

Lok-an Taiwanese Grants for Vietnamese Students and Scholars Year 2003

樂安 台灣研究 獎助金

LOK-AN Taiwanese Grants were established in 2002 by Taiwan's Lok-an Hospital and the Association of Taiwanese Romanization. The purpose of the grant is to promote the comparative studies of Vietnam and Taiwan and thus further enhance the cultural and academic exchange between the two countries.

The grant founders will accomplish the purpose in two ways. First, to assist Vietnamese students in completing their theses (BA or MA) or dissertations (Ph.D) on Taiwan-Vietnam related issues. Second, to provide financial support for Vietnamese scholars to publish their research works with regard to Taiwanese studies. The maximum number of grantees and amount of grants provided for year 2003 for Vietnamese students and scholars are as follows:

Four undergraduate students: 2,500,000VND /grantee

Two master students: 5,000,000VND /grantee

Two Ph.D students: 10,000,000VND /grantee

Two scholarly publications: between 10,000,000 and 15,000,000 /publication

GRANT GUIDELINES All applicants seeking support from the Lok-an Taiwanese Grants must meet the following requirements. The requirements are divided into two sections according to the categories of grants. Please read the right section as you desire to apply for.

For the student thesis/dissertation support

- 1) Applicants' proposal of thesis/dissertation must be related to Taiwanese studies or comparative studies of Taiwan and Vietnam in any areas, such as language, literature, history, culture, society and economics. Priority will be given to humanity subjects. Please note that Chinese studies are NOT considered as Taiwanese studies since we have very limited funding, and thus cannot support so many research projects.

- 2) All applicants must have citizenship of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and currently are enrolled in the universities of Vietnam or Taiwan.
- 3) Applicants' proposal of thesis/dissertation must have been officially approved by their committee or department. (PS. Applicants may submit their application before their thesis/dissertation is approved; however, applicants with approved proposal will be given greater consideration. If conditionally accepted, the grantee has to supply the proof of approval in one year in order to receive the grant. The grant will be held until s/he provides the proof.)
- 4) All grantees are required to submit to the Lok-an Hospital, at the end of the period covered by the grant, a copy of their theses or dissertations, which must acknowledge support by the Lok-an Taiwanese Grants.
- 5) Once application is accepted without any conditions, the grantee will be immediately granted 50% of the grant. The remaining amount will be held until the grantee's thesis/dissertation is completed and approved by his/her committee.

For the scholarly publication support

- 1) Applicants' proposed publication must be related to Taiwanese studies or comparative studies of Taiwan and Vietnam in any areas, such as language, literature, history, culture, society and economics. Priority will be given to humanity subjects. Please note that Chinese studies are NOT considered as Taiwanese studies since we have very limited funding, and thus cannot support so many research projects.
- 2) Applicants' proposed publication must be original works of the applicants and have not been published anywhere before.
- 3) The amount of grants will be given on the basis of publication rather than the number of authors, in the case if the publication is co-authored.
- 4) Applicants may not have citizenship of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, but their proposed publication must be written in Vietnamese or Taiwanese (DO NOT include Chinese or English), and must be published in Vietnam or Taiwan once they accept the grant.
- 5) Applicants may submit their application before they complete their writing for publication. However, application with a completed draft in hand is highly recommended and will be given greater consideration. If conditionally accepted, the grantee has to supply the draft in one year in order to receive the grant. The grant will be held until s/he completes the draft.
- 6) Once application is accepted without any conditions, the grantee will be immediately granted 50% of the grant. The remaining amount will be held until the grantee's publication is officially published in Vietnam or Taiwan.

- 7) All grantees are required to submit to the Lok-an Hospital, at the end of the period covered by the grant, 30 copies of their published publication, which must acknowledge support by the Lok-an Taiwanese Grants.
- 8) Applicants, who have received the award in 3 years, are not eligible to apply for funding again.
- 9) Please note that Lok-an Taiwanese Grants only provide supplementary financial support to your publication for your research results. Do not consider the grants as a major resource for your entire research project.

A **PPPLICATION PROCEDURE** The procedures are divided into two sections according to the categories of grants. Please read the right section as you desire to apply for. Applications, which do not follow the procedures, will not be considered. For submitting electronic files, we highly recommend you to use PDF (Portable Document Format). More information about PDF may be downloaded from the Adobe® Acrobat® Reader site at <<http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readermain.html>>

For the student thesis/dissertation support

Applications to the Lok-an grants will be accepted only once per year, starting on October 1 and closing on **December 1**. Please submit your applications only during the indicated dates, otherwise your application will not be considered. The final results will be announced by the end of February of the following year. All applicants are required to submit the following documents to the review committee in two formats, i.e. a printed hard copy and electronic files (in DOC or PDF formats; items 5 and 6 do not need electronic files). Electronic files may be submitted by email or by post. All documents must include two language versions, one in Vietnamese, and the other in Taiwanese, English, or Chinese. For the Vietnamese documents, please type by using UNICODE fonts (DO NOT use ABC or VNI any more).

- 1) Application form.
- 2) A copy of Vietnamese ID, and curriculum vitae or resume (including publications or papers presented, if applicable).
- 3) Detailed proposal of thesis or dissertation to be undertaken (maximum 10 pages).
- 4) Statement of plans in the near future after graduation.
- 5) Two letters of recommendations from professors.
- 6) Proof of approval of your thesis/dissertation proposal.

For the scholarly publication support

Applications to the Lok-an grants will be accepted only once per year, starting on January 1 and closing on **August 1**. Please submit your applications only during the indicated dates, otherwise your application will not be considered. Applicants are urged to submit their application as soon as possible since the review process is based on a first-come first-serve basis. The final results will be announced by the end of the application year. All applicants are required to submit the following documents to the review committee in two formats, i.e. a printed hard copy and electronic files (in DOC or PDF formats; items 4 and 6 do not need electronic files). Electronic files may be submitted by email or post. All documents (except item 4) must include two language versions, one in Vietnamese, and the other in Taiwanese, English, or Chinese. For the Vietnamese documents, please type by using UNICODE fonts (DO NOT use ABC or VNI any more). If your proposed publication is co-authored, please indicate the major author (or editor-in-chief) and other co-author(s). Please use additional application form for each co-author.

- 1) Application form.
- 2) A copy of citizen ID, and curriculum vitae or resume (including papers or books published, if applicable).
- 3) Detailed proposal of publication to be undertaken (including budget and contents of publication).
- 4) A copy of completed draft of publication (if applicable).
- 5) Statement of research plans in the near future.
- 6) Up to three letters of recommendations from other researchers (optional).

FOR MORE INFORMATION or to request an application form or to submit your electronic application files, please contact grant executive Wi-vun T. Chiung at lokan@de-han.org or visit our website at <http://lokan.de-han.org>. Please send your application package to the following address:

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