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SACE International forges historic partnership in Taiwan

Today, Taipei Municipal Zhong Zheng Senior High School will sign a partnership agreement with the Government of South Australia's SACE Board in a virtual ceremony, making it the first public school in Taiwan to offer the Australian senior secondary curriculum.

Taipei Municipal Zhong Zheng Senior High School will join schools across China, Malaysia, Vietnam, Sri Lanka, Vanuatu and New Caledonia in offering the internationally recognised South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE) qualification.

The innovative SACE curriculum is designed to enable students in developing the skills, knowledge and capabilities to successfully thrive in our fast-paced global society.

Zhong Zheng Senior High School students will study a dual track program, studying the SACE alongside the Taiwanese National senior secondary program, graduating with two qualifications and an improved range of options for their future.

The partnership supports Taiwan's Bilingual 2030 policy, addressing one of the key focus areas, which is to increase English language education in schools and equip the next generation of young people with the skills they need for success.

SACE Board Chief Executive Professor Martin Westwell was enthusiastic about how the SACE qualification closely aligns with the purpose of Taiwan's Bilingual 2030 policy, helping Zhong Zheng Senior School to meet key objectives.

"The world continues to evolve with what it needs from students, and it's much more than traditional skills and knowledge. What students need, and what SACE provides, are the capabilities and the ability to assess and shape the world and make it work for them," Professor Westwell said.

"SACE is designed to unlock every student's potential, teaching them how to be an effective learner through a dynamic and flexible curriculum so that they can thrive at school, in university and in life."

Open to an innovative approach in education, Taipei Municipal Zhong Zheng Senior High School has been a pioneer in championing international programs in Taiwan since 2017.

Principal Pamela Chiang recognised that the SACE International program would be an excellent qualification well suited to the self-driven and disciplined students of Zhong Zheng Senior High School.

"SACE is the best global educational resource to help to cultivate the right competency and perspectives students will need for the future," Principal Chiang said.

"Delivering SACE as part of a joint diploma program not only provides a broad academic horizon for students but will also help to build sound college applications for universities in Australia and around the world."

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Principal Chiang also welcomed the significant benefits SACE would bring to the teaching community at the school.

“Joining the SACE International program is a major benchmark in the development of our school because our teachers will access a global professional community with professional development opportunities to promote the pedagogy,” Principal Chiang said.

The significant collaboration between Australia and Taipei City was witnessed by Ministry of Education Deputy Director General of K-12 Education Administration Tai Shu-Fen, Australian representative in Taiwan Jenny Bloomfield, Austrade Senior Trade and Investment Commissioner Brent Moore, Principal Pamela Chiang, as well as representatives from the parents, teachers and alumni associations from Zhong Zheng Senior High School, joining Professor Westwell, Dr Jessica Gallagher from the University of Adelaide, Eliza Chui from Austrade’s International Education Centre of Excellence, among others.

Australian representative in Taiwan Ms Jenny Bloomfield was thrilled to see the collaboration between Taipei City and Australia.

“I would like to congratulate Zhong Zheng Senior High School, together with the Taipei City Government for becoming the first school in Taiwan to offer the SACE,” said Ms Bloomfield.

“This partnership reaffirms the strong education links between Australia and Taiwan and gives Taiwanese students a direct pathway to pursue tertiary studies at Australia’s globally renowned educational institutions.”

With the successful completion of SACE, graduates gain an international passport that opens doors to top universities in Australia, United Kingdom, United States, Canada, Malaysia and Singapore.

The SACE program has proven to be COVID resilient, an important benefit to school communities and students all over the world. Coursework, projects and collaborative activities make up 70 percent of the final grade, so results are not determined by a final examination. Examinations for many major subjects are offered online, and the flexibility and blended delivery model allows for smooth transitions without any compromise to the academic integrity of the program.

With the SACE program, teachers and leaders are supported by professional learning opportunities so they can deliver the best outcomes for students.

More than 40,000 students have graduated from the SACE International program since its inception in 1982.

For more information about SACE International visit www.sacei.edu.au. To find out more about SACE International curriculum being offered at Zhong Zheng Senior Secondary High School contact Principal Chiang Hui-Chen (Pamela) via email p68520@gmail.com.

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SACE 國際課程在臺灣建立歷史性合作夥伴關係

今天，臺北市立中正高中將與南澳大利亞州政府 SACE 教育證書委員會在線上儀式簽署合作協定，使其成為臺灣第一所提供澳大利亞高中課程的公立學校。臺北市立中正高級中將與世界其他國家一起提供國際認可的南澳大利亞教育證書（SACE）資格，包含馬來西亞、越南、斯里蘭卡等。

創新的 SACE 課程旨在使學生能夠發展技能、知識及素養能力，以便在我們快節奏的全球社會中成功茁壯成長。中正高中的學生將學習雙軌課程，與臺灣教育部高中課程一起學習，畢業時將獲得兩個資格，並為他們的未來提供更好的選擇。

該合作夥伴關係支持臺灣的 2030 年雙語國家政策，關鍵焦點之一，即為增加學校的英語教育，並為下一代年輕人提供成功所需的語言技能。SACE 教育證書委員會首席執行官 Martin Westwell 教授熱衷於如何將 SACE 教育資格與臺灣 2030 雙語國家政策的目的緊密結合，並協助中正中學實現此一關鍵目標。

韋斯特韋爾教授曾經說過“世界繼續隨著學生的需求而發展，這不僅僅是傳統的技能 and 知識。學生需要的，以及 SACE 提供的，是評估和塑造世界的 ability，並使其為他們服務。”“SACE 旨在釋放每個學生的潛力，經由動態和靈活的課程教他們如何成為一名有效的學習者，以便他們能夠在學校，大學和生活中茁壯成長。”

臺北市立中正高中對創新的教育方法持開放態度，自 2017 年以來一直是臺灣國際專案的先驅。校長江惠真了解到，SACE 國際課程是一個優秀的教育資格，非常適合中正高中自主與自律的學生。江惠真校長表示，SACE 是很好的全球教育資源，可以幫助培養學生未來所需的正確能力和觀點，將 SACE 作為雙聯文憑課程的一部分，不僅為學生提供了廣闊的學術視野，還將有助於為澳大利亞及世界各地大學的申請建立良好的資格。江惠真校長還對 SACE 帶給學校教師專業社群的資源表示歡迎，江惠真校長表示，加入 SACE 國際課程是學校發展的重要方向，因為我們的教師將進入一個全球專業社群，提供教師專業發展機會以利不斷精進教學策略。

教育部國民及學前教育署副署長戴淑芬女士、臺北市政府教育局專門委員楊淑妃女士、澳洲駐臺灣辦事處代表 露珍怡女士、澳洲駐臺商務處處長 莫博仁先生、中正高中江惠真女士、南澳教育證書委員會執行長 馬丁·韋斯特維爾教授，以及中正高

中家長、教師會與校友會代表，共同見證了澳大利亞與臺北市之間的重大合作。阿德萊德大學的潔西嘉·加拉格爾博士，澳大利亞貿易委員會國際教育卓越中心的崔伊莉莎等人也一同出席慶賀。

澳洲駐臺灣辦事處代表 露珍怡女士表示，很高興看到臺北市與澳大利亞之間的合作。“我要祝賀中正高中，以及臺北市政府成為臺灣第一所提供 SACE 的學校，這種夥伴關係重申了澳大利亞和臺灣之間強大的教育合作，並為臺灣學生提供了進入澳大利亞全球知名高等教育的直接途徑。”

隨著完成 SACE 的畢業資格，畢業生將獲得國際護照，為世界各地的頂尖大學打開大門，包括澳大利亞、英國、美國、加拿大、馬來西亞和新加坡的頂尖大學。事實證明，SACE 課程具有不售新冠病毒影響的能力，對世界各地的學校及學生都有重要的好處。學生在學習期間的課程作業、專案及協作活動等佔最終畢業資格評量的 70%，因此結果不是由期末考試決定的，另外，科目的考試題目是線上提供，學校可以靈活地實施線上及實體的混合模式進行，不受疫情影響，此模式將可使試務平穩順利，不會對課程的學術完整性造成任何影響。經由 SACE 課程，教師及學校領導者將獲得專業學習機會的支持，因此可以為學生提供最佳學習，自 1982 年 SACE 國際課程成立以來，已有超過 40,000 名學生畢業。

.有關 SACE 國際課程的更多資訊，請訪問 www.sacei.edu.au。要了解有關中正高級中學提供的 SACE 國際課程的更多資訊，請聯繫江惠真校長 p68520@gmail.com。