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- 2023 National Sustainable Development Award from the Executive Yuan
- 2023 The only "Gold Award" in the Education Sector for Energy Conservation Benchmarking by the Ministry of Economic Affairs
- 2023 Recognized as a Distinguished School for Moral Education by the Ministry of Education
- 2023 Global Top 2% Scientists: Ranked First Among Non-Medical Private Universities in Taiwan
- 2024 THE World's Best Young University: Ranked No. 1 Among Private Universities in Taiwan
- 2024 EduRANK Ranking in Taiwan:
 - Game Design, Information Management, Telecommunications Engineering, Information Management, Human-Computer Interaction, Artificial Intelligence, Computer Vision, Management → No. 1 Among Private Universities
 - Automation and Control Engineering → No. 2 Among Private Universities



YZU Celebrates its 35th Anniversary to Enhance Cohesion

Celebrating the 35th anniversary, Yuan Ze University held a sports day along with a community art festival, school fair, and exhibition on March 23, 2024, widely inviting high school students to the campus. YZU also arranged a banquet to enhance cohesion among alumni and within the school.

The anniversary sports event began with approximately 500 faculty and students, led by President Ching-Jong Liao, participating in a campus run, marking the commencement of the celebration activities. President Ching-Jong Liao stated that Yuan Ze University ranks among the top private universities in teaching, research, and internationalization. It is one of the few private universities with no vacancies for recommended admissions through the Stars Project, demonstrating its popularity. Furthermore, the starting salaries of Yuan Ze University graduates are among the top 10% of all 136 universities in the country, surpassing many national universities. In response to the trend of globalization, the university has launched the "Thousand Students Abroad Program" to nurture students' international perspectives and interdisciplinary challenge capabilities. Facing competition in global higher education, a comprehensive plan for internationalization has been formulated. It is believed that Yuan Ze will enter the top 500 universities worldwide within five years, becoming Taiwan's most internationalized first-class university.

To consolidate alumni friendship, YZU hosted an alumni reunion party at noon in the gymnasium, symbolizing unity and fostering friendships among alumni, faculty, and students. Distinguished Alumni Award were publicly recognized, including Mr. Peter Chin from the College of Management, currently serving as a Chairman of Spirox Corporation, Mr. Hung-Tun Chien (Mark Ang) from the Department of Foreign Languages and Applied Linguistics, College of Humanities and Social Sciences, currently serving as a Taiwanese Director, Ms. Chun-Yen Liu from the Department of Information Management, College of Informatics, currently serving as a Chief Investment Officer of AIA Singapore, Mr. Chin-Sung Tsai from the Department of Chemical Engineering and Materials Science, College of Engineering, currently serving as a General Manager of Gold Circuit Electronics Ltd, and Mr. Richard Liu from Department of Electrical Engineering(Group B), College of Electrical and Communication Engineering, currently serving as a Chairman of WavePro Inc. In addition, the event also presented the Departmental Distinguished Alumni Award and the Ministry of Education's Donation for Educational Endeavors Award to highlight their achievements.



YZU Receives Gold Award in the Ministry of Economic Affairs Energy Conservation Benchmark

Yuan Ze University has been awarded the Gold Award in the 2023 Ministry of Economic Affairs Energy Conservation Benchmark competition in the education sector. This prestigious recognition follows the Outstanding Award in the 2022 Energy Conservation Benchmark. It reaffirms the university's commitment to outstanding achievements in energy conservation, energy management systems, and substantial efforts in promoting energy savings. The award ceremony took place on November 29, 2023, at the Far Eastern Plaza Hotel Taipei, with Minister of Economic Affairs Mei-Hua Wang presenting the award. President Ching-rong Liao represented Yuan Ze University at the ceremony.



Yuan Ze University

YZU Wins the National Sustainable Development Award

Yuan Ze University, driven by the core theme of "Nurturing Sustainable Seeds, Sustaining Development Momentum," has achieved excellence in advancing institutional development. Following the exclusive "Gold Award" in the 2023 Ministry of Economic Affairs Energy Conservation Benchmark in the education sector, the university has once again been recognized with the National Sustainable Development Award. The award ceremony took place on November 30, 2023, at the National Taiwan University Hospital International Convention Center, with Premier Chi-Mai Chen presenting the award. President Ching-Rong Liao represented Yuan Ze University at the ceremony.



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YZU Achieves Significant Progress in THE Young University Rankings

The Times Higher Education (THE) recently announced the "2024 Young University Rankings," evaluating 1,171 universities worldwide that are under 50 years old. The rankings are based on five key areas: "Teaching," "Research Environment," "Research Quality," "Industry Income," and "International Outlook." A total of 673 universities made the rankings, including 18 from Taiwan. This year, Yuan Ze University is ranked 310th globally and 7th nationally. Among private universities in Taiwan except for a medical school, Yuan Ze University holds the top position.

Due to the general emphasis on the quality of academic research at universities in our country, the adjustment in the ranking methodology for the research dimension by THE this year has significantly improved the global rankings of Taiwanese universities. For instance, YZU is ranked 301st globally this year, a leap of 134 places from last year. In recent years, the university has been continuously hiring excellent foreign faculty, recruiting outstanding international graduate students, and encouraging local students to study abroad, thereby accelerating the internationalization of teaching and research. YZU is also actively collaborating with tech giants, establishing corporate colleges, designing interdisciplinary and general education courses, and promoting cloud education. Additionally, leveraging the synergistic resources of the Far Eastern Group, YZU is dedicated to nurturing all students to become highly competitive talents who meet environmental needs.



YZU Ranks First Among Private Universities in 2023 Global Top 2% Scientists List

In the 2023 World's Top 2% Scientists List, YZU achieved remarkable recognition. In the "Lifetime Scientific Influence Rankings (1960-2022)," YZU had 18 professors listed, and in the "2023 Annual Scientific Influence Rankings," 14 professors were included. These distinguished professors come from the College of Engineering, College of Electrical and Communication Engineering, and the College of Informatics, with research areas spanning Engineering, Information & Communication Technologies, Physics & Astronomy, and Enabling & Strategic Technologies. YZU ranked 10th in Taiwan in terms of the proportion of scientists listed in the 2023 Annual Scientific Influence Rankings, securing the top spot among private universities (non-medical).

Amid the post-pandemic recovery, industries face labor shortages, leading to a decline in research personnel and a relative scarcity of students in private universities. Professors must juggle teaching, service, and research responsibilities, making such academic achievements even more commendable. With the dedicated efforts of its faculty and students, YZU aims to provide an even better research environment to elevate their academic performance to new heights.

Nurturing Intelligent Nursing Talent: Nursing Department Approved for Establishment

The Ministry of Education has approved Yuan Ze University's application to establish a nursing department. Starting in the 113th academic year, the university will recruit 45 students to cultivate their cloud technology and nursing expertise and connect them to the future of intelligent nursing care. It is expected to create a better nursing workplace environment through the cultivation of nursing talents and the investment in technology-assisted healthcare, offer solutions to the current shortage of nursing professionals, and contribute to society.

In response to the aging society and the global reflections brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic, transforming and enhancing nursing education has become crucial. President Ching-Jong Liao of YZU highlighted that the establishment of the nursing department marks a significant milestone for the university. This development paved the way for the creation of the sixth college—the College of Medicine and Nursing, which aims to provide better resources for nurturing medical and nursing professionals. YZU has already signed cooperation agreements with prominent medical institutions such as Far Eastern Memorial Hospital Medical Center and Landseed International Hospital, future collaborations with TEN-CHEN Hospital are also planned. These partnerships will foster nursing professionals equipped with cloud technology and digital solution capabilities, with the expectation that graduates will become leaders in the field of intelligent nursing care.



YZU First Post-Baccalaureate Program on Sustainable Development Helps Solve the Challenges of Carbon Emissions

Yuan Ze University's first Post-Baccalaureate Program on Net Zero Emissions and Sustainable Development will open for enrollment from October 16 to November 16. This program is for enrolling 50 students, with one year of study and a second year of internship, assisting with obtaining relevant ISO certifications such as ISO 14064-1, ISO 14064-2, ISO 14067. Upon graduation, the students will earn a degree from Yuan Ze University's College of Engineering.

As the global climate change problem becomes more serious, the issue of carbon emissions in industrial areas has aroused widespread concern. YZU has taken the initiative to propose a comprehensive plan for the sustainable development of industrial fields, using the Jhongli Industrial Park as an example. The project combines academic expertise to help solve the challenges of carbon emissions from industry.



A New International Direction: YZU's Thousand-Student International Dream Project

Aspiring to become a highly internationalized university under globalization, YZU is dedicated to cultivating students with international perspectives and the ability to deal with interdisciplinary challenges. It is expected to select at least one thousand local students for scholarships. YZU encourages students to participate in international exchange programs to expand their global perspectives and integrate into the international community.

YZU is actively promoting English-Medium Instruction (EMI). In 2021, the College of Management was selected as a key college under the Ministry of Education's first phase of the "Bilingual Education for College Students (EMI)" program. In 2023, the Colleges of Management, Informatics, and Electrical and Communication Engineering were all recognized as key colleges in the second phase of the EMI program, making Yuan Ze the top private university in Taiwan to achieve this distinction. To further internationalization efforts and promote an EMI learning environment, YZU has initiated the "Thousand-Student International Dream Project". This initiative aims to send at least one thousand students abroad, offering scholarships to encourage active participation in international exchange programs. The goal is to enhance students' language proficiency, professional skills, communication abilities, and adaptability to cross-cultural environments. This initiative aims to lay a solid foundation for their future academic pursuits or professional careers, positioning YZU as the most internationalized top-tier university in Taiwan.



YZU Joins Hands with MIT and Harvard University to Promote Internationalization

With a vision of becoming Taiwan's most international university, Yuan Ze University actively promotes internationalization, establishing cooperative relationships with world-renowned institutions. This year, YZU collaborated with MIT to organize the MIT-YZU Technology, Culture, and English Experience Camp. Additionally, in cooperation with the Cappella Choir of Harvard University, YZU hosts the Harvard-YZU A Cappella Concert. These initiatives aim to expand students' international perspectives and inspire their interest in information, technology, language, and culture.



YZU and FEMH Collaborate on Innovative Development of an AI-assisted Remote Wound Care Platform

Given the aging population in Taiwan, more and more patients with chronic wounds such as bedsores or diabetic foot ulcers have difficulty seeking medical treatment due to mobility problems. Professor Chien-Lung Chan's team from the Department of Information Management at YZU and Dr. Dun-Hao Chang from the Plastic & Aesthetic Surgery division of Far Eastern Memorial Hospital (FEMH) have worked jointly on developing an artificial intelligence-assisted remote wound care platform. It is an essential medical innovation designed for home use by patients or their caregivers, allowing remote patient monitoring and improving the challenges in clinical care.



Admission

Education with Passion, Your Prime Choice: YZU, Where Hearts Excel!

Greetings from Global Affairs Office! As we continue to stride towards excellence in education, we extend a warm invitation to you and your networks to join us in fostering a diverse and inclusive community of global learners.

Admission Information:

Application Period:

	Application Session	Start	End	Entry	Apply
For International Students	Fall Semester	Dec 15	Jun 15	Sep	
	Spring Semester	Sep 1	Oct 15	Feb	
For Overseas Chinese Students	Fall Semester 1 st Round	Oct 15	Nov 20	Sep	
	Fall Semester 2 nd Round	Apr 15	Jun 15	Sep	
International Foundation Program	Fall Semester	Mar 1	May 15	Sep	
	Spring Semester	Aug 15	Oct 15	Feb	

Scholarships:

Have the opportunity to receive full scholarship for 2-4 years of university!

	Rank in Class	Scholarship	Stipend
Bachelor	Top 15%	100%	
	Top 30%	50%	
	Top 50%	20%	
Master	Top 40%	100%	For Outstanding Students Max NT\$120,000 per year
	Top 60%	50%	
	Top 70%	20%	
Ph.D.	up to 100% Tuition reimbursement		For Outstanding Students Max NT\$180,000 per year

Join us in embracing diversity and shaping the leaders of tomorrow. To learn more about the programs and the application process, please visit our website at <https://gao.yzu.edu.tw/> or reach out to us at iadept@saturn.yzu.edu.tw.

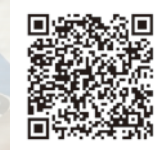
Incoming Student Internships

Taiwan Experience Education Program (TEEP)@YZU

Design Thinking, Smart Living, IoT, Gerontechnology, Big Data, Digital Fabrication, Interaction Design

The YZU Innovation Design Engineer Internship is based on design thinking methodology to solve real-world problems in Smart Living, IoT, Gerontechnology, Big Data, Digital Fabrication, or Interaction Design. In 2-6 months, Interns will be guided by interdisciplinary professors to experience product research, development, testing, or production. In addition to exciting design thinking, interns will also get a chance to learn Mandarin, along with a Taiwan culture tour, business visits, and/or local high school services. There is no tuition. Living costs and dormitories may be subsidized depending on labs. Welcome international students, college seniors or above, who have passion in these fields and are good in English to apply.

For more Information: <https://gao.yzu.edu.tw/index.php/en/intern>



TEEP

NSTC International Internship Pilot Program (IIPP)

For international students to experience Taiwan's strengths in the field of science and technology, National Science and Technology Council (NSTC) provides the international internship pilot program (IIPP) to attract global talents. Furthermore, we expect some of these interns will engage in advanced studies or start a career in Taiwan. Thus, IIPP could enrich the human resource of key scientific research fields in Taiwan.

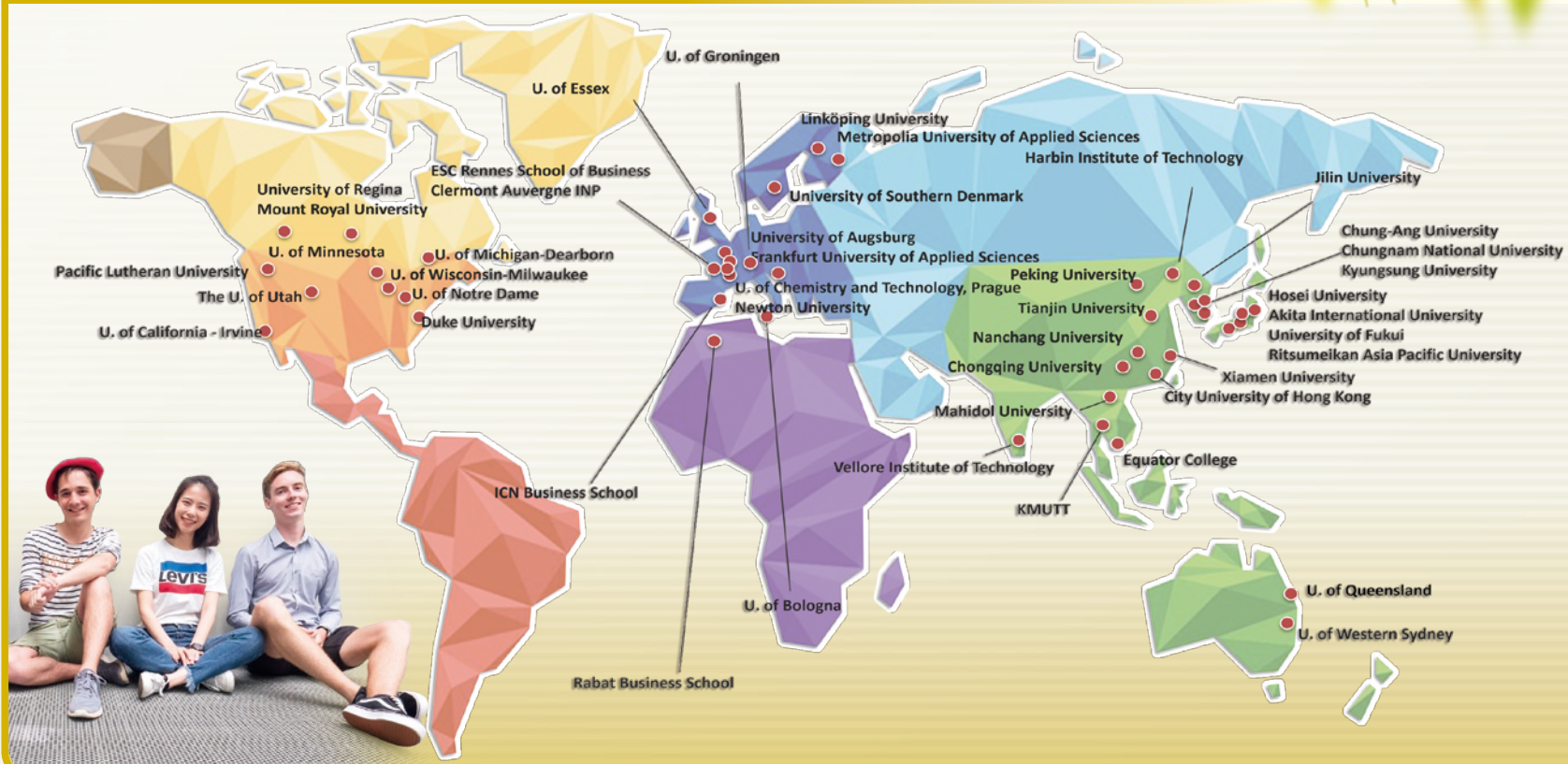
For more Information: <https://iipp.tw/institute/10>



IIPP

International Collaboration

Embracing Global Diversity, Learning as One:
10% Strong, International Students from 60 Countries, Across 300+ Partner Universities!



Give to YZU | Fundraising Programs |



Yuan Ze Building 1 Renovation Project

The first building of YZU was built in 1989. After 35 years, the classrooms have become outdated, stair platforms are worn and damaged, and the hardware equipment urgently needs replacement. We hope alumni will sponsor this project, pooling our efforts to repair Building 1!



Netting Educational Support Program

In collaboration with the Ministry of Education, we aim to replace work-study with learning, providing financial assistance to YZU students to alleviate their economic burdens. With comprehensive support mechanisms, we strive to empower students to shine in their future endeavors!



Financial Aid for Low-income Families

YZU actively supports economically disadvantaged students, ensuring their right to education. We offer diverse tutoring activities and encourage participation in community service learning. Students who engage in service learning can receive living stipends, fostering independence and enhancing their employability.



University Sports Teams and Clubs

YZU encourages students to participate in various sports and club activities, fostering teamwork, leadership skills, and personal interests. Please support and encourage our sports teams and student clubs, becoming a strong pillar for future generations! (If you have a specific team or club in mind, please mention its name.)

Other Fundraising Programs |



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Donation Method |

International Wire Transfer	Bank Name: Far Eastern International Bank, Taoyuan Branch Beneficiary: Yuan Ze University Account No.: 004 001 00000 266 Swift Code: FEINTWTP Bank Address: No.135, Yuandong Rd., Zhongli Dist., Taoyuan City 320315, Taiwan (R.O.C.) Please scan the "Online Donation" QR CODE and fill out the donation information, then send the transaction receipt to the Public Affairs and Alumni Service Center via registered mail or email. (proffice@saturn.yzu.edu.tw)	Credit Card	Please scan the "Online Donation" QR CODE and fill out the donation information. You will be redirected to the payment page of CTBC Bank, and a handling fee of 1.85% will be applied. The recipient will be afforded the handling fee.
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Alumni Information Update

To support environmental protection and our paperless initiative, please scan the QR code to update your information online. YZU will use this information for future updates and benefits. Additionally, to enhance YZU's global visibility, we encourage you to create your background page on Wikipedia and LinkedIn, linking it to YZU. Thank you for your continued support!



Alumni Information Update

Alumni Newsletter Submissions are Open

We are eagerly accepting submissions for the Alumni Newsletter. Let's share your stories and reflections, whether they are recollections of YZU, inspirational thoughts, heartwarming anecdotes, work experiences, or insights. Contributions in both Chinese and English are welcome, and there are no strict formatting requirements.

Please send your submissions via email to: proffice@saturn.yzu.edu.tw.

Welcome to Yuan Ze University Community!

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