## NATIONAL SUN YAT-SEN UNIVERSITY

# Department of Biological Sciences Regulations of Master's Degree Examinations

(Applicable for Students Starting in School Year 102)

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- I. This set of regulations is issued based on the Ministry of the Education Degree Conferral Law and its enforcement rules, as well as "Academic Regulations" and "Enforcement Rules of Postgraduate Students Degree Examinations" of National Sun Yat-sen University (NSYSU).
- II. Relevant items during study periods:
  - A. Degree studying periods: one to four years in accordance with Academic Regulations of the university (periods of retainment of student status and suspensions not included).
  - B. Crediting and course criteria:
    - All course selections by students shall be approved by supervisors and the department chair.
    - After entering the program and before applying for degree examinations, students shall complete compulsory courses and the minimum credits (including waived and transferred credits) in accordance with regulations a minimum of 24 credits for a general master's program and 36 credits for an in-service master's program.

### C. Assignments of supervisors:

- 1. A new graduate student of the department shall select one full-time faculty member academically rank as an assistant professor or above in the respective group as the supervisor and report the selection to the institute office before the end of the first semester after entering the program. In principle, graduate students shall not engage in degree thesis research of other groups. Special inter-group situations shall be handled and determined by anonymous votes in department/institute general meetings, and group variation is permitted if two-third or more faculty members who attend the meetings approve.
- Full-time faculty members academically rank as assistant professors or above in the department shall serve as acting supervisors of new graduate students in their groups according to students' preference in the first semester.
- 3. In cases of graduate students having to change supervisors due to certain reasons, they may only do so once obtaining written agreements of original and new supervisors. The Graduate Student Advisory Committee shall review supervisor variation cases disapproved by original supervisors.

However, students may graduate only after they have been supervised by the new supervisors for at least two full semesters.

4. For graduate students who fail to select supervisors in accordance with above regulations, the Graduate Student Advisory Committee shall coordinate and arrange matters in regards of supervisor selection.

#### D. Others:

 In cases of students requiring faculty members from other departments to be co-supervisors, co-supervision shall be agreed by supervisors of the department.

## III. Master's degree examinations:

#### A. Degree examinations:

- 1. Examiners shall be nominated by supervisors in accordance with "Enforcement Rules of Postgraduate Students Degree Examinations" of the university, followed by approval of the department chair, who shall report to the president for authorization and appointment.
- Students who fail degree examinations and have not yet completed study periods may re-sit the exams in the next semester or the next school year. A student may only re-sit the exams once. Students who fail the re-sits will face withdrawals in accordance with regulations of the university.

#### B. Others:

- After entering the program and before applying for degree examinations, graduate students shall publish theses in academic conferences.
- A graduate student may only participate in degree examinations by recommendation of his/her supervisor after meeting thesis/article publication regulations.
- IV. Graduations: students who meet all requirements described above may apply for graduations.
- Matters unaddressed in the present regulations shall be discussed and determined in department general meetings.
- VI. The present regulations shall be implemented following approval of department and college meetings as well as the authorization of the president. The same procedure shall be carried out when amendments are to be made.

巴註解 [CC1]: 原文: 由指導教授依本校「研究生學位考試施行細則」之規定提名,經系主任同意後陳請校長核定聘任之。

並未說明提名何人選。譯者推定此處被提名人應為考試 委員。