

Scholarship and Visa Information

for URI IEP Students 2025–2026

| | Fall 2025 | Spring 2026 |
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| Purpose of Stay | Studying Chinese | Full-time internship |
| Types of Visas | Visa for Studying Chinese | Visa for Internship Purpose |
| Tuition payable to Tunghai CLC | Yes (\$NT 37,000/ semester) | No |
| Huayu BEST Scholarship | Yes (\$NT 25,000/ month) | No |
| Internship stipend or salary | No | Possible |

Notes:

According to Taiwan's Ministry of Labor, holders of a visa for studying Chinese must hold it for at least 180 days before applying for a work permit, which allows a maximum of 20 hours of work or internship per week. [Therefore, if you plan to study Chinese in Fall 2025 and intern in Spring 2026, you will need to apply for two separate visas.](#) Only with the internship visa can employers legally hire you.

In July 2025, you should apply for the visa for studying Chinese at a representative office in the U.S. or another country. If you successfully find an internship in Fall 2025, the company will provide you with the necessary materials to apply for the visa for internship purposes. At the end of the Fall 2025 semester, you will need to leave Taiwan to apply for the visa for internship purposes at a Taiwan representative office in another country. After your application is processed, you can re-enter Taiwan.

Since the review time for the visa for internship purposes is usually longer, typically 3-4 weeks, [we recommend that students return to the U.S. during the winter break to handle the visa application.](#) Once you have the visa, you can return to Taiwan as required by your employer for the Spring 2026 semester.

The Huayu BEST Program is designed to provide students with the opportunity to learn Chinese in Taiwan. Therefore, if you plan to intern next semester, [please evaluate the additional travel costs and time required for the visa application.](#) In the past, Tunghai University has successfully helped students find internships and assisted with visa applications, allowing students to complete their internships successfully. However, each student's situation is unique. Please understand that the Tunghai Huayu BEST Program cannot guarantee that students will find internship opportunities. If you are certain about coming to Taiwan through Huayu BEST to study Chinese and intern, [please first discuss alternative options with IEP in case you cannot find an internship in Taiwan.](#)