Regulations Governing Graduate Student Incentive Grants of National Taiwan University

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Article 1

These Regulations are established for educational purposes, to recognize and encourage outstanding performance among enrolled graduate students, to help them pursue their studies without financial worry, and to encourage graduate students to participate in the teaching and service activities of their respective departments/institutes, thereby enhancing graduate students' research competence and academic standards during the course of their studies. Funding for this program shall be drawn from the University's operating fund through its own budgetary allocation.

Article 2

This incentive grant is divided into two categories: stipend-type grants and employment-type teaching/research assistant allowances; graduate students may receive both concurrently. Within the grant quota allocated by the University, each department/institute may determine the distribution ratio, amount, number of recipients, and eligibility conditions for stipend-type grants and employment-type teaching/research assistant allowances.

Stipend-type grants are intended to reward academic excellence, assist students facing financial hardship, and subsidize individual research; they do not entail any service obligation and do not constitute compensation for labor.

Employment-type teaching/research assistants must participate in the teaching or service activities of the relevant department/institute, serving as teaching assistants, administrative assistants, or other part-time assistant roles.

Article 3

With respect to the “teaching” referred to in these Regulations, the college, after consultation and coordination with the relevant departments/institutes, may give priority consideration to courses that are jointly required by multiple departments/institutes of the University.

Independent graduate institutes shall provide graduate assistant resources to related departments as needed to support their course offerings, and shall specify, when applying for funding, the staffing provided in support of courses offered by the supported department.

Article 4

A graduate student who, during the course of study, has received a disciplinary sanction of a minor demerit (“xiao guo”) or above for violation of school regulations (where less than one year has elapsed since the month following the date the sanction became final) may not apply for or receive this incentive grant.

A graduate student who receives the incentive grant in violation of the preceding paragraph shall have the grant suspended and shall return any amount overpaid.

Article 5

Recipients of this incentive grant may concurrently receive other scholarships or grants. However, where a department/institute has established a cap on the total amount that may be received, such cap shall apply. Any amount received in excess of the cap shall be returned.

Article 6

The total amount of the annual graduate student incentive grant for each department/institute shall be allocated based on the number of graduate students with official student status as of October 15 of the preceding year. For a newly established department/institute or degree program, the calculation shall be based on the student enrollment quota approved by the Ministry of Education, with the allocation period calculated from August to December of that year.

The number of graduate students referred to in the preceding paragraph excludes students in continuing education divisions, in-service students, and students from Mainland China; each department/institute may adjust the calculated headcount in accordance with the attached correction table.

Each year, the Division of Student Life Counseling under the Office of Student Affairs shall, based on the budget allocated by the Office of General Affairs/Accounting Office and the number of eligible students for each department/institute as adjusted per the attached correction table, approve the total incentive grant amount for each department/institute. The ratio of the monthly incentive grant amount per recipient between master's and doctoral students shall be 3:4.

Article 7

Each department/institute shall, based on actual needs, disburse grants in advance, prior to the confirmation of its total grant quota for the current year, up to a limit of one-third of the total grant amount approved for the preceding year. Once the total grant quota for the department/institute for the current year has been confirmed, the department/institute shall itself adjust the amounts to be disbursed for the remaining months of that year within the confirmed total quota.

Article 8

Each year, in accordance with the operational schedule, the Division of Student Life Counseling under the Office of Student Affairs shall publicly announce the details of the incentive grant for that year, including the total quota, base amount, allocation and distribution among departments/institutes, and remaining balance information.

Article 9

Each department/institute shall enter into a labor contract with employment-type teaching/research assistants, clearly specifying the place of work, working hours, hours of work, duration of employment, job duties, wages, work rules, contract termination, and other related

rights and obligations.

Article 10

Each department/institute, in coordination with its college, shall, based on actual needs, invite student representatives to participate and establish its own implementing rules or regulations in a fair and reasonable manner, which shall be submitted to the Division of Student Life Counseling for recordation.

The implementing rules or regulations referred to in the preceding paragraph shall set out the rules and methods for disbursing the incentive grant, as well as the mechanisms for review and appeal.

The implementing rules or regulations referred to in paragraph 1 shall comply with the Ministry of Education's Principles for Strengthening the Protection of the Learning and Labor Rights of Part-Time Student Assistants in Colleges and Universities, the Ministry of Labor's Guiding Principles for the Protection of Labor Rights of Part-Time Assistants in Colleges and Universities, the University's Guidelines for the Protection of the Learning and Labor Rights of Student Part-Time Assistants, and other relevant labor laws and regulations.

Each department/institute shall conduct labor management and attendance management matters in accordance with the Labor Standards Act and other relevant labor laws and regulations.

Article 11

These Regulations shall take effect upon passage by the Administrative Meeting and promulgation.