

NATIONAL TAIWAN UNIVERSITY
International College
Master Program in Global Agriculture Technology and
Genomic Science
Regulations for Master's Degree Examination

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Article 1 National Taiwan University (NTU or “the University”) International College Master Program in Global Agriculture Technology and Genomic Science (“the Program”) formulates the *NTU International College Master Program in Global Agriculture Technology and Genomic Science Regulations for Master's Degree Examination* (“the Regulations”) to handle master's degree examination on the academic and professional practice theses for the Program's student and maintain the quality of the theses.

Article 2 Academic requirements for the Program are as follows:

1. The maximum period of study in the Program is four years.
2. Graduate students in the Program may complete their degree examination through either the academic track or the practical track.
3. Graduate students completing the degree examination through the academic track shall complete a minimum of 24 credits required for graduation and complete the following courses within the maximum period of study:
 - 1) required courses for 10 credits,
 - 2) elective courses for 14 credits,
 - 3) and academic ethics courses for a minimum of six hours.
4. Graduate students completing the degree examination through the practical track shall complete a minimum of 24 credits required for graduation and complete the following courses within the maximum period of study:
 - 1) required courses for 10 credits,
 - 2) elective courses for 10 credits,
 - 3) elective courses of “Field Internship 1” and “Field Internship 2” for 4 credits,
 - 4) and academic ethics courses for a minimum of six hours.
5. Graduate students may take additional courses not recognized within the Program and have them counted towards the total graduation credits, with

the approval of their advisor and the Program director. However, the recognized credits for these additional courses are capped at six credits.

6. Graduate students shall complete the “Thesis (M.S.)” course and apply for the master’s degree examination with the Program no later than the last semester of the maximum period of study.

Article 3 Graduate students in the Program shall complete their degree examination through either the academic track or the practical track in the following manner:

1. Academic track: Pass their Master’s thesis oral defense and submit their Master’s thesis.
2. Practical track: Complete the professional internship courses of “Field Internship 1” and “Field Internship 2,” pass their Master’s thesis defense, and submit their professional practice thesis.

Submission deadlines for Master’s theses in Subparagraphs of the preceding Paragraph shall be subject to the announcement by the University’s International College.

Article 4 Graduate students completing their degree examination through the practical track shall handle matters in accordance with the following requirements:

1. Graduate students shall submit their “Internship Proposal” by the end of the designated time period after admission. The proposal will undergo written review by the Program’s Curriculum Committee and the student’s advisor. Only students whose proposal is approved may proceed to complete the degree examination as stipulated in Subparagraph 2 of the preceding Article.
2. With consent of their advisor, graduate students whose proposal is approved as stipulated in the preceding Subparagraph may choose to complete their degree examination instead as stipulated in Subparagraph 1 of the preceding Article. However, the change in the degree examination tracks is limited to a single occurrence.
3. Graduate students shall earn a total of 4 credits by completing the elective courses of “Field Internship 1” and “Field Internship 2” offered by the Program’s faculty members and shall participate in professional internships at the same institutions or organizations when taking the courses, within the maximum period of study.
4. Upon completing a draft of their professional practice thesis, graduate students shall submit the draft to their advisor to confirm that the topic and content of their thesis align with the professional field of the Program.
5. Graduate students who are enrolled in or have completed “Field Internship 2” may apply for a thesis defense after obtaining consent from their advisor.
6. Graduate students shall submit their professional practice thesis upon completion of their thesis defense.
7. A master’s degree examination committee shall comprise:
 - 1) a graduate student’s advisor,

- 2) a person in charge of the service unit at the internship-offering institution or organization who assumes co-advisory responsibilities and meets the eligibility for degree examination committee members as stipulated in the *NTU Rules Governing Thesis/Dissertation Defense*,
- 3) and 1 to 3 faculty members of relevant fields, of whom at least one must be from outside the Program.

Article 5 The designated internship-offering institution or organization in Subparagraph 3 of the preceding Article shall be discussed over and co-determined by a graduate student and their advisor, and must meet the following requirements:

1. The person in charge of the service unit at the internship-offering institution or organization shall agree to co-advise the graduate student.
2. The person in charge of the service unit must meet the eligibility for degree examination committee members as stipulated in the *NTU Rules Governing Thesis/Dissertation Defense*.

Article 6 Matters not addressed herein shall be handled in accordance with the *NTU Rules Governing Thesis/Dissertation Defense* and other relevant regulations of the University.

Article 7 The Regulations shall be passed by the Program Affairs Committee and the College Affairs Meeting and then implemented on the date of promulgation.