

NCHU Department of Business Administration

Guidelines Governing Direct Admission into Doctoral Programs

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Article 1 These regulations were established according to Section 3 and 4, Article 23 and the university's regulations for direct enrollment in doctoral degree programs of university law.

Article 2 Students who wish to apply for direct admission into the doctoral programs shall fulfill one of the following requirements:

1. Undergraduate students who are about to graduate, have excellent grades, and are regarded as having strong graduate student potential.
2. Master's degree students who have excellent grades, and are regarded as having strong graduate student potential.

Article 3 Upon recommendation by at least two professors from the department and approval by the departmental affairs meeting and the president, a student may directly pursue a doctoral degree.

Article 4 The number of students who are granted direct admission into shall no exceed 40 % of the total number of doctoral students in the department. If the department's MOE-approved admission quota for the doctoral program is less than five students, the number of students allowed to directly pursue a doctoral degree will be limited to a maximum of two.

The number of students who are granted direct admission into the doctoral program shall be included in the total student enrollment quota approved by the Ministry of Education.

Article 5 The undergraduate students mentioned in the Section 1, Term 1 of Article 2 must complete their undergraduate study and receive their undergraduate degree in the same year when they are granted direct admission into doctoral programs. If the said students fail to receive a bachelor's degree before entering the doctoral program, the admission will then be revoked.

Article 6 Doctoral students who have completed all of the required courses and passed the PhD candidate qualification evaluation, but failed the degree examination, are granted a Master's Degree as long as the students' thesis is deemed to meet the master's thesis requirements by the thesis committee.

Article 7 Students who are granted direct admission into the doctoral program may ask to return to the department's master's program or be transferred to another department/graduate program/degree program to pursue a Master's Degree after being reviewed by the Departmental Affairs Meeting and approved by the president under the following circumstances:

- 1.The student has ceased pursuit of PhD Degree for compelling reasons.
- 2.The student has failed to pass the examination of PhD candidate qualification.

3.The student has failed to pass the PhD dissertation exam and has violated Article 6 of these regulations.

The said students shall be granted a Master's Degree once they complete all required courses and submit their thesis approved by the thesis committee.

Article 8 These regulations and any amendments hereto shall be approved in Departmental Affairs Meeting before taking effect.

※ In case of discrepancy between the Chinese version of terms & rules and its English translation, the Chinese version shall prevail.