More Information about the travel

Current exchange is

100 TWD = 3.3 US Dollar = 2.9 Euro

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- The closest airports to both the school place (NTHU) and the conference place (Jinshan) are Taoyuan International Airport (TPE)
 - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Taoyuan_International_Airport and Taipei Songshan Airport (TSA) serving a few Asian cities only https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Taipei_Songshan_Airport.
- From **TPE** to **NTHU**, a taxi ride takes about 45 minutes and costs 1400-1500 TWD if there is no traffic jam.
- From **TPE** to **NTHU** by public transportation, you first take the metro to Taoyuan High Speed Rail Station (25 TWD, 20min), take the high speed train to Hsinchu (125 TWD for unreserved seat, 11min). The website of High Speed Rail is https://www.thsrc.com.tw/index_en.html
 - You then take a local bus (No.182 from Gate 2 of the small bus terminal outside the Hsinchu High Speed Rail Station) to NTHU (15 TWD exact change, 40-50min). The last part can be substituted by a taxi ride (about 250 TWD, 15min).
- From **TSA** to **NTHU**, you take the metro to Taipei Main Station. There you can take the High Speed Rail to Hsinchu Station (290 TWD, 30min) and follow the above instruction to NTHU. You can also take ordinary rail. But the most convenient way is by bus.
- If you arrive at **TPE** and want to go to **Jinshan** Youth Center via public transportation directly, take either the express metro to Taipei Main Station

https://www.taoyuan-airport.com/english/taoyuan_metro

or Kuo-Kuang Bus No.1819 to Taipei Main Station (135-140 TWD).

https://www.taiwanbus.tw/information.aspx?Lang=En.

Then take the Kuo-Kuang Bus No.1815 from a new glass bus terminal next to Taipei Main Station and Taipei Bus Station.

https://www.taiwanbus.tw/information.aspx?Line=8236&Lang=En

The last stop is the Jinshan Youth Center (128 TWD, 1.5 hours).

• From **TSA** to **Jinshan** take the regular metro or taxi to Taipei Main Station. Then take the Kuo-Kuang Bus No.1815 from a new glass bus terminal next to Taipei Main Station and Taipei Bus Station.

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Of course you could also take a taxi from TSA. It might cost approximately 1 200 TWD.

- If someone wants to go to **Taipei** for some reason during the Conference, the previously mentioned bus is also the bus to use.
- To travel between NTHU and Taipei Main Station, the best way is by bus because there is a bus stop at the main entrance of NTHU, served by several bus companies. During the day, there is a bus every 5 to 10 minutes. The trip takes about one hour when there is no traffic jam. One of the best choices is the bus served jointly by Hsinchu Bus Co. and SanChung Bus Co. A one way ticket costs 130 TWD. If you are already in NTHU, you can buy a ticket for 100 TWD from the Convenience Store in the ShuiMu Student Center. Another good company is HowTai Bus Co. A one way ticket costs 135 TWD, but only 105TWD if you buy at the convenience store in NTHU. This bus runs until late but has a surcharge for night trips.
- If you come to **Hsinchu** from **Taipei Bus Station**https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Taipei_Bus_Station
 (next to Taipei Main Station), you go to the second floor for the Hsinchu/SanChung bus or the third floor for the HowTai bus, and pay the regular fares. There is a senior discount for over 65.
- (This concerns you only if you want to make an excursion) To travel from **NTHU** to **Taichung**, you take the buses served jointly by Hsinchu Bus and Taichung Bus Co. Ticket costs 130TWD if purchased from the convenience store at NTHU.
- If you use public transportation such as metro, buses, regular trains in Taipei and Hsinchu, or services connecting Airport, Taipei, Hsinchu, Jinshan, you can purchase and use an **Easy Card** to avoid paying exact changes and have a small discount in some cases.

https://www.easycard.com.tw/en/service

https://guidetotaipei.com/article/easycard

But be careful because in most (but not all) cases, you need to swipe the card when you get on and off. Otherwise the card will be locked. There are versions for students and seniors.