The Taiwan Chinese Flagship Program is an opportunity for students to bridge the gap between Chinese language and their professional careers. BYU students will participate in the Taiwan Chinese Flagship Capstone Program, administered by Hunter College Chinese Flagship. After preparation at BYU, students spend a semester enrolled at a prestigious university, the National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University, in Taipei, Taiwan and then a semester in an internship within their fields of study. Students will attend classes alongside Chinese-speaking peers at National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University and develop professional expertise in their field of study. This opportunity provides a chance to make lasting friendships and gain the skills necessary to become a global professional. In this setting, students will be provided special lectures on media, current events, culture, and receive peer tutoring. Students will also participate in a part-time internship in Taiwan.

DATES
Winter–Fall: January 2023–December 2023
Fall–Winter: August 2023–June 2024

HOUSING
Students will live in approved NYMU dorms on campus with a Taiwanese roommate/tutor of their choice, or a Flagship student of their choice near the university during the program dates each semester. Students will be assigned a tutor who provides five weekly tutoring hours.

COURSES
Students will enroll in the following courses while on this program:

IAS 399R—International Internship (One or more credit hours first semester and the same for second semester to maintain enrollment). Course requirements include directed readings, research writing, and journaling. While at National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University during the direct enrollment phase, students enroll in courses related to their major as well as specialized Flagship courses.

Electives: Students may take additional or fewer BYU credits as long as they register through the ISP office.
**COST**
BYU Tuition
For Flagship students only, some program costs are covered by the Chinese Flagship Program. Students are responsible for paying a $35 application fee and BYU tuition to BYU. Accompanying spouses of Flagship students will need to enroll through the Kennedy Center, pay $780 for international health insurance coverage as well as tuition for one credit per semester.

**TRAVEL**
Students are responsible for purchasing their own airfare to and from the program sites. Airfare reservations must be made through BYU Travel. Students should contact a BYU Travel agent at 280 HRCB, (801) 422-6293, or travel@byu.edu. More information will be provided to admitted students. All travel must adhere to the Fly America Act.

**PREPARATION**
Accepted students are required to participate in an international, preparation course (IAS 369R, 1 credit hour). This second-block evening course will be held during winter semester 2023. This course is offered only once a year. Accompanying spouses need to be credit-bearing participants of the program, with a minimum of one BYU credit hour per semester. Spouses will also need to apply online and take the preparation course.

Students must meet all country- and program-specific COVID and health requirements for travel.

**FUNDING SOURCES**
Regular BYU tuition scholarships, Pell Grants, and Federal Insured Student Loans may be applied to study abroad programs. Students who submit the financial aid section of the ISP application and who have a current FAFSA form on file at the Financial Aid Office (A-41 ASB) will be considered for a study abroad scholarship and may be considered for other scholarships. Academic departments and colleges may assist with scholarships and grants. Private grants and scholarships outside of BYU may also assist (see kennedy.byu.edu/scholarships). Students may request Chinese Flagship Program funding to pay part of the Flagship program costs as a last source of funding once they've applied for other scholarships. Students are encouraged and advised to apply for Boren scholarships, Freeman Asia, Ben Gilman, FLAS, College of Humanities funds, and other outside funding to cover all overseas program costs.

**APPLICATION PROCESS**
Students must be 18 years of age or older to participate. Complete the online application at kennedy.byu.edu/isp-apply. A nonrefundable $35 application fee is required. Students will be notified via e-mail of their acceptance into the program. The first payment is due upon acceptance.

Application Deadline: Winter: 15 November 2023; Fall: 15 March 2023

**FACULTY**
Matthew Christensen is the director of the Chinese Flagship Program.

**SCHEDULE AND TIME COMMITMENT**
Parents are not to visit students during the official program time period. Students should not plan late arrivals to the host country, and they should plan to stay the entire length of the program.

**INTERESTED STUDENTS SHOULD CONTACT**
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**PROGRAM ADJUSTMENTS**
International Study Programs (ISP) reserves the right to cancel this program, revise its offerings, or make any adjustments to the preliminary cost. If it becomes necessary for ISP to cancel a program, all program payments made to BYU ISP will be refunded to the student’s BYU financial account. ISP is the only office authorized to cancel any of its programs.