Measures to subsidize financially disadvantaged students to go abroad Yuan Ze University

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- 1. In accordance with the Higher Education Sprout Project approved by the Executive Yuan, our university aims to encourage students with economic disadvantages to go abroad for exchange to broaden their horizons, learn diverse cultures, and develop global mobility capabilities, in order to effectively enhance the function of higher education in promoting social mobility, thus these key points were established.
- 2. Subsidy recipients: Students with economic disadvantages as defined by the Higher Education Sprout Project, ranked from highest to lowest level of economic disadvantage as follows:
 - (i) Students from low-income households.
 - (ii) Students from lower-middle-income households.
 - (iii) Children and grandchildren of families in special circumstances.
 - (iv) Those eligible for assistance under the Assistance Plan for Underprivileged Students of universities.
 - (v) Students with disabilities and children of persons with disabilities (in order of severe, moderate, mild).
 - (vi) Those whose families have suffered sudden changes and have been approved by the school.
 - (vii) Indigenous students.
 - (viii) Pregnant students, students supporting children under 3 years of age.

The above recipients should be nationals of the Republic of China and current students of our university, excluding those who are on leave of absence or in part-time programs.

- 3. Application qualifications and scope:
 - (i) Approved by our university, recommended by internal departments or professors for studying abroad.
 - (ii) The scope of subsidy includes exchange programs, short-term further education, overseas research, presentation of papers, participation in seminars, workshops, academic conferences, academic competitions, or international volunteer work and other related items.
- 4. Funding subsidy principles:
 - (i) The funds for this item shall be supported by the external fundraising funds of the Higher Education Sprout Project of our university, and issued in the order of review and approval; in cases of batch applications by units, priority is given to those with higher degrees of economic disadvantage until funds are depleted.
 - (ii) Students are entitled to one subsidy per academic year while enrolled, which covers round-trip economy class airfare and pocket money.
 - (iii) The daily pocket money is NT\$400, calculated for up to 30 days before and after the actual overseas activities.

5. Application process:

- (i) Application: The Life Guidance Section announces the application information at the beginning of each semester. Students may submit the following documents 4 weeks before the departure period:
 - 1. Application form for overseas study scholarship.
 - 2. Overseas study plan.
 - 3. Documents issued by the school unit proving overseas study (such as recommendation letter, approval document, brochure, and agenda, etc.).
- (ii) Review: The Life Guidance Section conducts the first phase of review and then determines the amount of subsidy.
- (iii) Funding issuance: The applicant should submit the following materials within 14 days after returning from the activity and proceed with the issuance after the second phase of review without

errors:

- 1. Original round-trip air ticket and photocopy of passport.
- 2. Report on learning outcomes.
- (iv) If there are changes or cancellations to the approved subsidy, the applicant must seek prior approval from the Life Guidance Section; failure to follow regulations will result in disqualification for the next academic year's application.
- (v) If the subsidized student is found to have forged or untrue circumstances upon verification, their subsidy qualification will be revoked, the received subsidy will be reclaimed, and they will be dealt with according to the school's student discipline regulations and procedures.
- (vi) They should participate in activities related to the results sharing of the university's Higher Education Sprout Project.
- 6. Matters not covered by these key points shall be handled in accordance with the relevant regulations of our university.
- 7. These key points shall be implemented after approval by the Student Affairs Meeting, and the same applies to amendments.