

NPUST Intensive Training Course for African Elites 2024
Offered by National Pingtung University of Science and Technology (NPUST)
Sponsored by Ministry of Education (MOE) and Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA)

1. Project host: National Pingtung University of Science and Technology (NPUST).
2. Project sponsors: Ministry of Education, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
3. Description: The purpose of this project is to provide African farmers and agricultural professionals with training in agricultural farming techniques and practical operations while exposing them to the agricultural operations in Taiwan. The course content will be based on the needs of the African practitioners of agriculture and animal husbandry and will include farming and breeding methods which are eco-friendly to help maintain sustainable environments.
4. Eligibility & requirements:
 - 1) 18 years or older and a citizen of an African country;
 - 2) Recommended by a Taiwan Representative's Office in Africa.
5. Language of instruction: The courses will be instructed in the English language. Students must have basic English listening and writing skills.
6. Recruitment quotas: 20 - 35 students per course offering.
7. Training period: July 8th, 2024 to July 26th, 2024 (3 weeks total).
8. Training location and accommodation: Main campus at National Pingtung University of Science and Technology (No. 1 Shuefu Road, Neipu, Pingtung).
9. Recruitment application process:
 - 1) Preparation for recruitment: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Taiwan Embassy or Representatives Office (hereafter Representatives Office), the Ministry of Education, and National Pingtung University of Science and Technology will hold a recruitment meeting in April 2024.
 - 2) Applicants should submit the following documents to the Representative Office prior to the cutoff date:
 - Application form (1 copy as **Attachment 1**)
 - Passport or other documents proving nationality.
 - Proof of English proficiency. (1. Not required if English is the official language of the country; 2. If, for special reasons, the applicant is unable to provide proof of English proficiency, the Representatives Office may use an interview or other means to test the applicant's level of English).
10. Evaluation procedure: Before April 26, 2024, the Representatives Office will recommend candidates to National Pingtung University of Science and Technology and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Education. In the end of April 2024, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Representatives Office, the Ministry of Education, and National Pingtung University of Science and Technology will convene an evaluation meeting to reach a consensus on an admission list.

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11. Fees:

- 1) Airfare: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs will subsidize the airfare for students of the training course. A total of 2,000,000 NTD will be available to subsidize the economy class return airfare of 35 students. The actual costs of the airfare must be reported. The plane tickets will initially be purchased by the student and the subsidization money will be provided when the student has completed the course and before his/her return departure. (MOFA will issue the subsidization money).
- 2) Course Fees: The course fees (not including airfare) will be subsidized by the Ministry of Education.

12. Course overview: Please refer to the attached class schedule (**Attachment 2**). National Pingtung University of Science and Technology reserves the right to make adjustments and changes to the syllabus and instructors. The adjustments and changes will be posted on the official website of the Office of International Affairs, NPUST.

13. Training course rules:

- 1) If the student is absent from more than 1/10 of the classes, the student will not be provided with a certificate of completion.
- 2) If the student is sick and needs to request a leave, the student should contact the Course Assistant for help.
- 3) Students who miss class or are absent without reasons for more than 3 days will be required to pay back all course-related subsidies and will not receive reimbursement for their airfare.

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✕ The organizer reserves the right to adjust and decide the final details of any unaddressed matters.