

Resident Visas for Studying Mandarin Chinese

Requirements	Description
Application form	Go to website: https://visawebapp.boca.gov.tw . Fill out the application form online and print it out. Make sure the application form shows a bar code on it. Sign the application form.
Two color passport-size (45 mm in height and 35 mm in width) photos	Paste on the application form two color passport-size photos with a white background taken within 6 months.
Passport and one photocopy of the passport	The passport must be valid for at least 6 months and there are blank pages left in it. One photocopy of the passport bio-page including the holders picture is required.
Original and one photocopy of health certificate	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The health certificate should be issued within 3 months by one of the local hospitals designated by the Centers for Disease Control of Ministry of Health and Welfare of the R.O.C. (Taiwan) or a foreign hospital. Health certificates issued by foreign hospitals must be authenticated by an R.O.C. (Taiwan) overseas mission. 2. Visit the website of the Centers for Disease Control at https://www.cdc.gov.tw/En for health checkup items and the list of designated local hospitals.
Original and one photocopy of certificate of enrollment with record of registration	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The certificate of enrollment and record of registration should be issued by one of the Mandarin Chinese Learning Centers affiliated to universities accredited by the Ministry of Education. 2. Check the website of the Ministry of Education for the list of the Mandarin Chinese Learning Centers. 3. The certificate of enrollment must indicate completion of 4 months of study and registration for continued study for at least another 3 months. 4. Weekly hours of attendance, Monday to Friday, must not be fewer than 15 hours.
Original and one photocopy of	Hours of absence including those taken on a leave must not

record of attendance	exceed a quarter of total class hours.
Original and one photocopy of transcripts	The school transcripts from the period of study.
Study plan	Study motives should be included.
Original and one photocopy of proof of financial support	<p>Bank statements or records of remittance provided by the applicant or his/her relatives within the third degree of kinship (grandparents, parents and siblings).</p> <p>*Bank statements or records of remittance supported by the applicant's relatives must be submitted along with the household registration/ birth certificate/ family book which may prove the relationship of relative.</p> <p>*The amount showing on the bank statements or records of remittance, when the visa application is submitted, must be sufficient enough for at least a consecutive 3 months living needs.</p> <p>*The scholarship certificate must indicate the duration and the exact amount of the scholarship.</p>
Other supporting documents	To be decided on a case-by-case basis. Applicants who apply for a Resident Visa after having arrived in the R.O.C. (Taiwan) are required to present also one photocopy of the Visitor Visa and the immigration entry stamp.

Application Procedure

Applicants who have entered the R.O.C. (Taiwan) on a Visitor Visa for studying Mandarin Chinese may apply for the residence for the same purpose at local service centers of the National Immigration Agency directly after completed 4 months of study and continued enrolled for at least another 3 months.

Notice

1. Visa issuance is an act of sovereignty. According to the "Statute Governing Issuance of R.O.C. Visas in Foreign Passport" and "Enforcement Rules for the Issuance of R.O.C. Visas to Foreign-Passport Holders," the R.O.C. reserves the right not to issue a visa and is under no obligation to disclose the reason. Application fee for no-issuance cases is non-refundable.
2. Processing of Resident Visa application inside the R.O.C. (Taiwan) takes 8 work days. Resident Visa applicants are advised to apply to the Bureau of Consular Affairs 8 work days before the duration of stay expires. Application will be turned down and fee not refunded in the event that required documents are not submitted in full within 7 days after

the applicant is informed by the Bureau of Consular Affairs. In the event that the applicant's duration of stay expires while the Resident Visa is under processing and eventually rejected, the applicant is to assume the sole responsibility of overstay and the penalty therefore imposed.

3. Original documents are to be returned after review. Documents produced outside of the R.O.C. (Taiwan) must be authenticated by an R.O.C. (Taiwan) overseas mission. Documents that are in languages other than Chinese or English must be accompanied by a Chinese- or English-translation version. The original-language documents and the accompanying Chinese- or English-translation version must be authenticated by an R.O.C. (Taiwan) overseas mission.
4. For visa application fees, please refer to “[Standard Fees for R.O.C. \(Taiwan\) Visas in Foreign Passports](#)”(pdf file).
5. Those who enter the R.O.C. (Taiwan) without a visa or with a landing visa and those who enter the R.O.C. (Taiwan) on a Visitor Visa not for the purpose of studying Chinese may not apply for a Resident Visa or an extension of duration of stay on the ground of studying Chinese.
6. Those who enter the R.O.C. (Taiwan) on a Resident Visa or get a Resident Visa after having arrived in the R.O.C. (Taiwan) must apply for an Alien Resident Certificate and Re-entry Permit at [local service centers of National Immigration Agency](#). The former must apply within 30 days from the next day of arrival, and the latter must apply within 30 days from the Resident Visa issuance date. Duration of stay is noted on the Alien Resident Certificate.
7. Obtaining a school admission permit does not guarantee the issuance of a Resident Visa. Obtaining a Resident Visa does not entitle the visa holder to enter the R.O.C.(Taiwan).

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<https://www.boca.gov.tw/mp-1.html>