

# 國立政治大學外籍教師宿舍生活指南

## *Maintenance, Operations, and Information Guide for English Language Residents*

### **LOCATION :**

*National Chengchi University (Chengda) is located in Mucha (or Muzha), a suburb in Taipei County. One university resident apartment house is at NO.4, LANE 65, OFF from Hsing Kuang Road (Sing Kuan Lu). Two main streets intersect with Hsing Kuang RD. At the bridges on Chin Nan Road and Mucha Road (about one in ten taxi drivers do not know where Hsing Kuang RD. is, so be ready to help them).*

### **MAP**

*The university does not have a map that shows Taipei City and Mucha. Domino Pizza and other sponsors give out a helpful small map of Taipei downtown. The university should provide a map of the campus.*

### **TRANSPORTATION**

*The easiest and most expensive way around Taipei is by yellow taxi. An average trip from Mucha to railroad station area is \$250 NTS, one way. The 236/237 bus on Chin Nan Road is \$30 NTS. A red sign in the left windows (facing the bus) may mean it stops National Taiwan University (15 NTS). A bus with no signs takes one to (within two blocks) the railroad station. The closest MRT stops are the zoo and Jiang-Mei.*

### **RESIDENCE**

*The apartment at IF (first floor), Building 4, Lane 65 is fully equipped. It has key locks for front and back doors and gates (four keys). Butane gas canisters heat the water at a cost of about 600NTS per month, if it is turned off after use. The telephone will be charged to the resident. It is paid through the sponsoring department, and Butane may be ordered also. There is no central heat, so a small room heater is recommended for heat during the 30 to 40 degree winters for drying out the room and items during long rainy period. Three A/C units are walls mounted. Building maintenance including light bulbs and cutting grass may have to be ordered through the sponsoring department. Gate entry is controlled inside by a wall-mounted phone. A buzzer for the gate is located outside under the address on the concrete-mounted street lamp.*

### **INVENTORY**

*Living room:sofa, 1 chairs, coffee table, buffet, dining table, 6 chairs, 4 sectional bookcase, a small lamp, a JVC color TV with cable.*

*Kitchen:refrigerator, washing machine on back porch, stove is built-in. A plastic place settings for four (plates, cups, saucers, glasses )with utensils*

*(Knives, forks, spoons ) , miscellaneous pots and pans.Bedroom:411-a single bed, 1-drawer end table, standing closet, 2 end table, desk, vanity. Basic bedding is included.*

*Maintenance:Dust pans and a map are provided. Do not throw water over the side of the building; It seeps into the walls causing serious deterioration. Report those who do this to the sponsoring department.*

### ***TRASH COLLECTION***

*Taiwan recycles trash. Food must be put in recyclable plastic bags overprinted with green Chinese characters. They may be pitched mon-sat, on Sing Kuang RD. Into the back of a collection truck, Tues. bagged metal and plastic are collected in separate trucks; newspapers are collected on Thursday. The trucks are announced by a musical tune and flashing amber lights. Then perhaps 20-30 neighbors will gather to throw in their trash. It is illegal to leave trash on the street.*

### ***UNIVERSITY SERVICES***

*Some groceries and house-hold items may be purchased at the university store on campus, if the resident has a university permit. Haircuts, eating, exercise facilities, etc. Are available.*

### ***RESTAURANTS***

*Many small restaurants cook food outdoors and indoors. They range in quality. A fine Chinese restaurant is at Shin Yi RD., sec 2, and #194, outside of Mucha. McDonalds is reliable; Pizzahut does deliver as soon as an English speaker takes the phone order.*

### ***POST OFFICE***

*Opposite the university main gate is a small post office. As One enters, to the right is postal savings. Mailing items goes quickly; postal savings requires that one takes a number and waits for a turn. Ask someone to assist you with filling out forms for savings. Have passport, alien residence certificate, and a chop stamp too.*

### ***MISCELLANEOUS***

*Fireworks may be heard often. They celebrate Buddha's many birthdays and drive out Evil spirits from neighborhoods. If one shares an apartment, smoking may be a problem, solve it immediately by reporting it to the sponsoring department, or by mutual agreement. The smoker may*

*volunteer to smoke outside.*