

# Regulations for National Tsing Hua University Talent Development Fund Academic Research Award

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## Article 1

National Tsing Hua University (hereinafter referred to as "the University") establishes the "Regulations for National Tsing Hua University Talent Development Fund Academic Research Award" (hereinafter referred to as "these Regulations") to encourage full-time faculty and research fellow members to conduct research with significant academic impact domestically and internationally, enhancing the University's academic standing.

## Article 2

Academic research achievements eligible for these awards must be affiliated with the University and approved after review, including the following categories:

1. Major research breakthroughs, significant academic journal papers, or international conference papers.
2. International academic indicators.
3. Academic books, book chapters, or others.
4. Hosting or participating in significant domestic or international academic conferences, research forums, invited speeches, or exhibitions and competitions.
5. Holding positions in important international academic organizations or receiving awards.
6. University-defined academic indicators.
7. College-defined academic indicators.
8. Other significant contributions beneficial to the University's academic reputation, research, or development.

## Article 3

The "major research breakthroughs" mentioned in Article 2, Section 1, refer to those reported by significant international media, which contribute substantially to the University's international academic reputation and are reviewed by the relevant college. "Important academic journals or international conference papers" refer to those recognized as such by the relevant college. The classification of academic journals is determined by the college.

## Article 4

The "international academic indicators" mentioned in Article 2, Section 2, refer to the comprehensive evaluation of a faculty and research fellow member's individual and research impact within a specific period. Evaluation indicators include Citations, H-index, FWCI, CNCI, etc., and the standards for each indicator must be reviewed by the relevant college.

#### Article 5

The "academic books, book chapters" mentioned in Article 2, Section 3, refer to works recognized by the relevant college, excluding conference proceedings, dissertations, or research reports. These may include audio-visual or art publications. Multi-author books or book chapters can only be submitted by one author. Each work can only be awarded once.

#### Article 6

The "significant domestic or international academic conferences, research forums, invited speeches, or exhibitions and competitions" mentioned in Article 2, Section 4, refer to academic activities that contribute significantly to the University's academic reputation and are approved by the relevant college. Invited speeches refer to those recognized by the relevant college, including invited speeches, keynote speeches, and plenary lectures.

#### Article 7

The "positions in important international academic organizations or receiving awards" mentioned in Article 2, Section 5, refer to University faculty and research fellow members serving as editors-in-chief or editorial board members of top international journals, or holding memberships, rotating chair positions, or board positions in major international academic organizations, or receiving important international academic awards. These must be reviewed by the relevant college.

#### Article 8

The "university-defined academic indicators" mentioned in Article 2, Section 6, refer to research indicators established by the Office of Research and Development (ORD) based on the University's overall research and development goals, such as Sustainability and Patents (TW/US Patents).

#### Article 9

The "college-defined academic indicators" mentioned in Article 2, Section 7, refer to research indicators established by each college based on its unique research and development goals.

#### Article 10

The "other significant contributions to the University's academic reputation, research, or development" mentioned in Article 2, Section 8, refer to other contributions made by University faculty and research fellow members that significantly enhance the University's academic reputation, research, or development, as recognized by the ORD.

#### Article 11

#### Award Implementation:

1. Each college shall establish its own award criteria and corresponding point system, based on the academic aspects outlined in Article 2, Sections 1-7, reflecting its development characteristics and planning. Faculty and research fellow members must apply according to their college's award criteria by the deadline announced by the ORD. The initial review is conducted by each college based on its established award criteria, followed by a secondary review by the University-level Review Committee, which ranks applicants based on their point scores.
2. The award criteria under Article 2, Section 8, are determined annually based on the University's development goals. Faculty and research fellow members must apply according to the announced criteria by the deadline, and the initial review is conducted by the ORD, followed by a secondary review by the University-level Review Committee.
3. Applicants must be University faculty and research fellow members; faculty and research fellow members with joint appointments within the University should apply through their primary department. Faculty members jointly appointed by the College of Semiconductor Research and other colleges of the University may elect to submit their applications through either their primary college or the College of Semiconductor Research.
4. The evaluation period for academic research achievements is the calendar year of the award (January 1 to December 31). Publication dates of papers are based on the official publication date. Papers in print or online may only be submitted once and must include volume and issue numbers. International academic indicators evaluate individual faculty and research fellow members over multiple years, and the H-index may include academic research achievements not affiliated with the University.
5. Awards are announced by the ORD each academic year. Colleges process applications according to the ORD's schedule.
6. The award criteria established by each college must be submitted for approval at an ORD meeting.

#### Article 12

The University-level Review Committee consists of the Vice President for Research as an ex officio member and chair, along with 5 to 12 impartial experts from within and outside the University who excel in relevant academic fields.

#### Article 13

Awards will be allocated to each college based on the financial status of the non-endowment portion of the National Tsing Hua University Talent Development Fund, as approved by the President upon the recommendation of the fund management unit.

#### Article 14

Faculty members who meet the criteria under Article 2, Sections 1-7, and are approved by the University-level Review Committee will be awarded the following academic honors:

1. Year ○○ NTHU Distinguished Talent Chair for Excellence (Award of over 500,000 NTD), with a maximum of 10 recipients per year, excluding those who already hold the titles of NTHU Chair or NTHU Distinguished Chair, selected from the “Year ○○ NTHU Distinguished Talent Chairs”.

2. Year ○○ NTHU Distinguished Talent Chair (Award of 500,000 NTD or more).
3. Year ○○ NTHU Distinguished Young Scholar (Award of 500,000 NTD or more).
4. Year ○○ NTHU - [Donor Named] Distinguished Talent Chair (Award of 500,000 NTD or more).
5. Year ○○ NTHU - [Donor Named] Distinguished Young Scholar (Award of 500,000 NTD or more).
6. Year ○○ NTHU Talent Development Fund - Distinguished Research Award (Award between 300,000 NTD and 500,000 NTD).
7. Year ○○ NTHU Talent Development Fund - Research Award (Award between 200,000 NTD and 300,000 NTD).

#### Article 15

These regulations shall be implemented upon approval by the University Cabinet Meeting and the University Endowment Fund Management Committee.