

NATIONAL TAIWAN UNIVERSITY
International College
MS Program in Disaster Risk Reduction and Resilience
Guidelines for Theses or Dissertations Quality and Evaluation

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Article 1 National Taiwan University (NTU or “the University”) MS Program in Disaster Risk Reduction and Resilience (“the Program”) formulates the *NTU MS Program in Disaster Risk Reduction and Resilience Guidelines for Thesis or Dissertation Quality and Evaluation* (“the Guidelines”) in accordance with *NTU Regulations for Enhancing the Quality of Theses and Dissertations* to uphold the quality of theses and dissertations of the Program’s graduate students.

Article 2 The qualification of thesis advisors for graduate students in the Program shall comply with Article 69 of the *NTU Academic Regulations*.

Each full-time or jointly-appointed full-time faculty serves as an advisor based on the principle of no more than 15 new graduate students as advisees per academic year, with a total advising limit of 30 students.

If a faculty member of the Program needs to exceed the aforementioned limits, the matter shall be resolved through discussion and approval at the Program Committee meeting.

Article 3 Graduate students’ theses shall align with the specialized field of the Program and be confirmed by the Degree Examination Committee. Disputes regarding the alignment with the Program’s specialized field shall be handled in accordance with the *NTU Rules Governing Thesis/Dissertation Defense*.

Article 4 Graduate students of the Program must submit a finalized thesis to the originality comparison system of the University by excluding the introduction, references, table of contents, and appendices. They are required to submit a "Statement of Academic Ethics and Originality Comparison."

The similarity score from the originality comparison for the thesis must be below 15%.

Article 5 If the similarity score of a graduate student's thesis does not comply with the provisions of the preceding article, the student should submit a justification letter, which must be reviewed and signed by the thesis advisor. However, if the advisor has concerns, they may require the student to make appropriate revisions to the thesis and submit it to the originality comparison system of the University again.

Article 6 The Guidelines shall be passed by the Program Affairs Committee and College Affairs Meeting, implemented on the date of promulgation, and

submitted to the NTU Office of Academic Affairs for reference.