Short-Term Students Forms</u> (Including Proof of Positive Measles and Rubella Antibody or Measles and Rubella Vaccination Certificates and Chest X-ray for Tuberculosis Report). You would need to sent a scanned version to international college and submit the original forms to the IC on the registration day.
- According to the regulation of the National Health Insurance Administration,
  Ministry of Health and Welfare, the examinations must be completed and is
  valid for three months. Any results that have done before TBD are not
  acceptable.

# ABOUT MEDICAL EXAMINATION AND INSURANCE:



Is a medical examination mandatory for short-term students?

Yes. In the past, rubella and tuberculosis outbreaks originating with foreign students have occurred on campus.

In order to ensure student health, short-term students require a medical examination.

Is the use of the Medical Examination Form for Short-term Students (Form C) mandatory?

Form C is used for reference only. Student may choose to submit certificates of immunization (or the positive titer laboratory result) and the chest X-ray examination report to suffice the medical examination requirements.

If I have already been vaccinated against measles and rubella in my home country, will submitting only the certificate of immunization fulfill the medical examination requirement?

If the immunization has been completed in your home country, you may bring the certificate of immunization to Taiwan, and submit the document at the time of school registration to avoid re-taking the vaccine.

\*The document is acceptable as long as the vaccines were given no earlier than 12 months of age.





#### When is the deadline for dormitory application?

The deadline for dormitory application is April 15th, 2023

#### What should I prepare for staying in the dormitory?

- Own mattresses
- Bed sheets
- Pillows
- Towels
- Toiletries
- Personal belongings

#### How should I process the dorm application and payment?

- Dorm Application Form [download here]
- Dormitory payment instruction:
   On your day of arrival at AU, please pay your bill at the bill-paying machine near the Administration Office entrance (cash only).

## How do I know if my dorm application is approved by AU?

In general, everyone who enrolls in the AU Summer Programs will receive a room, so don't worry if your application is denied. However, if any issues arise, please don't hesitate to contact us.





### Is there any airport pick-up for me?

It is highly recommended to pick an arrival time together with other participants from your home university so that we can arrange the airport pick-up services for you.

\*\*Details will be announced in the next notice.

#### How can I access the public transportations?

To access public transportation, you just need a contactless payment system based on wireless technology, such as the EasyCard, iPass, and other related IC cards as a debit card system at shops, and for usage in other capacities such as rewards cards or tickets and keys.



IC cards are available in a large variety of designs and shapes, with the standard cards generally costing NT\$100, which then must be loaded with cash to activate. You may get one by buying it in the convenience stores such as 7-11 or Family Mart.







### How can I get to Taichung City (From Taoyuan Airport)?

Getting from Taiwan Taoyuan Airport (TPE) to Taichung City is easy. Here are several ways to get to Taichung City. Let's find out!



It takes about 1 hour 44 minutes to reach Taichung from Taiwan Taoyuan Airport (TPE) via Taoyuan HSR Station, Taoyuan (桃園), Taichung (台中), and Xinwuri(新烏日).



https://en.thsrc.com.tw/



You can also take a train from Taiwan Taoyuan Airport (TPE) to Taichung by taking bus number 5059 to Hotel Today and transferring to Taoyuan Train Station. Ticket prices are around \$13 and the journey takes approximately 3 h26 m.



https://yunbus.tw/lite/en/route.php?id=TAO5059

https://www.railway.gov.tw/tra-tip-web/tip?lang=EN US



If you want to take a bus, you can take U Bus, which operates from Taoyuan Airport to Taichung Train Station every 2 hours. Tickets cost \$7 - \$11 and the journey takes 2h 17m. Kuo-Kuang Bus also services this route twice daily.



https://www.ubus.com.tw/

http://www.kingbus.com.tw/en/ticketPriceResult.php?sid=187





## How can I get to AU (From Taichung Station)?

After you arrived at Taichung Station, you have plenty options to get to Asia University.



If you want to take a bus, you may choose:

- 1. Bus number 200 (towards 亞洲大學附屬醫院) from Taichung Station (Taiwan Blvrd.) to Asia University Ando Museum and walk around 150 m to Asia University, which approximately takes 50 mins.
- 2. Bus number 108 (towards 南開科技大學校區) from Taichung Station (Taiwan Blvrd.) to Luocuo (Xincuo Rd. Ln. 550 Entrance) and walk around 350 m to Asia University. This approximately takes 42 mins.
- 3. Or if you depart from Gancheng Station (Shuangshi Rd.), you may take 6871 towards 杉林溪 to Liugu (Zhongzheng Rd.) and walk around 800 m to Asia University. The journey takes around 53 mins.



While it might be a bit pricey, you may want to consider using UBER to get to AU directly.

