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Chapter 1. General Provisions

- Article 1. The Regulations are established in accordance with the University Act and the enforcement rules thereof, and Degree Conferral Act and the enforcement rules thereof.
- Article 2. All matters relating to student enrollment, transfer to other universities, maintenance of admission qualifications, payment, registration, course taking, inter-collegiate course taking, treatment of enrollment status during overseas studies and other related matters, summer courses, credits, grade

assessment, application for leave, absence from school (absenteeism), absence from examination (exclusion from examination), transfer to other departments, minors, double majors, suspension, fixed-term suspension of schooling, resumption of schooling, drop-out, master degree examination, study period, graduation and degree conferral shall be governed by the Regulations.

Chapter 2. Enrollment, Transfer to Other Universities and Maintenance of Admission Qualifications

Article 3. A candidate who has graduated from a public or a registered private senior high school or school of equal standing, or one who has attained equivalent qualification and been enrolled through open recruitment procedures, may be admitted to pursue a bachelor's degree in National Chi Nan University ("NCNU").

Article 4. A candidate who has graduated from a public or a registered private university or an independent college, or has attained a bachelor's degree from a foreign university or independent college recognized by the Ministry of Education, or has attained equivalent qualification and been enrolled through NCNU open recruitment procedure for the master program, may be admitted to pursue a master's degree in NCNU.

In addition to the general graduate students, NCNU master programs are also allowed to enroll in-service graduate students. The qualifications of an in-service graduate student shall be set forth by various departments (institutes/degree programs) separately.

Article 5. A candidate who has graduated from a public or a registered private university or an independent college, or has attained a master degree from a foreign university or independent college recognized by the Ministry of Education, or has attained equivalent qualification and been enrolled through NCNU open recruitment procedure for the Ph.D. program, may be admitted to pursue a Ph.D. degree in NCNU.

In addition to the general graduate students, NCNU Ph.D. programs are also allowed to enroll in-service graduate students. The qualifications of an in-service graduate student shall be set forth by various departments (institutes/degree programs) separately.

The fresh graduates of NCNU's bachelor's programs and master degree program students who attain outstanding grade assessment that meets specific conditions may apply for direct admission to the Ph.D. programs. The relevant operating regulations shall be adopted separately, and be implemented upon approval of the Academic Affairs Meeting and authorization by the NCNU President.

Article 5-1. Students admitted to NCNU master (Ph.D.) programs through qualifying examination master who satisfy the requirements of the relevant departments/institutes listed in the admissions application guide and already received the bachelor's (master) degree diploma at the time of

registration, or may receive the same prior to the beginning of the semester for which they wish to apply for the earlier admission, may apply for admission one semester early at the time of registration.

Master/Ph.D. program students who are granted the earlier admission referred to in the preceding paragraph shall apply the degree requirements as same as those applicable to the new students admitted in the same academic year in which they were assigned their student ID.

Article 6.

NCNU may accept admission applications from overseas Chinese students, students from Hong Kong and Macao, students from the mainland China and foreign students who are qualified for admission.

Admission of overseas Chinese students is governed by the requirements of University Entrance Committee For overseas compatriot Students or "Regulations Regarding Study and Counseling Assistance for overseas Chinese Students in Taiwan."

Admission of students from Hong Kong and Macao is governed by the requirements of University Entrance Committee For Overseas Chinese Students or "Act Governing Residents from Hong Kong and Macao Studying in Taiwan."

Admission of students from the mainland China is governed by the "Act Governing Mainland Residents Enrolled in Junior College and Above in Taiwan" and the related laws and regulations of Ministry of Education.

Where NCNU, through academic cooperation, works with any institute of higher education identified in the Ministry of Education's Approval List of Institutes of Higher Education in Mainland China to provide any degree program to the students in the mainland China at the same time, it shall adopt the regulations governing implementation of dual degree programs separately, which shall be published and implemented upon approval of Academic Affairs Meeting, and reported to the Ministry of Education for future reference.

The regulations governing implementation of dual degree programs referred to in the preceding paragraph shall contain the matters related to enrollment status, such as partner school or institution, study period, credit recognition or transfer, and degree conferral.

NCNU shall adopt the regulations governing admission of foreign students separately, which shall be implemented upon approval of Academic Affairs Meeting and authorization by the Ministry of Education.

Article 7.

NCNU shall hold entrance examinations to recruit students from other colleges or universities to fill up the vacancies, if any, in the quota of students for the bachelor's classes (bachelor's degree programs), other than freshmen and new graduates.

The vacancies referred to in the preceding paragraph shall not include any vacancy arising from maintenance of admission qualifications or suspension. The total number of students after the transfer student recruitment shall not exceed the initially authorized and application-based admitted number of students.

Any students who have completed more than one academic year of any university, or have graduated from any university and also completed their military service or are exempted from the obligation to perform regular military service, or graduated from a junior college or a vocational training program, or have attained equivalent qualification as junior college students, or have completed the required credits of the National Open University, after being admitted through NCNU's transfer student entrance examination, may be admitted to the equivalent grade in NCNU's bachelor's classes (bachelor's degree programs) to study for a bachelor's degree.

Article 7-1. Students who receive the admission qualification from another department (institute/degree program) of NCNU or any other domestic universities/colleges during their study period may register for the admission to the original department (institute/degree program), and the

> other department (institute/degree program) which they are admitted to, subject to approval of both departments (institutes/degree programs).

> Unless the application referred to in the preceding paragraph is found in conflict with the studies of the original department (institute/degree program) obviously and denied per the resolution by the department (institute) affairs (degree program) meeting based on given reasons, such application shall be approved by each department (institute/academic degree) of NCNU.

Article 8. NCNU's admission application operations shall be carried out prior to the beginning of each academic year. The regulations governing admission application shall be adopted in accordance with Article 24 of the University Act separately, and implemented upon approval of Academic Affairs Meeting and authorization by the Ministry of Education.

> The test paper or score records in NCNU's admission application operations shall be kept for one year after the admission list is announced.

> All of the admitted new students and transfer students shall complete the registration and admission procedures on the designated date, provided that they are allowed to defer the registration and admission due to sickness or any special incident, upon receipt of the approval for their prior application attached with the relevant documents (limited to the certificate of diagnosis issued by a public hospital or teaching hospital, in the case of sickness). Those who fail to apply for an extension or fail to complete the registration and admission procedures upon expiration of the extension granted to them, if any, shall be disqualified for the admission, except the new students who are allowed to retain their admission qualification upon request.

Article 10. Any new student who cannot complete the admission within the prescribed time limit due to compulsory military service, pregnancy, childbirth, raising of children less than 3 years old, enrollment to the "Youth Education and Employment Saving Accounts Program" of Ministry of Education, major illness or any other special incident may apply for

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maintenance of the admission qualification by submitting an application form and related certificates prior to start of the relevant semester, but doesn't need to pay any expenses after the application is approved.

Except students fulfilling the military service, who are allowed to maintain the admission qualification until three months upon registration of the military reserve service after being discharged from his statutory military service, those enrolling to the "Youth Education and Employment Saving Accounts Program" of Ministry of Education, who are allowed to maintain the admission qualification for no more three academic years, and those for pregnancy, childbirth or raising of children less than 3 years old, who are allowed to maintain the admission qualification subject to their needs, the other students are allowed to maintain the admission qualification for one academic year. Notwithstanding, those who are volunteer military officers or non-commissioned officers serving no more than two years are allowed to apply for maintenance of admission qualification for NCNY's master degree programs until the semester in which they have served for two years.

The application for maintenance of admission qualification may be filed no more than once. Those who are allowed to maintain their admission qualification shall apply for re-admission pursuant to the admission rules applicable to new students admitted in the academic year in which the maintenance of admission qualification is expired. Anyone of them who fails to do so pursuant to the rules shall be disqualified for admission.

Transfer students and recommended students are not allowed to apply for maintenance of admission qualification.

Article 11.

Students who are proven by the school or convicted for attending the entrance examination materially in violation of the examination room's order and test fairness, or are found providing the school with the admission certificates lent or misappropriated from others, forged or fabricated will be subject to the punishment for removal of their enrollment status. Meanwhile, all of the academic qualifications (including credits and enrollment status) already received by them in NCNU will not be recognized and no diploma or academic certificates will be conferred to them. If the same is proven or found only after the students graduate from NCNU, NCNU will cancel the students' diploma and publish cancelation of the students' graduation qualification.

Article 12.

The enrollment status information shall be kept permanently.

The enrollment status information referred to in the preceding paragraph includes student ID and student's name, gender, date of birth, registered address, ID No. or <u>resident visa</u> No., and nationality of a foreign student, residence of overseas Chinese students, identity at the time of admission, academic degree at the time of admission, year and month of admission, department (institute/degree program), suspension, readmission, transfer department (institution/degree program), minor, double major,

grade points of subjects, date and month of graduation and conferred degree (or dropout record), name of parent or guardian, and mailing address, etc..

The student's name and year & month of birth shall be subject to those specified on his/her ID card or <u>resident visa</u>. In the event of any inconsistence with those referred to in the admission qualification certificates, the student shall apply for correction with the school or agency issuing the certificates.

In the event of any change in the name, gender, year and month of birth, registered address and ID No. or resident visa No., the student shall apply for changing the enrollment status information with the Office of Academic Affairs by presenting the original copy and photocopy of his/her ID card, transcript of household registration certificate or resident visa.

Graduates whose enrollment status information is changed may apply the requirements referred to in the preceding paragraph. Changes in the information referred to in the diploma, if any, shall be marked in the diploma.

Chapter 3. Payment, enrollment and course selection

Article 13. NCNU adopts the academic year /semester system. Each academic year starts from August 1 of each year and ends on July 31 of next year. One academic year consists of two semesters. 1st semester starts from August 1 of each year until January 31 of next year. 2nd semester starts from February 1 until July 31 each year. A student's student ID for any semester is confirmed only after the student completes the registration required for the semester.

Students are required to pay all fees and complete all procedures within prescribed time limit. Those who fail to do so shall be held failing to complete the registration procedures.

New students (transfer students) shall submit the documents required by NCNU within prescribed time limit when applying for admission; otherwise, they shall be held failing to complete the registration procedures.

New students, transfer students or readmitted students who are draftees or reservists shall apply for deferred call and draft when applying for admission (readmission), in accordance with the relevant requirements of the Office of Student Affairs.

Article 14.

Students who fail to pay fees or submit documents as required within prescribed time limit due to special incidents shall file an application for deferred payment (submission) by submitting a report and certificates to the related unit for prior approval. Those who defer the payment (submission) without prior approval or fail to pay the fees or submit documents upon expiration of an extension granted to them shall be held failing to complete the registration procedures, unless their application for suspension, if any, is approved.

The payment of tuition and miscellaneous expenses may be deferred no more than two weeks after the school starts.

Article 15.

Undergraduate students are required to earn no less than 12 credits and no more than 25 credits in each semester for the first to the third academic years. However, under special circumstances, the department (degree program) chair may permit a student to add or reduce one or two courses in the current semester, and select at least one course in the fourth academic year.

Those in violation of the requirements referred to in the preceding paragraph shall apply for suspension and complete the deregistration procedures within prescribed time limit. If they fail to do so within the time limit or the deadline for their suspension is expired, they shall be held failing to select any courses.

Subject to prior approval of the department (degree program) chair, overseas Chinese and foreign undergraduate students with limited Chinese proficiency may select the Chinese preparatory courses, physical education, or any other subjects designated by the department (degree program) chair in the first semester or first academic year after they are admitted, free from the restrictions on the credits to be taken in the first academic year referred to in Paragraph 1.

The restrictions on credits to be taken by graduate students per semester shall be set forth by each department (institute, degree program) in its academic regulations.

Article 16.

Students shall select courses in accordance with the course selection guide applicable in the current semester. The course selection guide shall be implemented upon approval by the Academic Affairs Meeting.

Students must progressively take the compulsory credits based on the compulsory course chart provided by the department (institute/degree program), unless otherwise agreed by the department (institute/degree program).

Selection of courses other than those provided by the original department (institute/degree program), or higher-grade subjects shall be subject to prior approval of the course instructors.

The regulations governing selection of courses in any other domestic/foreign universities/colleges shall be adopted separately, subject to both schools' approval, and published and implemented upon approval by the Academic Affairs Meeting, and reported to the Ministry of Education for future reference.

Students who have studied in NCNU for more than one academic year may apply for studies as exchange students in another domestic university/college which has executed the cooperation agreement with NCNU for one semester or one academic year, subject to prior approval of the chairs of their departments (institutes/degree programs). The relevant operating regulations shall be adopted separately, and published and implemented upon approval by the Academic Affairs Meeting.

Article 17. Students shall not study two courses or more in the same lecture time slot; otherwise, all of the courses shall be counted as 0 points.

Except physical education, no credits will be earned for repeating of courses that are passed successfully, unless it is necessary to repeat the courses as a result of transfer to another department (institute/degree program), upon prior approval of the original department (institute/degree program) chair.

Article 18.

Students who do not take any full-year course in the first semester are not allowed to take the same in the second semester, but any courses other than full-year courses as recognized by the department (institute/degree program) chair are excluded. For a full-year course, a student's credits for the course taken and passed in the first semester shall be recognized even if the student does not complete the second semester of the course for any reason.

Subject to prior approval of the relevant course instructors and department (institute/degree program) chairs, students who fail any courses in the previous semester may continue to take the same courses and earn the credits in next semester if they pass the courses.

Article 19.

The add and drop shall be completed within prescribed time limit; any application thereof filed beyond the time limit will not be accepted.

Students who fail to complete the relevant procedures after adding courses shall be held never selecting the courses, and earning no credits for such courses. Students who fail to complete the relevant procedures after dropping courses shall be held never dropping the courses, and earning 0 points for the courses.

Chapter 4. Credits and grades

Article 20.

Undergraduate students of any department or degree program shall earn at least 128 credits in order to graduate, covering liberal and general education courses. The curriculum framework shall be adopted separately. Notwithstanding, various departments/degree programs may raise the credits if necessary, and implement the same upon approval by the Academic Affairs Meeting and also approval by the NCNU President.

The curriculum framework referred to in the preceding paragraph shall be researched by NCNU Curriculum Committee, and implemented upon approval by the Academic Affairs Meeting.

Graduates from foreign five-year senior high schools who study NCNU bachelor's degree programs based on the equivalent qualification shall earn the credits required for graduation referred to in Paragraph 1, plus at least 12 additional credits.

Master degree program students shall earn at least 24 credits in order to graduate, and Ph.D. program students shall earn at least 18 credits in order to graduate. Those admitted to pursue the Ph.D. degree directly shall earn at least 30 credits in order to graduate (including the credits required

for the Ph.D. program).

The credits required for graduation referred to in the preceding paragraph exclude theses/dissertations.

The credits required for graduation referred to herein shall be set forth by each department (institute, degree program) in its graduation rules.

Article 21. Students who have already passed required courses and earned credits prior to their admission (transfer) to NCNU may apply for credit transfer in accordance with NCNU regulations governing students' credit transfer. After that, if they satisfy the requirements for advancement of student classifications under said regulations, their student classifications may be advanced accordingly.

> The regulations governing credit transfer referred to in the preceding paragraph shall be published and implemented upon approval by the Academic Affairs Meeting, and reported to the Ministry of Education for future reference.

- Article 22. Courses are given 1 credit for every hour of lecture taught per week. No credits will be earned for practical training placements and internships. For practical training or laboratory courses earning credits shall be taught 1 to 3 hours per week for each credit.
- Article 23. Students' academic performance per semester shall be assessed in the following manners:
 - 1. In-class grades: May be marked by course instructors at any time.
 - 2. Mid-term examination: Held on designated dates within each semester.
 - 3. Final examination: Held on designated dates towards the end of each semester.
- Article 24. Students' academic performance per semester is assessed by the course instructors in accordance with the requirements referred to in the preceding article. After entering the academic performance integral into the academic performance registration form, the course instructors shall submit the form to the Registration Section of the Office of Academic Affairs for registration within two weeks after the final examination in accordance with NCNU Directions for Academic Grading, and the form shall be maintained permanently.

NCNU Directions for Academic Grading shall be adopted separately, and implemented upon approval by the Academic Affairs Committee and also approval by the NCNU President.

Article 25. Students' grades consist of academic performance and conduct evaluation scores.

> Academic performance uses the percentage scoring method, with a maximum score of 100. A passing grade of 60 applies to undergraduate students, and 70 for graduate students. No credits will be awarded to failed courses.

Graduate students must achieve a grade of 70 or higher in the degree examination in order to pass the master/Ph.D. courses. Credits and grades

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earned by the Ph.D. program students from master/bachelor's degree program courses or teacher education program courses are excluded from the semester and graduation grades.

Self-directed learning courses may not be graded, but may be assessed on a pass/fail basis. Credits earned for passed courses are only included into the total graduation credits, but excluded from the semester and graduation grades.

NCNU's operating directions for students' self-directed learning shall be implemented upon approval by the Academic Affairs Meeting and University Affairs Meeting.

Article 26.

Undergraduate students who fail any courses taken by them in a semester but are not subject to the punishment for drop-out may attend the summer courses, and may earn the same credits if they pass the courses.

The courses and grades in the summer courses shall be recorded in accordance with NCNU implementation regulations governing teaching in the summer courses.

Students who travel abroad during study period shall handle their coursework and enrollment status according to NCNU's regulations governing handling of coursework and enrollment status during students' traveling abroad.

Students who wish to study dual degree programs across borders during study period may study the dual degree programs at home and abroad only if they comply with the implementation governing the cross-border dual degree programs organized by NCNU together with foreign universities/colleges.

The implementation regulations and requirements referred to in Paragraph 2, Paragraph 3 and Paragraph 4 shall be published and implemented upon approval by the Academic Affairs Meeting, and reported to the Ministry of Education for future reference.

Article 27.

Students' academic performance cannot be changed once they are submitted to the Registration Section of the Office of Academic Affairs. The student may request for a change of grade if any error occurs in recording keeping or grade calculation. If the issue does not concern changes in the student's passing grades, the course instructor may issue a written proof of the error committed and present the case for deliberation and approval by the relevant department (institute/center) organizing the courses, and to the Registration Section of the Office of Academic Affairs for correction upon approval of the relevant dean and authorization of the Dean of Academic Affairs.

If the issue concerns changes in the student's passing grades, the course instructor may issue a written proof of the error committed and present the case for deliberation and approval by the relevant department (institute/center) organizing the courses, and subject to approval of the relevant dean and authorization of the Dean of Academic Affairs, the Office of Academic Affairs shall present the case to the Academic Affairs Meeting

for discussion. The correction may be made only upon approval of more than two-thirds of the members present at the Meeting. The course instructor shall attend the Academic Affairs Meeting.

For the cases about correction of the grades referred to in Paragraph 1 and Paragraph 2, related documents shall be submitted to the Office of Academic Affairs within one week after the class starts next semester.

Should students have any doubt about their personal semester academic performance, they shall apply the NCNU Directions for Academic Grading for resolution.

Article 28.

Students' GPA is calculated in the following manners:

- 1. Credits earned for the course studied by the students multiplying by the scores of the course to obtain the scores of the course.
- 2. The semester average grade is derived by dividing the total credits earned by the total scores of courses taken in the semester.
- 3. The student's GPA is derived by dividing the total credits earned in all semesters (including summer courses) by the total scores of courses taken in all semester (including summer courses).

The GPA of undergraduate students are their grades for graduation.

The average of GPA and degree examination grades of master and Ph.D. program students refers to their graduation grades.

All grades listed above are rounded to the second decimal place, if any.

Article 29.

If a student cannot attend important examinations due to sickness or special circumstances, NCNU's regulations governing leave of absence from important examinations and make-up examinations shall apply.

Said regulations shall be implemented upon approval of the Academic Affairs Meeting and authorization by the NCNU President.

The test papers and the original scoring data of students for each course in school shall be kept by the course instructor for one year, unless otherwise provided in the NCNU Directions for Academic Grading. The department/institute which organizes postgraduate qualification examination shall keep the qualification test papers until the students graduate or drop out.

Article 30.

Students who fail semester academic performance are not allowed to attend the make-up examination, but are required to retake required courses.

Article 31.

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Article 32.

Students who fail semester academic performance for two consecutive semesters and thereby cause the number of credits that they fail to reach a half of the total credits taken by them in the semester shall be dropped out. Notwithstanding, if the students suspend schooling between two semesters, the two semesters shall not be considered consecutive.

Students with special status, including overseas Chinese students, mainland Chinese students, foreign students, Mongolian and Tibetan students returning to Taiwan, aboriginal students, children of government officials residing in foreign countries or students qualifying as "outstanding"

athletic performers" as stipulated by the Ministry of Education, who fail semester academic performance for two consecutive semesters and thereby cause the number of credits that they fail to reach a half of the total credits taken by them in the semester shall drop out.

The requirements referred to in the preceding two paragraphs shall not apply to students with physical and mental disability and those who take less than 10 credits in total in the semester.

The number of credits for enrollment with elective courses of physical education or military training (nursing) shall be counted into the total number of credits referred to in the preceding three paragraphs.

The students with physical and mental disability referred to in Paragraph 3 shall be identified based on the disability identification handbook, or based on the assessment conducted by the committee of identification placement and consultation about the special needs children of any municipal or county (city) government, provided that the same shall take effective before the circumstances resulting the students' dropout arise.

Article 33. Undergraduate students who have yet to take or retake required credits that can only be taken in the second semester in their extended year before graduation may forgo enrollment for the first semester and apply for suspension instead. Students who enroll are required to select at least 1 course. Those in violation of the requirements shall apply for suspension and complete the deregistration procedures within prescribed time limit. If they fail to do so within the time limit or the deadline for their suspension is expired, they shall be held failing to select any courses.

Chapter 5. Leave of absence, absence from school (absenteeism) and absence from examination (exclusion from examination)

Article 34. Students are required to apply for leave of absence according to the Leave Policy if they are unable to attend courses with cause. Those whose application for leave of absence is approved shall be deemed absent from the school, unless they apply for the leave of absence for official business.

Article 35. Any absence in which leave has not been applied for or approved shall be regarded as absenteeism. Any absence from an examination in which leave has not been applied for or approved shall be regarded as exclusion from examination. The absenteeism for one hour shall be equivalent to absence from school for three hours. In the case of absence from an examination, the relevant examination shall be counted as 0 points. Students who are excluded from any final examination shall be graded 0 for the relevant course.

Article 36. Students whose leave of absence (absence from school) records for one course reach one-third of the total teaching hours for the course throughout the semester are not allowed to take the final exam for that course. Students whose leave of absence (absence from school) records within a single

semester reach one-third of the total teaching hours throughout the semester shall be ordered to apply for suspension. NCNU shall notify them to apply for suspension and deregistration within specific time limit. If they fail to do so or the two-year deadline for their suspension is expired, they shall be dropped out. Students whose records within a single semester reach one-third of the total teaching hours throughout the semester shall be dropped out.

The requirements referred to in the preceding paragraph shall not apply to those whose application for leave for personal affairs (sickness) or maternity leave pregnancy, childbirth or raising of children less than 3 years old is approved.

Chapter 6. Transfer to other departments, minor and double major

Article 37. Undergraduate students may submit the application for transfer to another department before the second academic year begins. Students who submit the application before the third academic year begins are allowed to transfer to a department (bachelor's degree program) in similar fields as third grade students or a department (bachelor's degree program) in different fields as second grade students. Students who submit the application before the fourth academic year begins, for special reasons, are allowed to transfer to a department (minor/bachelor's degree program) in similar fields as third grade students. The higher grade students who submit the application are allowed to transfer to a department (minor/bachelor's degree program) in similar fields as the adequate grade students subject to the courses taken by and credits earned by them.

Students are allowed to transfer to another department no more than twice, and may graduate only upon fulfillment of the graduation requirements set forth by the department (bachelor's degree program) which the students transfer into.

Students who apply for transfer to another group (bachelor's degree program) in the same department shall follow the regulations stipulated in the preceding two paragraphs.

Each department (bachelor's degree program) only accepts the application for transfer to another department filed by sophomore students or above, provided the quota of students who apply for transfer to another students at each grade as accepted shall not exceed 20% of the initially authorized and application-based admitted number of students at that grade of the department (bachelor's degree program).

Article 38.

Students applying for transfer to another department (bachelor's degree program) shall submit the application to the relevant department (bachelor's degree program) within the prescribed time limit. The application form shall be agreed by their parents or guardians, and the departments (bachelor's degree programs) and the departments (bachelor's degree programs) which they wish to transfer in, and then delivered to NCNU's

Department Transfer Review Committee via the Office of Academic Affairs, and published upon authorization of the NCNU President.

Students who study in NCNU for less than one academic year, extend their study periods, apply for suspension, and are subject to various admission requirements are not allowed to apply for transfer to another department.

The transfer to another department shall not be changed or revoked once it is published.

The NCNU regulations governing students' application for transfer to another department shall be adopted separately, and published and implemented upon approval by the Academic Affairs Meeting, and reported to the Ministry of Education for future reference.

Article 39.

The applications for transfer to another department filed by overseas Chinese students or students with visual impairment, hearing impairment, language disability and multiple disability who have received a disability identification handbook shall be handled in accordance with NCNU department transfer rules. If it is proven by the counseling unit that the students cannot continue studying in the original department (bachelor's degree program) as the department (bachelor's degree program) does not match their interest, or due to any other factors, their applications may be permitted upon approval of the relevant department (bachelor's degree program) chairs.

Article 40.

Postgraduate students who have completed the study period for one year, pass the GPA, and meet the requirements set forth by any department (institute/degree program) are allowed to apply for transfer to another department (institute/degree program) in accordance with NCNU regulations governing postgraduate students' application for transfer to another department (institute/degree program) and the relevant rules adopted by the relevant department (institute/degree program), provided that the application for transfer to another department (institute/degree program) may be filed no more than once, and the students may graduate only upon fulfillment of the graduation conditions set forth by the department (institute/degree program) which they apply for transfer in.

The NCNU regulations governing postgraduate students' application for transfer to another department (institute/degree program) shall be adopted separately, and published and implemented upon approval by the Academic Affairs Meeting, and reported to the Ministry of Education for future reference.

Article 41.

Undergraduate students are allowed to apply for study in another department (bachelor's degree program) as their minor from the second semester of the first year of their study period to the first semester of the highest year of their study period (excluding the extended study period). The undergraduate students may study in no more than two departments as their minor.

Students pursuing the master degree or Ph.D. degree may study in

another department (department, institute or degree program) at the same or lower grade as their minor, but no degree will be conferred for the minor separately.

Students studying in minor shall complete the graduation credits required by their major department, institute or degree program, and also the courses and credits required by the minor department, institute or degree program.

Undergraduate students may apply for study cross-school minor. The application shall be handled in accordance with the relevant regulations governing the exchange and cooperation between NCNU and the other schools.

Article 42.

Undergraduate students are allowed to apply for study in another department (bachelor's degree program) as their double major from the second semester of the first year of their study period to the first semester of the highest year of their study period (excluding the extended study period). The undergraduate students may study in no more than one department (bachelor's degree program) as their double major.

Postgraduate students are allowed to apply for study in another department (bachelor's degree program) of NCNU at the same grade and under the same system as their double major from the second semester to the fourth semester since they are admitted. The postgraduate students may study in only one department (institute/degree program) as their double major.

Students studying in double major shall complete the graduation credits required by their major department (institute/degree program), and also the courses and credits required by the double major department (institute/degree program). Meanwhile, the students may graduate only upon fulfillment of the graduation conditions set forth by the double major department (institute/degree program).

Undergraduate students may apply for study cross-school double major. The application shall be handled in accordance with the relevant regulations governing the exchange and cooperation between NCNU and the other schools.

Article 43.

The NCNU regulations governing students' application for study double major or minor hall be adopted separately, and published and implemented upon approval by the Academic Affairs Meeting, and reported to the Ministry of Education for future reference.

Chapter 7. Suspension, fixed-term suspension of schooling, readmission and drop-out

Article 44. Students who apply for suspension (withdrawal) shall submit the application form and related certificates, and the letter of agreement signed by their parents or guardians in the case of undergraduate students. Upon approval of the department (degree program) chair and countersignature of related units, and also approval of the Dean of Academic Affairs, the

certificate of suspension (course completion) will be issued to the students.

Students may be approved for suspension of one semester, one academic year or two academic years per application for suspension, counted from the semester in which the suspension takes place. The students are not allowed to apply for readmission during the semester. Notwithstanding, students are allowed to apply for the suspension for three academic years if they have enrolled in the "Youth Education and Employment Saving Accounts Program."

Students who wish to apply for suspension in the current semester in the middle of the semester shall file the application prior to the date of the final examination for the semester.

Unless otherwise provided herein, the suspension shall persist no longer than two academic years cumulatively. If it is necessary to apply for suspension again due to force majeure upon expiration of sad two-year period, the students may submit related certificates to the department (degree program) chair and dean for approval as a special case, and also have the same countersigned by the Office of Academic Affairs. An extension may be granted upon approval of the NCNU President.

The grades already established during the student's suspension will not be counted, except the grades for the postgraduate degree examination.

Students who shall perform the military service during the suspension may apply with NCNU for an extension of the suspension by submitting a photocopy of the conscription order. Upon completion of the military service, the students shall apply for readmission by submitting the discharge order.

The suspension period of students applying for suspension due to military service, pregnancy, childbirth and raising of children less than 3 years old, and enrollment to the "Youth Education and Employment Saving Accounts Program" will not be counted into the time limit of suspension prescribed in the preceding article, once their application is approved.

Upon expiration of the suspension, the students shall apply for readmission with the Office of Academic Affairs by submitting the certificate of suspension with prescribed time limit. Upon receipt of the approval of the application for readmission, the students shall be readmitted as the same grade in the original department (institute/degree program).

Students who fail to attend any final examination due to leave of absence with causes and need to apply for suspension in next semester may not file the application for suspension until they have attended the make-up examination.

Article 48. (Deleted)

e 49. A student shall be dropped out under any of the following circumstances:

- 1. Disqualified by NCNU for admission or inter-collegiate transfer.
- 2. Fail to register, or apply for readmission, upon expiration of the prescribed time limit.

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- 3. Receive a failing grade for personal conduct.
- 4. Fail to satisfy the graduation qualification upon expiration of their study period.
- 5. Register for admission in another department (institute/degree program) of NCNU or any other university/college at the same time, without prior approval from their own department (institute/degree program).
- 6. A Ph.D. program student fails to pass the "Ph.D. candidate qualification examination" as required, or a master program student of the department (institute/degree program) which sets forth the qualification examination fails to pass the qualification examination.
- 7. A postgraduate student fails to pass the degree examination or meet the re-take requirements, or still fails the re-take although he/she meets the re-take requirements, unless he/she satisfies the requirements in Paragraph 3 of Article 60.
- 8. Complete the registration but not select courses, unless the postgraduate student has completed the required courses.
- 9. Required to be dropped out pursuant to any other provisions herein or the academic affairs regulations adopted upon authorization of the Academic Regulations.
- 10. To be forced to withdraw from school per NCNU student reward & punishment regulations.
- 11. Apply for withdrawal voluntarily.

Article 50. A student who is forced to withdraw or undergo disciplinary dismissal may file an appeal according to NCNU Student Appeal Policy. Appeals shall not disrupt or stop any existing decisions made until results are ascertained. The student may continue to be educated in NCNU.

A student who receives punishment referred to in the preceding paragraph but not granted relief after bringing forth an internal appeal can proceed to file an appeal and administrative litigation. The original decision made on the student shall be repealed if it is ruled as illegal or inappropriate by the competent authority or an administrative court.

A student may be readmitted once NCNU renders another decision pursuant to the requirements referred to in Paragraph 2. If the student's readmission cannot be effected immediately due to special circumstances, the Office of Academic Affairs and the respective department (institute/degree program) shall assist the student to complete the readmission. An application can be filed to retrospectively treat the student's absence as a suspension until fully readmitted.

- Article 51. Students who undergo disciplinary dismissal, or are forced to withdraw due to failing grade for personal conduct can no longer be readmitted.
- Article 52. Students who are dropped out after having studied for more than one semester at NCNU and receiving credits therefor may apply with NCNU for the certificate of course completion upon completion of the

deregistration. Notwithstanding, under any of the following circumstances, no certificate related to the studies shall be issued:

- 1. Disqualified by NCNU for admission or inter-collegiate transfer.
- 2. If the student has undergone disciplinary dismissal.

Chapter 8. Postgraduate student degree examination

Article 53. The NCNU regulations governing postgraduate student degree examination shall be adopted separately, and published and implemented upon approval by the Academic Affairs Meeting, and reported to the Ministry of Education for future reference.

Chapter 9. Study period, graduation and degree conferral

Article 54. Undergraduate programs adopt the academic year/credit system and require students to earn a minimum number of credits over a typical length of 4 years. However, students may extend their study for 1 to 2 years, if needed, subject to the nature of the department (bachelor's degree program). They may also participate in internships as required by the curriculum of the department, which may last a half of year to 2 years.

The study period of a transfer student shall be no less than 3 years if the student transfers to 2nd grade, and no less than 2 years if he/she transfers to 3rd grade. However, in the case of transfer students who graduated (yet graduated) from university, the study period shall be no less than 1 year.

The study period of students transferring to another department shall follow the rules of the department which the students transfer in. In the case of the department requiring four-year study period, the study period shall be counted from the transfer-in grade. If it is the second grade, the students need to study for another three years. If it is the third grade, they need to study for another two years.

Undergraduate students with outstanding academic performance and have completed the required credits one semester or one academic year ahead of the maximum years of study shall be allowed to graduate early.

Undergraduate students who fail to complete the required credits within the prescribed study period can extend their study for one semester to two academic years, and no more than four academic years in the case of students with physical and mental disabilities. Those who cannot complete the required credits within the prescribed study period because of double majors can extend their study for one semester or one academic year. Graduates from foreign five-year senior high schools who study NCNU bachelor's degree programs based on the equivalent qualification who fail to complete the required credits within the extended study period due to the increase in graduation credits can extend their study for one semester or one academic year.

Undergraduate students who wish to extend their study period pursuant to the preceding paragraph shall submit the completed written confirmation for an extension of study period to the Registration Section of the Office of Academic Affairs before the first semester of the extended study period begins, at latest.

Article 55.

The students with outstanding academic performance referred to in the preceding article shall satisfy the following qualifications:

- 1. Average academic performance per semester attaining more than 80 points.
- 2. GPA ranking top 10% of all students in the same class of the same department.
- 3. Already successfully complete the department-designated requirements of internship.

Notwithstanding, any requirements of the department stricter than those referred to in the preceding paragraph shall apply.

Article 56.

Undergraduate students who have completed their required credits one semester or one academic year ahead of the prescribed study period but do not satisfy the conditions of early graduation shall still complete registration and course selection.

Article 57.

Postgraduate students' study period is 1 to 4 years for the master degree program, and 2 to 7 years for the Ph.D. program, provided that it may be extended no more than two years in the case of in-service graduate students.

The in-service graduate students referred to in the preceding paragraph shall be identified based on their identity at the time of admission.

Students who advance directly to Ph.D. programs shall follow the Ph.D. program study period referred to in Paragraph 1 since transfer to the Ph.D. programs. The length of study spent by them in the Ph.D. programs shall not be counted towards the maximum study period for the master degree program.

Students who meet any of the following circumstances are allowed to extend their study period:

- 1. Students with physical and mental disabilities who pursue master/Ph.D. degree may be allowed to extend their study period for two years upon application.
- 2. Students who have not completed their dissertation due to work, health or family members' sickness or injury may be allowed to extend their study period no more than one year upon application.
- 3. Students who are allowed by NCNU to continue their education abroad may be allowed to extend their study period no more than three years in total upon application.

Those applying for an extension of their study period shall submit related certificates to the department (degree program) chair and dean for approval and have the same countersigned by the Office of Academic Affairs. An extension may be allowed upon approval of the NCNU President.

Article 57-1. Students who apply for an extension of the study period due to pregnancy, childbirth or raising of children less than three years old may submit related certificates together with the application, and would be granted an extension once their application is approved, free from the restrictions imposed by Paragraph 1, Article 54 and Paragraph 1, Article 57 herein.

Article 58. Undergraduate students who satisfy the following requirements upon expiration of their study period are allowed to graduate:

- 1. Complete and pass the required courses and credits.
- 2. Pass the basic requirements for "foreign language proficiency".
- 3. Pass the personal conduct grade.
- 4. Already successfully complete the department-designated requirements of internship.

The basic requirements for "foreign language proficiency" referred to in the subparagraph 2 of the preceding paragraph shall follow the NCNU Implementation Directions for Basic Requirements for Graduation Foreign Language Proficiency of bachelor's Degree Students. The implementation directions shall be adopted separately, and implemented upon approval by the Academic Affairs Meeting and authorization by the NCNU President.

Article 59.

bachelor's program graduates will be conferred the bachelor's degree and diploma by NCNU.

Article 60.

Master program students will be conferred the master degree and diploma by NCNU upon expiration of their study period and passing of the Academic Research Ethics Education Course and also the degree examination as required.

Ph.D. program students will be conferred the Ph.D. degree and diploma by NCNU upon expiration of their study period and passing of the Academic Research Ethics Education Course and also the degree examination as required.

Students who have advanced directly to a Ph.D. program and completed their study period, passed the PhD candidate assessment but failed the degree examination may still be awarded a master's degree, if the Ph.D. thesis is rated by the Ph.D. exam committee to have satisfied the master's level.

The Academic Research Ethics Education Course referred to in Paragraph 1 and Paragraph 2 shall be governed by NCNU Implementation Directions for Academic Research Ethics Education Courses. The implementation directors shall be adopted separately, and implemented upon approval by the Academic Affairs Meeting and authorization by the NCNU President.

Article 61. NCNU confers the degree in January in the case of 1st semester, and June in the case of 2nd semester.

Postgraduate students who satisfy any of the following circumstances may be conferred the degree early in the month in which they complete the deregistration, free from the restrictions referred to in the preceding paragraph:

- 1. Already complete the required courses and credits, and not take any course and credit in the current semester in which they pass the degree examination.
- 2. Already satisfy the graduation qualification in the previous semester, but fail to complete the deregistration before the current semester begins.

Students who are conferred the degree early pursuant to the preceding paragraph shall still complete the registration and application for degree examination. The expenses already paid shall be processed in the same manner following the refund standards for suspension and drop-out. Upon confirmation of the graduation qualification and completion of the deregistration, the Office of Academic Affairs shall accept the application for early graduation and complete the production of the diploma within 15 working days as of the date of the application.

Students may not receive the diploma until they complete the deregistration.

If students' degree conferral involves plagiarism and corruption issues, the degree shall be revoked, the cancellation of the diploma already conferred to them shall be made public, and the concerned party shall be notified to return the diploma, once the issues are proven. Meanwhile, the revocation and cancellation shall be notified to any other universities/colleges and related authorities (agencies).

Chapter 10. Supplementary Provisions.

- Article 62. Each department (institute/degree program) shall adopt its graduation rules according to the Academic Regulations and any other related requirements of NCNU. The rules shall be implemented upon approval of the department (institute) affairs (degree program) meeting and the college affairs meeting of its college, and submitted to the Academic Affairs Meeting for future reference.
- Article 63. In order to help NCNU students who suffer an unexpected major disaster go through the disaster, the NCNU Guidelines for Maintenance of Interest and Right in Learning of Students Suffering Unexpected Major Disaster shall apply. The guidelines shall be adopted separately, and implemented upon approval of the Academic Affairs Meeting.
- Article 64. Any matters not covered herein shall be governed by the University Act and enforcement rules thereof, Degree Conferral Act and the enforcement rules thereof, or related requirements of Ministry of Education and NCNU.
- Article 65. The Academic Regulations shall be published and implemented upon approval by the Academic Affairs Meeting, and reported to the Ministry of Education for future reference.