

National Taiwan University of Science and Technology

General Academic Regulations

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Chapter I – General Provisions

- Article 1 National Taiwan University of Science and Technology (Taiwan Tech or “the University”) hereby formulates the General Academic Regulations (“the Regulations”) in accordance with the University Act and its Enforcement Rules and the Degree Conferral Act, to govern matters relating to student status, course selection, grades, and graduation.

Chapter II – Eligibility for Admission and Student Status Management

Section I: Eligibility for Admission

- Article 2 Applicants who have graduated from a public senior high school, a duly accredited private senior high school, or an institution of equivalent standing, or who possess equivalent educational attainment, and who have been admitted through the relevant admissions channels, may enroll as first-year undergraduate students at the University.
- Article 3 Applicants who have graduated from a public junior college, a duly accredited private junior college, or a junior college overseas recognized by the Ministry of Education; who have graduated from a public or private junior college continuing (supplementary) education institution and obtained a diploma or certificate of completion; or who possess equivalent educational attainment, and who have been admitted through the relevant admissions channels, may enroll as third-year undergraduate students at the University.
- Article 3.1 Applicants who have graduated from a domestic university or independent college duly accredited by the Ministry of Education, or from an overseas university or independent college recognized in accordance with Ministry of Education regulations, have obtained a bachelor’s degree or higher, and have been admitted through the relevant admissions channels, may enroll in the University’s post-baccalaureate bachelor’s degree program.
- Article 4 Applicants who have graduated from a public university, a duly accredited private university, or an independent college, or from an overseas university or independent college meeting the recognition standards prescribed by the Ministry of Education, and who have obtained a bachelor’s degree from a relevant department or possess equivalent educational attainment, and who have been admitted through the master’s program admissions process, may enroll in a master’s program at the University.
- Article 5 Applicants who have obtained a master’s degree from a public university, a duly accredited private university, or an independent college, or from an overseas university or independent college recognized by the Ministry of Education, and who have been admitted through the doctoral program admissions process, or students of the University who meet the requirements prescribed in the Regulations for the Direct Pursuit of the Ph.D. Degree, may enroll in a doctoral program at the University. The **Regulations for the Direct Pursuit of the Ph.D. Degree** shall be prescribed separately.

- Article 6 When vacancies arise, undergraduate departments of the University may conduct transfer examinations to admit transfer students; however, transfer students shall not be admitted to the first year or the final year of study. Applicants admitted through the University’s transfer examination may transfer into the corresponding undergraduate program length and year level. The regulations governing transfer admissions shall be prescribed separately and submitted to the Ministry of Education for approval.
- Article 7 International students may apply for admission in accordance with the **Regulations Governing the Admission of International Students**, which shall be prescribed separately and submitted to the Ministry of Education for approval.
- Article 7.1 Students of the University and students of overseas universities or colleges may pursue overseas dual-degree programs in accordance with the University’s regulations. The relevant regulations shall be prescribed separately and submitted to the Ministry of Education for approval.
- Article 8 In addition to meeting the requirements set forth in Articles 2 through 7-1, all admissions procedures shall be conducted in accordance with the applicable admissions guidelines.
- Article 9 At the time of enrollment reporting, students shall submit academic qualification documents in accordance with the eligibility requirements for admission before being permitted to enroll. Students who, for legitimate reasons, apply in advance for deferred submission of such documents and receive approval may be provisionally enrolled; however, the required documents shall be submitted within the prescribed period. Failure to do so shall result in the retroactive revocation of admission status.
- Master's and doctoral students who meet the admission eligibility requirements may, in accordance with the provisions set forth in the applicable admissions guidelines, apply for enrollment one semester in advance.
- Where cheating occurs in the entrance examination, or where any admission documents submitted are found to have been forged, altered, falsely borrowed, impersonated, misrepresented, or tampered with, and such conduct is verified upon investigation, the admission status shall be retroactively revoked or the student shall be expelled. Where such circumstances are discovered after graduation, the degree certificate shall be recovered in accordance with the law, and the student’s graduation qualification may be publicly revoked.
- Article 10 Newly admitted students who fall under any of the following circumstances may apply to the Office of Academic Affairs to retain their admission status prior to the registration deadline. However, where the admissions guidelines for a particular admissions category explicitly prohibit the retention of admission status, such provisions shall prevail. Undergraduate students may retain their admission status until enrollment in the academic year following the resolution of the relevant cause; master’s and doctoral students may retain their admission status until enrollment in the semester following the resolution of the relevant cause.
1. Students who require long-term medical treatment due to serious illness and who submit a medical certificate issued by a regional hospital or above contracted by the National Health Insurance Administration; the retention period shall, in principle, be limited to one year.
 2. Students who are performing compulsory military service and who submit a conscription notice or proof of active service.

3. Students who apply due to pregnancy, childbirth, or the need to care for children under three years of age and who submit relevant supporting documents.
4. Newly admitted freshmen to four-year undergraduate programs who were admitted upon graduation from senior high school may, upon submission of employment or intended employment documentation and upon approval, retain their admission status for a maximum period of two years. Upon registration, such students shall submit proof of employment during the period of retained admission status.
5. Students participating in the Youth Education and Employment Savings Account Program, for a maximum period of three years.
6. Students who are unable to register for enrollment in the relevant semester due to other force majeure circumstances.

Section II: Student Status Management

- Article 11 A student’s name and date of birth as recorded in the student status records shall be based on the information stated on the national identification card. Where the information stated on documents submitted for admission eligibility does not match that stated on the national identification card, such information shall be corrected without delay.
- Article 12 Records relating to a student’s enrollment at the University, including the department or graduate institute in which the student is enrolled, year of study, academic records, and student status records concerning registration, leave of absence, resumption of studies, and withdrawal, shall be based on the original student status and academic records maintained by the Office of Academic Affairs. Such student status records shall be permanently archived by the University. Matters concerning academic affairs and student status during periods of study abroad shall be governed by guidelines prescribed separately.
- Article 13 Current students or graduates who apply for a change of name or date of birth shall submit relevant supporting documents issued by the household registration authority to the Office of Academic Affairs for correction.
- Article 14 (Deleted)

Chapter III – Registration, Course Selection and Credits

Section I: Registration

- Article 15 Students shall, each semester, pay the required fees and complete registration within the prescribed period in accordance with the registration guidelines.
- Article 16 Students who are granted approved leave due to serious illness or special circumstances may defer registration for a period of up to two weeks. Newly admitted students who fail to complete registration by the deadline without approved leave shall have their admission canceled. Continuing students who fail to complete registration, have not applied for a leave of absence, and fall under the circumstances set forth in Article 44, Paragraph 1, Subparagraph 1 shall be withdrawn.

Section II: Course Selection and Credits

Article 17 Students shall select courses in accordance with the course selection guidelines and the required courses prescribed by each department, and shall complete course selection within the announced period each semester.

Students who elect to take courses at another university shall do so in accordance with the University's **Inter-University Course Selection Guidelines**, which are stipulated separately.

Article 17.1 Students applying for credit transfer shall submit their applications during the credit transfer application period specified in the University's academic calendar. Applications shall be submitted to the department, graduate institute, or degree program in which the student is enrolled and, in principle, may be submitted only once.

The general principles governing credit transfer are as follows:

1. Credit transfer is limited to credits earned from courses completed within ten years prior to the academic year of the student's admission, with passing grades, and which have not been applied toward a degree of the same educational level.
2. Courses with identical titles and content, or with different titles but identical content, may be approved for credit transfer upon review and approval by the department, college, and Office of Academic Affairs.
3. The total number of approved transferred credits shall not exceed one-half of the total credits required for graduation.
4. Credits earned at the University shall not be subject to the limitation set forth in the preceding subparagraph, except for credits earned through the University's Continuing Education Center, which shall comply with that limitation.
5. For students enrolled in dual-degree programs, the number of approved transferred credits shall not exceed two-thirds of the total credits required for graduation.
6. In-service master's programs may establish their own credit transfer limits based on actual needs; however, the maximum number of transferable credits shall not exceed the limits specified in Subparagraphs 3 through 5.
7. Undergraduate students (excluding transfer students) who have been approved to transfer a total of 50 credits or more may, depending on the circumstances, have one academic year of study waived; however, they shall complete at least one year of study at the University before becoming eligible for graduation.
8. Post-baccalaureate students shall complete no fewer than 40 credits at the University after credit transfer.
9. For credits earned prior to admission through extension education credit programs offered by junior colleges or higher education institutions, credit transfer shall be determined in accordance with these General Academic Regulations and the University's Credit Transfer Regulations. Credits that have already been used as qualifications for admission shall not be transferred again after enrollment. After credit transfer, students shall complete no fewer than one-half of the credits required for graduation for the relevant degree program and shall fulfill the prescribed minimum period of study, which shall not be less than one year.

Detailed provisions governing credit transfer shall be prescribed separately in the University's Credit Transfer Regulations.

Article 18 The maximum number of credits undergraduate students may enroll in each semester shall be 25. The minimum number of credits required per semester shall be 16 for first- through third-year students and 9 for fourth-year students.

Students enrolled in in-service bachelor's programs may enroll in a maximum of 13 credits per semester and a minimum of 9 credits per semester.

Students who achieved an average academic grade of 80 or above or a grade point average (GPA) of 3.38 or above in the previous semester, or who are pursuing a minor, enrolled in a teacher education program, or pursuing a double major, may enroll in up to 31 credits in the subsequent semester; however, students enrolled in in-service programs may enroll in no more than 19 credits.

Fourth-year undergraduate students and students enrolled in in-service programs who, due to special circumstances, are unable to meet the minimum credit requirement for a given semester may, upon approval by their class advisor and department chair, reduce the required minimum credit load for that semester, provided that at least one course is taken.

Article 19 The number of credits required per semester for master's and doctoral students shall be determined by their respective departments or graduate institutes.

Master's and doctoral students shall, within the period prescribed by their departments or graduate institutes, consult with their thesis advisor to determine their thesis topic. During the initial stage of thesis preparation, students shall confirm with their advisor that the thesis topic and content are consistent with the department's academic field of expertise.

Article 20 Students shall not enroll in courses with conflicting class schedules; otherwise, all conflicting courses shall be cancelled.

Students shall not retake courses that they have previously passed with identical course titles and credit values, nor courses for which credit transfer has already been approved with identical titles and credit values. Credits and grades for such duplicate courses shall not be recorded.

Chapter IV – Duration of Studies, Graduation Credits & Grading

Section I: Duration of Study and Graduation Credits

Article 21 The University adopts an academic year credit system. Each academic year is divided into two semesters: fall and winter semesters. When necessary, summer courses may be offered in accordance with the **Guidelines for Offering Summer Courses**, which shall be prescribed separately.

Undergraduate day and master's and doctoral programs shall, in principle, offer courses during daytime hours, while undergraduate in-service programs and in-service master's programs shall, in principle, offer courses during evening hours. Students enrolled in undergraduate in-service programs may, each semester, enroll in up to two daytime courses; however, students who are employed while enrolled in such programs shall obtain the consent of their employing institution before enrolling in daytime courses.

Article 22 For students admitted to the first year of an undergraduate program, the prescribed duration of study is four years. To graduate, students shall complete no fewer than 128 credits,

excluding required physical education credits; however, departments and degree programs may increase the required number of graduation credits based on actual needs.

Graduates of overseas or Hong Kong/Macao secondary schools whose level of graduation is equivalent to the second year of domestic senior high schools and who are admitted to the first year of an undergraduate program based on equivalent educational qualifications shall, in addition to the graduation credit requirements set forth in the preceding paragraph, complete an additional 16 credits.

Students who have completed the required graduation credits within the prescribed duration of study and are approved by the University to study abroad, and who submit an application to extend their period of study before the final examinations of the graduation semester with approval from the Office of Academic Affairs, or students who fail to complete the required graduation credits within the prescribed duration of study, may extend their period of study, provided that the total duration of study shall not exceed six years.

Students with disabilities who, due to physical or mental conditions and learning needs, require an extension of their period of study may apply for such extension, provided that the total duration of study shall not exceed eight years.

Article 23 For students admitted to the third year of an undergraduate program, the prescribed duration of study is two years. The duration of study for students enrolled in undergraduate in-service programs shall not be less than two years. To graduate, students shall complete no fewer than 72 credits, excluding required physical education credits.

Students who have completed the required graduation credits within the prescribed duration of study and are approved by the University to study abroad, and who submit an application to extend their period of study before the final examinations of the graduation semester with approval from the Office of Academic Affairs, or students who fail to complete the required graduation credits within the prescribed duration of study, may extend their period of study, provided that the total duration of study shall not exceed four years.

Students with disabilities who, due to physical or mental conditions and learning needs, require an extension of their period of study may apply for such extension, provided that the total duration of study shall not exceed six years.

Article 23.1 For students admitted to post-baccalaureate bachelor's degree programs, the prescribed duration of study shall be one to two years. The number of credits required for graduation shall be determined by each degree program, provided that it shall not be fewer than 48 credits.

Students who fail to complete the required graduation credits within the prescribed duration of study may apply to extend their period of study for up to two years.

Article 24 Undergraduate students who fail to complete the requirements for their department or degree program, minor, double major, teacher education program, or credit program within the prescribed duration of study may extend their period of study for up to two additional years.

Students pursuing a double major who, upon completion of a two-year extension, have completed the requirements of their primary department or degree program but have not completed the required courses and credits for their additional major may apply for a further extension of up to one year.

Students enrolled in a credit program shall apply for approval from the unit administering the program and, upon approval by the Office of Academic Affairs, may extend their period of study.

The terms “minor,” “double major,” and “credit program” as used in this Article include those offered by member institutions of the National Taiwan University System.

Article 25 Undergraduate students in their final year who have not completed the total number of credits required for graduation shall retake or make up the required courses during the second semester of their extended period of study. During the first semester of the extended period, such students may apply for a leave of absence and shall be exempt from registration.

Article 26 The prescribed duration of study for master’s program students shall be one to four years. The minimum number of credits required for graduation shall be 24. Special requirements are as follows:

1. Students enrolled in the MBA program of the School of Management shall complete no fewer than 45 credits.
2. Students enrolled in the Department of Business Administration, the Graduate Institute of Finance, and the Graduate Institute of Technology Management shall complete no fewer than 42 credits.
3. Students enrolled in other departments or institutes of the School of Management and the Graduate Institute of Patent shall complete no fewer than 36 credits.
4. Students enrolled in the Graduate Institute of Digital Learning and Education and the Department of Applied Foreign Languages shall complete no fewer than 30 credits.

The foregoing credit requirements shall not include thesis credits.

Article 26.1 The prescribed duration of study for students enrolled in in-service master’s programs shall be one to four years. The minimum number of credits required for graduation shall be 30. Special requirements are as follows:

1. Students enrolled in the Advanced Technology R&D In-Service Master’s Program of the College of Engineering and the Semiconductor Executive MBA and R&D (SEMI-EMRD) In-Service Master’s Program shall complete no fewer than 45 credits.
2. Students enrolled in EMBA in-service master’s programs of the School of Management shall complete no fewer than 45 credits.
3. Students enrolled in the In-Service Master’s Program of the Graduate Institute of Patent shall complete no fewer than 36 credits.

The foregoing credit requirements shall not include thesis credits.

Article 27 The prescribed duration of study for doctoral students shall be two to seven years. The minimum number of credits required for graduation shall be 18. However, students enrolled in the Graduate Institute of Digital Learning and Education and, within the School of Management, all departments except the Department of Industrial Management and the Graduate Institute of Finance, shall complete no fewer than 30 credits. Doctoral programs in other departments within the School of Management shall require no fewer than 24 credits.

The credit requirements for students pursuing the doctoral degree through direct pursuit shall be governed by the provisions of the preceding paragraph, unless otherwise prescribed by the relevant department or graduate institute, in which case such provisions shall prevail.

The foregoing credit requirements shall not include thesis credits.

Article 28 Master's and doctoral students who are admitted as in-service students or as in-service teachers and who fail to complete the required graduation credits or their thesis within the prescribed duration of study may apply for an extension of their period of study, provided that such extension shall not exceed two years.

Master's and doctoral students with disabilities may, based on their physical or mental condition and learning needs, apply for an extension of their period of study for up to two years.

Article 28.1 Students who require an extension of their period of study due to pregnancy, childbirth, or the need to care for children under three years of age may apply for such extension.

Article 29 The prescribed duration of study shall not include periods of retention of admission status, retention of student status, or leave of absence.

Credits earned in teacher training programs shall not be counted toward the total number of credits required for graduation.

Section II: Grading

Article 30 Academic performance for undergraduate students shall be graded on a scale of 100 points, with 60 points as the passing mark. Academic performance for master's and doctoral students shall be graded on a scale of 100 points, with 70 points as the passing mark. For students admitted from Academic Year 100 onward, academic performance shall be assessed using a letter grading system, with A+ as the highest grade. Under the letter grading system, C- shall be the passing grade for undergraduate students, and B- shall be the passing grade for master's and doctoral students.

Matters concerning the correspondence between the letter grading system and the percentage-based grading system shall be governed by the University's **Guidelines for Student Academic Performance**, which shall be prescribed separately.

Academic performance may also be assessed on a "Pass" or "Fail" basis, where "Pass" constitutes a passing result and "Fail" constitutes a failing result. Courses adopting this assessment method shall be subject to approval by the Academic Affairs Council.

Students who fail a course shall not be permitted to take a makeup examination. Required courses that are failed shall be retaken.

Article 31 The calculation of credits for each course shall, in principle, be based on eighteen hours of instruction per credit. For practicum or laboratory courses, one credit shall be granted for every thirty-six to fifty-four hours per semester. Courses may be completed within a sixteen-week period.

Article 32 Academic assessment shall consist of four types: regular assessment, unscheduled examinations, midterm examinations, and final examinations.

Students in their graduating year shall take examinations together with the class in which they are enrolled for the relevant course.

Article 33 Semester grades for each course shall be calculated by the course instructor based on regular assessment, unscheduled examinations, midterm examinations, and/or final examinations. Once grades have been entered and transmitted for confirmation by the course-offering unit, grade submission shall be deemed complete.

Article 34 The calculation of student academic grades shall be conducted as follows:

1. Calculation of Semester Academic Grades:

- 1.1 The number of credits for each course multiplied by the grade earned shall constitute the grade points for that course. The sum of all course grade points shall be the total grade points.
 - 1.2 The sum of credits for all courses taken shall be the total credits attempted.
 - 1.3 The total grade points divided by the total credits attempted shall constitute the semester academic result, calculated to two decimal places, with rounding applied from the third decimal place.
2. Calculation of Summer Session Academic Grades:
 - 2.1 The number of credits for each course multiplied by the grade earned shall constitute the grade points for that course. The sum of all course grade points shall be the total grade points.
 - 2.2 The sum of credits for all courses taken shall be the total credits attempted.
3. Calculation of Graduation Grades:
 - 3.1 The sum of total grade points for all semesters and all summer sessions shall constitute the total graduation grade points.
 - 3.2 The sum of all credits attempted during semesters and summer sessions shall constitute the total graduation credits attempted.
 - 3.3 The total graduation grade points divided by the total graduation credits attempted shall constitute the graduation result, calculated to two decimal places, with rounding applied from the third decimal place.

Courses assessed on a “Pass” or “Fail” basis shall count only toward credits earned and shall not be included in the calculation of academic results.

The calculation of academic results shall include failed courses.

No academic results shall be calculated for semesters during which a student is on a leave of absence.

Graduate students may enroll in undergraduate courses. In principle, the credits and grades earned in such courses shall not be included in the calculation of academic results set forth in Subparagraph 1, nor counted toward graduation credits. In exceptional cases, upon approval by the student’s advisor and department chair (or institute director), undergraduate courses passed by the student may be counted toward graduation credits, and the associated credits and grades shall be included in the calculation of academic results; however, the total credits so counted shall not exceed one-third of the total graduation credits required by the department or institute.

For master’s and doctoral students, degree examination results shall be listed in addition to graduation results.

Article 35 Once semester grades have been confirmed by the course-offering unit, they shall not be altered. However, where errors in data entry or calculation occur, grade corrections shall be handled in accordance with the [Regulations Governing the Submission and Correction of Semester Grades by Instructors](#), which shall be prescribed separately.

- Article 36 Students who are granted approved leave during semester examinations due to special circumstances may be permitted to take a makeup examination, limited to one time.
- For students granted approved leave due to official duties, serious illness, the death of an immediate family member, or examination schedule conflicts, the makeup examination grade shall be calculated based on the actual score awarded by the instructor. For students granted approved leave for other reasons, the makeup examination grade shall be calculated using 60 points or C- as the base for undergraduate students and 70 points or B- as the base for master's and doctoral students, with 80 percent of any points exceeding the base score counted.
- For students granted approved leave due to pregnancy, childbirth, or the need to care for children under three years of age, absences shall not result in grade deductions. Where the number of missed class hours exceeds one-third of the total instructional hours for the semester, the handling of the course grade may, depending on the nature of the course, be determined flexibly through makeup examinations or other remedial measures. Makeup examination grades in such cases shall be calculated based on actual performance.
- Article 37 Undergraduate students who have not yet completed the prescribed duration of study but who demonstrate outstanding academic performance and satisfy graduation requirements may apply for early graduation in the semester or academic year preceding the completion of the minimum duration of study.
- The procedures governing early graduation shall be prescribed separately and submitted to the Ministry of Education for reference.
- Article 38 Degree examinations for master's and doctoral students shall be conducted in accordance with the University's **Regulations Governing Graduate Degree Examinations**, which shall be prescribed separately and submitted to the Ministry of Education for reference.
- Article 39 Students whose examination misconduct is verified shall receive a score of zero for the relevant course.
- Cases of examination misconduct shall also be handled in accordance with the University's student rewards and disciplinary regulations.
- Students with outstanding academic performance shall be awarded commendations. The regulations governing academic excellence awards shall be prescribed separately.

Chapter V – Short-Term Leave of Absence, Extended Leave of Absence, Resumption of Studies & Expulsion

- Article 40 Where a student is unable to attend classes for any reason, the student shall complete the leave application procedures in accordance with the University's Rules Governing Student Leave.
- Article 41 A student may apply for a leave of absence due to important circumstances.
- Newly admitted students and transfer students shall complete registration procedures for their first semester before applying for a leave of absence.
- Where a student commits a serious violation of University regulations, the student may, by resolution of the Student Affairs Committee, be placed on a fixed-term leave of absence.
- Article 42 A leave of absence shall be taken by semester and shall be limited to a maximum of four semesters. However, where a special case is approved by the Vice President for Academic

Affairs, an extension of one or two additional semesters may be granted. Student with disabilities, due to physical or mental conditions and learning needs, may apply for an additional extension of up to two semesters upon special approval by the Vice President for Academic Affairs. The following circumstances, if approved, shall not be counted toward the leave-of-absence limit:

1. Military service: The student shall submit a copy of the conscription notice when applying, and upon completion of service, shall submit a discharge certificate for record.
2. Pregnancy, childbirth, or the need to care for children under three years of age.
3. Newly admitted students who participate in the “Youth Education and Employment Savings Account Program” after the registration deadline but before the start of the semester; the period shall be limited to three years.
4. National team athletes representing the nation in overseas competitions (including training periods), who shall submit relevant supporting documents; the period shall be limited to a maximum of two semesters.
5. Undergraduate students enrolled in a four-year industry-academia cooperative bachelor’s degree program approved by the Ministry of Education who, after completing two years of study and earning at least eighty credits, and where an internship period is required, have completed the internship and passed the required evaluations, and who enter employment prior to graduation, may apply for a leave of absence upon submission of employment-related supporting documents verified by the program as meeting the objectives of practical application and strengthening industry-academia collaboration; the period shall not exceed four semesters.

A student applying for a leave of absence shall submit the application and obtain approval no later than one week before the final examinations of the semester.

Article 43 Upon completion of a leave of absence or a period of retention of student status, a student shall complete resumption procedures for the semester of resumption by the registration deadline specified in the academic calendar.

Upon resumption, the student shall return to the original department or graduate institute and enroll in the corresponding academic year or semester. Where the student took a leave of absence during a semester, the student shall, upon resumption, enroll in the same academic year or semester in which the leave of absence was taken.

Article 44 Except where a student applies for voluntary withdrawal, a student shall be ordered to withdraw under any of the following circumstances:

1. Failure to register by the deadline, or failure to resume studies upon expiration of a leave of absence.
2. Upon expiration of the prescribed duration of study, failure to complete the required graduation credits or failure to pass required courses, or failure to pass the thesis examination.
3. For undergraduate students, where the total number of failed-course credits in two consecutive semesters reaches one-half (inclusive) or more of the total credits taken in the relevant semester. However, for overseas Chinese students, international students, Mongolian and Tibetan students returning from overseas for further study, Indigenous students, students who are children of personnel posted overseas, and outstanding university student athletes who

meet the criteria prescribed by the Ministry of Education, this provision shall apply where the total number of failed-course credits in two consecutive semesters reaches two-thirds (inclusive) or more of the total credits taken in the relevant semester.

4. For students admitted from Academic Year 112 onward who simultaneously hold two or more (inclusive) undergraduate student statuses at the University, only one may be retained.
5. For master's and doctoral students, failure of the degree examination, and failure again after one retake.
6. For doctoral students, failure to pass the doctoral candidacy qualification examination.
7. In addition to the circumstances set forth in the preceding subparagraphs, withdrawal pursuant to the University's **Student Rewards and Penalties Regulations**.

The provisions of Subparagraph 3 of this Article shall not apply to students who take nine credits (inclusive) or fewer in a semester, or to students with disabilities.

Where outstanding university student athletes who meet the criteria prescribed by the Ministry of Education fall under circumstances governed by the University's relevant regulations for such students, those regulations shall prevail.

Article 45 A student who is ordered to withdraw may apply for the issuance of a Certificate of Study. However, a student who has been expelled from student status shall not apply for the issuance of any certificate or official document.

If a student disputes a decision of withdrawal or expulsion from student status, the student may, within the prescribed period, file an appeal in accordance with the University's **Regulations Governing the Establishment and Review Procedures of the Student Appeals Review Committee**. Before the appeal result is finalized, the student may continue studies at the University. Where the appeal result upholds the original disposition, the end date of study stated on the Certificate of Study shall be based on the date of the original disposition. Credits earned during the appeal period may be certified by applying for a Credit Certificate.

Chapter VI – Transfers of Department or Graduate Institute, Minors, and Double Majors

Article 46 After enrollment, students may apply for a transfer of department, transfer of graduate institute, or for the pursuit of a minor or a double major in accordance with the relevant regulations.

The regulations governing the pursuit of a minor and the regulations governing the pursuit of a double major shall be stipulated separately and filed with the Ministry of Education for record.

Chapter VII – Graduation and Academic Degrees

Article 47 Undergraduate students who meet all of the following requirements and have obtained approval upon review shall be awarded a bachelor's degree:

1. Completion of the prescribed study period, or approval for early graduation in accordance with the provisions of Article 37.

2. Completion of the required graduation credits; where an internship period is required, completion of such internship; and fulfillment of all graduation requirements, with relevant assessments passed.

Undergraduate students enrolled in a four-year industry–academia cooperative bachelor’s degree program approved by the Ministry of Education who, after completing two years of study and earning at least eighty credits, and where an internship period is required, have completed the internship and passed the required evaluations, and who apply for and are granted a leave of absence before entering employment, and whose employment is verified by the program as meeting the objectives of practical application and strengthening industry–academia collaboration, shall be awarded an associate degree.

Students who applied for leave of absence under the preceding paragraph and who return to the University before the expiration of the leave period and meet the requirements specified in Paragraph 1 shall be awarded a bachelor’s degree.

Article 48 Master’s students who meet all of the following requirements and have obtained approval upon review shall be awarded a master’s degree:

1. Completion of the required graduation credits and fulfillment of all graduation requirements.
2. Passing all examinations prescribed by the University's **Master’s and Doctoral Degree Thesis Defense Examination Regulations.**

Article 49 Doctoral students who meet all of the following requirements and have obtained approval upon review shall be awarded a doctoral degree:

1. Completion of the required graduation credits and fulfillment of all graduation requirements.
2. Passing the doctoral candidacy qualification examination and all examinations prescribed by the University's **Master’s and Doctoral Degree Thesis Defense Examination Regulations.**

The Doctoral Program Candidate Qualifying Examination Regulations shall be stipulated separately.

Article 50 Students enrolled in a teacher education program who have fulfilled the graduation requirements of their department or graduate institute but have not yet completed the required credits for the teacher education program and have not reached the maximum period of study may apply to the Teacher Education Center for permission to continue the teacher education program, or may withdraw from the teacher education program and apply to the Office of Academic Affairs for graduation.

Students admitted through the direct pursuit of a Ph.D. degree who fail to pass the doctoral degree examination within the prescribed study period shall have the conferral of their degree handled in accordance with the University’s Regulations for the Direct Pursuit of the Ph.D. Degree.

Article 51 The designation of degree names for each department, graduate institute, or degree program shall conform to international practices and trends and shall refer to the Ministry of Education’s Reference Handbook on Chinese and English Degree Titles. Degree names shall be determined based on the characteristics of each department, graduate institute, or degree program, including curriculum content, disciplinary field, and whether the program

is academically oriented or professionally oriented. Regulations governing Chinese and English degree titles, requirements for degree conferral, and matters relating to the issuance and notation of degree diplomas shall be implemented upon approval by the relevant departmental, graduate institute, or degree program meetings and the Academic Affairs Council.

Chapter VIII – Supplementary Provisions

- Article 52 When a student experiences a major disaster or other adversity as defined by the educational authorities, matters relating to the student’s entrance examination and eligibility, registration, payment of tuition and fees and course selection, requests for leave of absence, grades and credit waivers, requests for extended leave of absence, withdrawal from studies, resumption of studies, refunds of fees paid, time limits for completion of studies and graduation requirements will be handled in a flexible manner according to guidelines to be set out separately.
- Article 53 For male students enrolled in four-year undergraduate programs who were born in or after 2005 and who, as of January 1, 2024, resume conscription for active-duty military service, the guidelines for flexible academic arrangements for students performing compulsory military service shall be separately formulated by the University and filed with the Ministry of Education for record.
- Article 54 Matters not covered by the University’s General Academic Regulations shall be handled in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations.
- Article 55 The aforementioned Regulations shall go into effect after being approved by a meeting of the Academic Affairs Council, reported to the University Council, and filed with the Ministry of Education for future reference.

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