

National Central University

Master's Program Regulations for Graduate Students in the Department of Philosophy

General :

Article 1: These regulations are established in accordance with the university's "Regulations for Degree Examinations for Graduate Students in Master's and Doctoral Programs."

Article 2: The purpose of the master's program in this department is to cultivate professional talents and humanistic capabilities in philosophy.

Admission :

Article 3: Students admitted through the university's public recruitment process are eligible to enroll in this program.

Article 4: The student enrollment quota, examination methods, examination subjects, and related regulations are published in the admissions brochure after approval by the departmental affairs meeting and the university admissions committee.

Course Requirements

Article 5: The period of study for students is limited to one to four years. Graduate students admitted as In-Service students who fail to complete their thesis within the prescribed period of study may apply for a one-year extension.

Article 6: Graduation requires 24 credits, including the compulsory "Thesis Writing" course. Non-departmental courses (excluding those jointly offered with the Department of Chinese Literature) can contribute up to 6 credits toward graduation, subject to approval by the supervising professor and the departmental affairs meeting. (This regulation applies retroactively to students enrolled from the academic year 100

onwards.)

Article 7: Students may enroll in a maximum of 10 credits per semester. In special circumstances, approval from the department head is required. Students may apply for credit exemption based on the "Graduate Course Credit Exemption Regulations" of the department, using courses from the master's program (including joint courses with master's and doctoral programs) for exemption.

Examinations and Degree Acquisition

Article 8: Master's degree:

-In the second academic year, students may submit a research proposal for the master's thesis, a letter of agreement from the supervising professor, and supporting evidence (a chapter of the thesis or relevant academic report) to apply for the master's qualification examination. Meeting these conditions upon review by the departmental office constitutes passing the master's qualification examination.

-After passing the university's language proficiency assessment, the department's master's qualification examination, and completing the required graduation credits (including within the same semester), students may apply for the master's degree examination.

- Master's Degree Examination: The department's master's degree examination is conducted through a thesis defense.

(1) Students may apply each semester, but in principle, they should submit their application to the departmental office by the 8th week of the first semester and the 10th week of the second semester, along with three completed copies of the thesis (with the cover labeled "For Thesis Defense

Use"), a completed "Degree Examination Application Form," transcripts from previous years, and a letter of recommendation from the supervising professor.

(2) After passing the departmental thesis defense, students must submit the revised and completed thesis (two hardbound copies and two softbound copies, including abstracts in both Chinese and English) to the departmental office before the designated deadline for degree application.

Article 9: Upon passing the departmental thesis defense and completing the necessary departure procedures, students will be awarded the master's degree.

Article 10: Any matters not covered by these regulations will be handled in accordance with relevant regulations of the Ministry of Education and the university.

Article 11: These regulations were approved by the departmental affairs meeting and implemented after being reported to and ratified by the academic affairs meeting. Amendments follow the same process.