

Taiwan's Academia Sinica, A Vibrant Hub with Over 100 Fully Funded Ph.D. Scholarships



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TAIPEI, TAIWAN - **Media OutReach** - 28 December 2020 - **Academia Sinica**, the preeminent research institution in Taiwan, announces the application for 2021 fall semester of its Taiwan International Graduate Program (**TIGP@AS**). The application is **open** until February 1st, 2021.

TIGP@AS provides 12 interdisciplinary and funded programs ranging from physical sciences, life sciences to social sciences and the humanities. The all-English Ph.D. Program cooperates closely with Taiwan's leading universities and provides superior scientific training courses. It is aimed to attract the top talents from around the world with ambition to grow personally and professionally.

TIGP@AS offers competitive financial support for its students. All admitted students enjoy a monthly stipend of NTD 34,000 (about USD 1,100) for the first year. For those who perform well, this stipend will be extended to the 2nd and the 3rd year. In subsequent years, financial support will come from the thesis advisor. Besides, full-time TIGP Ph.D. candidates or students who have passed their qualifying exams with distinction are eligible to apply for the TIGP@AS Research Performance Fellowship. Awardees can receive an additional NTD 6,000 per month for one year.

Through Academia Sinica's substantial connections with first-rate institutions worldwide, TIGP@AS can make arrangements for students to visit and conduct research in renowned laboratories around the globe. The yearly Travel Grant Award of TIGP@AS encourages students to join important global symposiums. Other international exposure opportunities include attending seminars abroad, doing short-term research projects abroad, and participating in international meetings such as Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting. Academia Sinica also invites distinguished scholars, entrepreneurial masters, and Nobel Laureates to visit the campus and share their unique stories on achieving success in their respective fields.

To facilitate first-year students' quicker adaptation to the local environments, TIGP@AS provides free-of-charge Mandarin language courses at the entry-level and a convenient and affordable fully-furnished dormitory. All the students of TIGP@AS will find their

experiences at Academia Sinica and in Taiwan not only personally rewarding but also culturally enriching.

Application is free of charge through **TIGP@AS online system**. For any questions, please visit the **TIGP@AS official website** or contact Ms. Huan-Yi Shen with the TIGP@AS Admission Office at tigp@gate.sinica.edu.tw.

About TIGP@AS

Started in 2002, **TIGP@AS** is a joint-effort between Academia Sinica and top research-leading universities in Taiwan. It integrates first-class facilities with outstanding faculty to offer interdisciplinary Ph.D. programs across a wide range of disciplines. All courses are conducted in English. After completing the graduation requirements, students receive certificates from Academia Sinica and degrees from the partner universities. TIGP@AS also periodically accepts applications to funded **International Internship Program**, which provides an opportunity for young talents to experience Academia Sinica's research environment.

The **12 interdisciplinary programs** within TIGP@AS are in cooperation with 11 top domestic universities as follows. You can click on the links to find out more details.

1. Chemical Biology and Molecular Biophysics
2. Molecular Science and Technology
3. Molecular and Biological Agricultural Sciences
4. Bioinformatics
5. Molecular and Cell Biology
6. Nano Science and Technology
7. Molecular Medicine
8. Earth System Science
9. Biodiversity
10. Interdisciplinary Neuroscience
11. Sustainable Chemical Science and Technology
12. Social Networks and Human-Centered Computing

TIGP@AS is a genuinely international community with over 577 students from 44 countries. To date, more than 518 students have completed TIGP@AS's rigorous requirements and obtained Ph.D. degrees. In the past years, TIGP@AS students have published more than 1,717 research papers in top scholarly journals; many alumni have taken up teaching or research positions in world-renowned universities and academic institutions.

TIGP@AS graduates also proved themselves qualified to contribute their expertise to the industry. Many of them are now working in internationally well-known companies such as Samsung and TSMC. Academia Sinica has recently launched its **National Biotechnology Research Park** as a biotech industry corridor linking Taiwan to the global market. Right next to the campus of TIGP@AS, the Park should shortly become a bridging platform of multidisciplinary research collaboration and occupational opportunities for the students.

About Academia Sinica

Founded in 1928 and funded by the Taiwan government, **Academia Sinica** has been a historically global leading research institution. It is Taiwan's national academy of sciences and serves as policy think-tank. Currently, Academia Sinica has more than 1,000 research fellows and specialists working in 32 research institutes on the campus. To expand its research link to top institutes globally, Academia Sinica has also established over 50 overseas and domestic research sites. Several recent research highlights include cellular and molecular imaging, novel mass spectrometry technologies, cancer vaccines and new drugs, structural biology, chemical dynamics, Alzheimer's disease research, **ALMA-Taiwan Project**, and Taiwan earthquakes research.

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