

Implementing Regulations for the Doctoral Candidate Qualifying Examination in the Graduate Institute of Biotechnology, College of Bioresources and Agriculture, National Taiwan University

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Article 1

The implementing regulations for the doctoral candidate qualifying examination in the Graduate Institute of Biotechnology, College of Bioresources and Agriculture, National Taiwan University (hereinafter referred to as "these regulations") are established under the guidelines for the doctoral candidate qualifying examination at our university.

Article 2

The regulations include both written and oral examinations. Applicants must pass the written examination before applying for the oral examination. A passing grade requires a score of at least seventy in both the written and oral examinations, with an average score exceeding seventy.

Article 3

The written examination involves selecting four subjects related to the applicant's research field, with the advisor determining two subjects. The Institute Director appoints relevant professors to set the questions; the advisor cannot be the examiner. For the oral examination, the advisor designates a committee of at least three members with qualifications equivalent to or exceeding an assistant professor's doctoral degree. The advisor cannot be a member of the oral examination committee. If a committee member cannot attend, the examination may proceed with at least three members; otherwise, it should be rescheduled.

Article 4

The subject of the oral examination is the "Ph.D. Thesis Proposal." Applicants must submit the proposal for evaluation by the qualifying examination committee. The examination assesses the applicant's "foundational knowledge required for thesis research" and the "thesis research proposal." The committee deliberates and scores individually immediately after the oral examination. The applicant compiles the Q&A as an examination record. Only those who complete the examination procedure may submit the list of successful candidates to the university for review; others are considered unsuccessful.

Article 5

Application and examination dates for the examination follow the university's doctoral degree examination application schedule. Examinations are conducted once per semester, following application submission in the preceding semester.

Article 6

Candidates who fail the written or oral examination are eligible for a reexamination. Those who fail the oral examination must only retake the oral portion. If a candidate fails the reexamination, they shall be dismissed.

Article 7

The qualification examination must be passed before the end of the 8th semester of

enrollment. The semester concludes on January 31 and July 31 each year. Those who fail to pass must be dismissed by the institute, following the regulations stipulated in Article 6 of the "Implementation Guidelines for the Qualification Examination of Doctoral Degree Candidates at National Taiwan University."

Article 8

These regulations, approved by the Institute Meeting, are submitted for university review and shall be effective from publication date.