

INTRODUCTION TO THE

TAIWAN EMPLOYMENT GOLD CARD



What is the Gold Card?

In October 2017, the National Development Council of Taiwan passed the Act for the Recruitment & Employment of Foreign Professional Talent, to attract highly-skilled professionals to Taiwan.

The Taiwan Employment Gold Card is a "4 in 1" Card to live and work in Taiwan.



A '4 in 1' Card

RESIDENT VISA

Long-term visa allowing holders to stay in Taiwan for more than 180 days at a time

WORK PERMIT

Permit to legally work full-time, part-time, or freelance for any Taiwanese employer



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A physical card with an identity number used for daily living in Taiwan

RE-ENTRY PERMIT

Allowing multiple entries to Taiwan (even during COVID-19)

Benefits of the Gold Card

- 01 Open work permit
- 02 Eligible for income tax deductions
- 03 Resident visas for spouse and children
- 04 Eligible for the national health insurance
- 05 Visitor visas for direct family members

Application Process

1 Online Application

- 1) Registration
- 2) Fill in your information
- 3) Upload document
- 4) Payment and Email Confirmation

Verification

- a) Information check – National Immigration Agency
- b) Qualification check- Ministry of Labor & Relevant Ministries

During the information and qualification checks, the applicant may need to submit documents, resubmit their application, or their application may be rejected.

2 Passport check

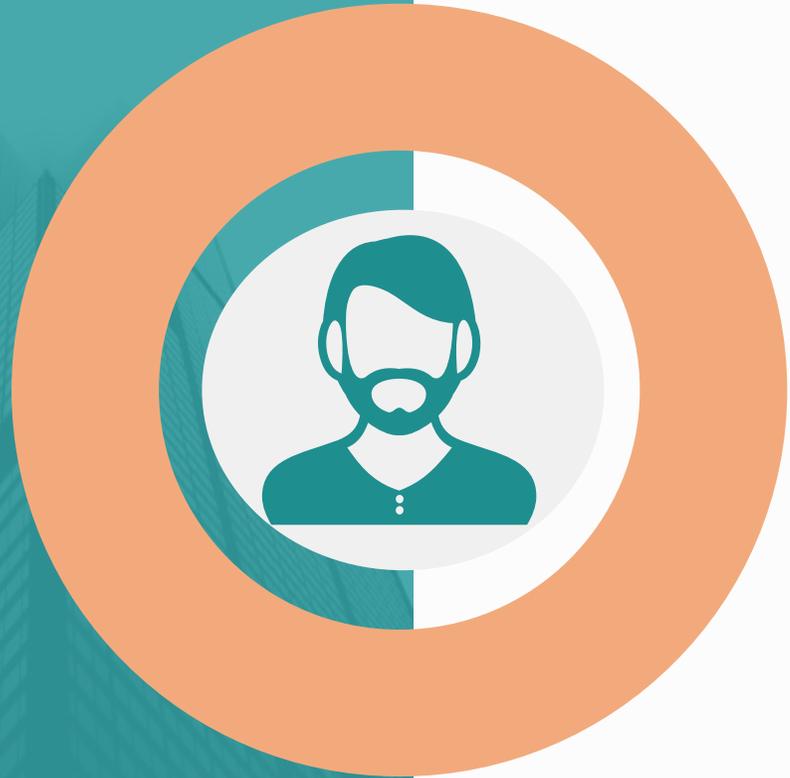
For overseas applications, or if you have entered Taiwan but have a visa with a limited stay period and cannot be extended or visa-free, passport inspection is required.

3 Pick up your Gold Card

Please bring your original passport and relevant documents to your chosen place for picking up your Gold Card

Who can apply for the Gold Card?

Foreigners that are specialists or have received national recognition in one of the following eight fields. Each applicant needs to select one qualifying criterion in a field.



Science & Tech

Economy

Finance

Education

Culture & Arts

Sports

Law

Architecture

Science & Tech

Criteria

- NTD160,000 monthly salary
- Outstanding R&D ability
- Doctorates with patents or publications
- Award winners: Nobel Prize, Tang Prize , Wolf Prize, Fields Medal , etc.
- Senior Executive or Core R&D personnel
- Startup exit or investment experience



Economy

Criteria

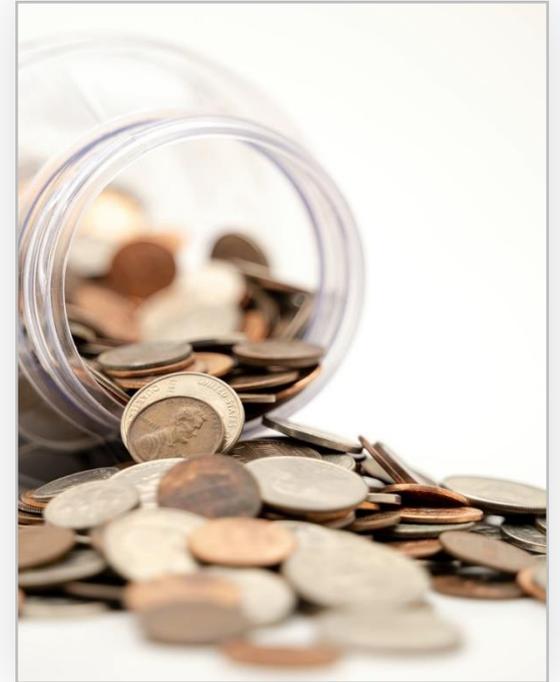
- NTD160,000 monthly salary
- Operations, technical or marketing executive
- International Innovation/ Invention Awards
- Specialized in semiconductors, information and communication, biotechnology or medical materials, precision machinery, etc



Finance

Criteria

- NTD 160,000 monthly salary
- International financial certificates
- Holding a financial position in a key industry such as financial technology, e-commerce, digital economy, technology management etc.
- Senior Executives

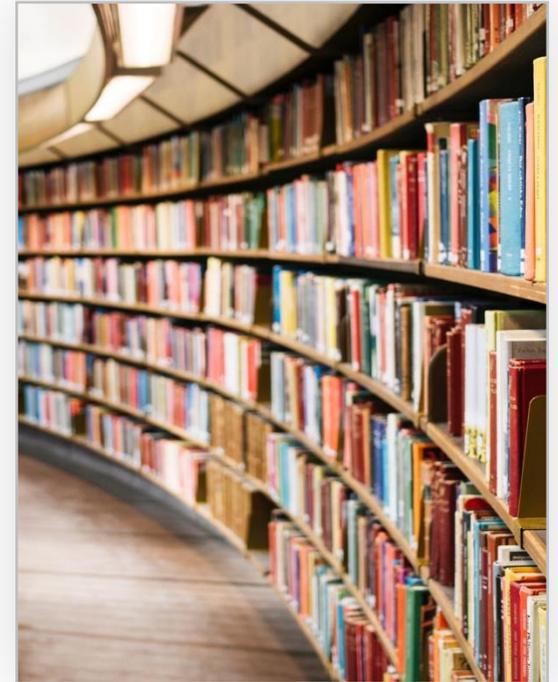


Education

Criteria

- NTD 160,000 monthly salary with 5 years of work experience
- PhD from one of the top 200 Universities
- Teaching or research experience at one of the top 500 universities
- Yu Shan (Young) Scholar Awards

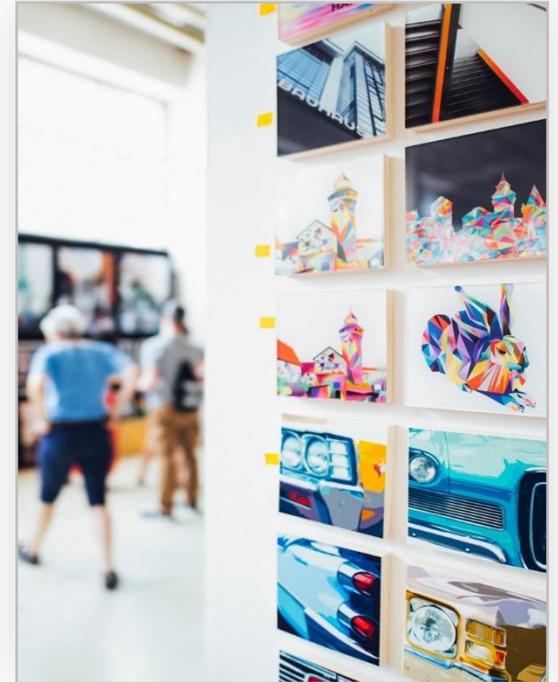
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Culture & Arts

Criteria

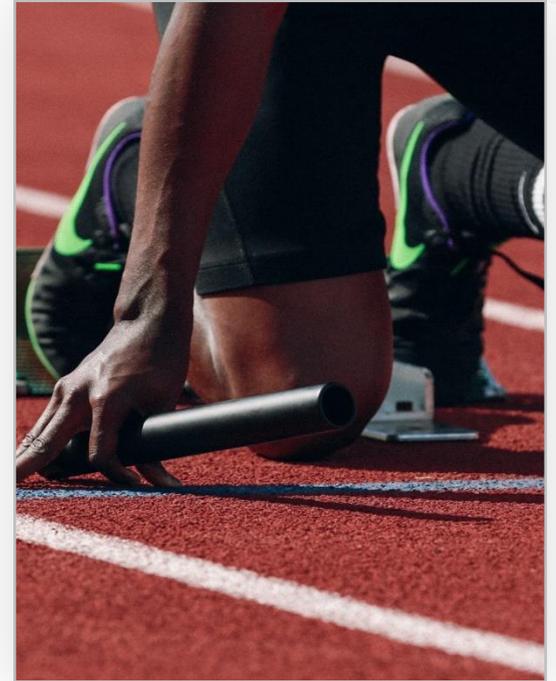
- International awards or substantial professional experience in areas of:
- Performing Arts, Visual Arts, Publishing
- Film, Broadcast, Pop Music
- Handicraft
- Cultural Administration
- New Cultural Industries



Sports

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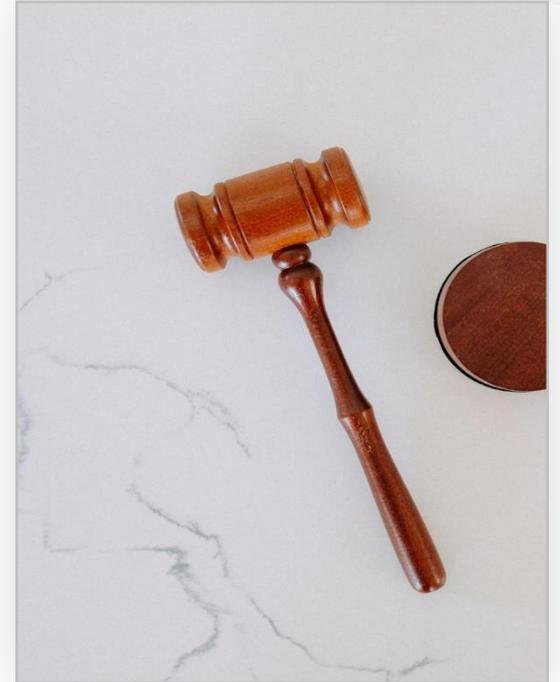
- National Olympic team athlete
- National Olympic team coach
- Referee at Olympic or national games
- World Champion



Law

Criteria

- Must be a ROC attorney or a ROC foreign legal affairs attorney
- NTD160,000 monthly salary
- Professor or research fellow



Architecture

Criteria

- NTD160,000 monthly salary
- Licensed Architect
- Minimum 5 years of design experience
- Building construction supervision experience

