

Ming Chuan University Procedures for Students Direct Admission to the Doctoral Programs

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- Article 1 These procedures are established in accordance with Item 4 in Article 23 of the University Act and the Ministry of Education's *Guidelines Governing Direct Admissions into Doctoral Programs* and with Article 51-1 of Ming Chuan University General Provisions of Study.
- Article 2 Students who apply for direct admission to doctoral programs should meet one of the conditions below:
1. Undergraduate students with outstanding academic performance and good potential for research.
 2. Master's students with outstanding academic performance and good potential for research.
- The criteria for the aforementioned "outstanding academic performance and good potential for research" is set by each department, graduate school, school, or specialized degree program, which is dealt with separately.
- Article 3 Students who meet one of the conditions above must be recommended by two associate professors or professors from their original or related department, pass the relevant committee review held by the department, graduate school, school, or specialized degree program applied to and be approved by the president, prior being directly admitted to the doctoral program.
- Article 4 The quota for direct admission to each department, graduate school, school, or specialized degree program should not exceed 40 percent of the total quota for that current academic year's doctoral admission quota approved by the Ministry of Education.
- However, if the approved quota for a department is less than five (5) students, the maximum quota for direct admission to that doctoral program is two (2) students.
- The quota described above must include the total admission quota approved by the Ministry of Education for that academic year.
- Article 5 The undergraduate graduates stated in Item 1, Section 1 of Article 2, should receive their Bachelor's degree in the academic year that they are accepted for direct admission to the doctoral program. If they have not received their Bachelor's degree prior enrollment, they are disqualified for direct admission to the doctoral program.
- Article 6 Students who are admitted through the direct admission to the doctoral program under any one of the following conditions may apply to transfer back to their original or related department, graduate school, school, or specialized degree program to continue studying in that graduate program upon review by a relevant committee of the current department, graduate school,

school, or specialized degree program and that review being approved by the president.

1. Discontinue enrollment in the doctoral program due to some circumstances.
2. Do not pass the Doctoral Candidate Qualification Test.
3. Do not pass the Qualifying Examinations for doctoral degree and do not qualify under Article 7.

Students with any the above circumstances, upon being reviewed by a relevant meeting held by their original or related department, graduate school, school, or specialized degree program and having completed the requirements for a master's program of study, having submitted a thesis, and having passed an examination held by a Master's Qualifying Examination Committee, will be conferred a master's degree. The years studied in the doctoral program will not be calculated into the required period study for the master's program.

Article 7 Students who are admitted through direct admission to the doctoral program, upon completing required years of study, passing the Doctoral Candidate Qualification Test, yet not passing the Qualifying Examinations for a doctoral degree, and - upon evaluation by the Doctoral Qualifying Examination Committee - having their doctoral degree dissertation qualify as a master's thesis, will be conferred a master's degree.

Article 8 The procedures and criteria for direct admission to the doctoral program of each department, graduate school, school, or specialized degree program should be reported and passed at a meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee and be implemented after approval by the president.

Article 9 Upon being passed at the Academic Affairs Committee Meeting and approved by the president, these procedures were announced and implemented.

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