

Guidelines for fellowship application for Doctor of Medicine and Doctor of Dental Surgery pursuing PhD degrees in Academia Sinica

1. The guidelines are made by Academia Sinica (AS) to encourage Doctors of Medicine and Doctors of Dental Surgery pursuing PhD degrees.
2. Eligibility: The fellowship is open to doctoral students who are under fourth grade (including fourth grade) at any degree program in AS (including Taiwan International Graduate Program students) who have an M.D or D.D.S degree.
3. Application Procedures:
 - a. Eligible doctoral students, who do not currently receive any fellowships, are qualified to apply for this fellowship. This fellowship support is for 24 months. The chairman of the Program and the advisor of the recipient should submit a progress report to AS two months before the end of the first year of the fellowship. After the report passes the evaluation by the fellowship committee, he/she may obtain the fellowship for the second year. The fellowship is granted for a maximum of two years.
4. The number of the recipients in each year may vary depending on need and the budget approved by the President of AS. The benefits of the fellowship are as follows:
 - a. Type I: A PhD student who has Doctor of Medicine or Doctor of Dental Surgery degree will receive NTD 60,000 per month. (The stipend is decided in accordance with the salary of a Resident.)
 - b. Type II: A PhD student who is a medical doctor or dentist will receive NTD 80,000 per month. (The stipend is decided in accordance with the salary of a Visiting Staff.)
5. AS will appoint 3-6 outstanding scholars to form the fellowship committee to evaluate the qualifications of candidates and determine the stipends of the fellowship. All appointment letters will be issued by the President of AS, and one member will be assigned as a convener.
6. The recipients are forbidden to apply for any other fellowships.
7. The recipients have to fulfill the duties and responsibilities listed below; otherwise, the recipients are obligated to return the amount of the fellowship in full.
 - a. During the time period of the fellowship, recipients obtaining the type I fellowship must do biomedical bench work full time in a laboratory at AS or at a university medical center.
 - b. Recipients obtaining the type II fellowship must do biomedical bench work for 80%

of his/her clinical working hours in a laboratory at AS or at a university medical center. (He/She can only work two half-days in a hospital per week) After the PhD program is completed, the recipient should return to work at his/her original institute for at least the same time period as the time period of the fellowship he/she obtained. If the recipient will work at another institution, he/she is obligated to get the permission from the original institution.

8. Recipients must sign a contract which is prepared by AS.
9. The guidelines are approved in the General Assembly of AS and are applied with the permission of the President of AS.