

National Chung Hsing University

Department of Environmental Engineering

Regulations **for** the Doctoral Program

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1. Admission

The doctoral program entrance examination and application qualifications are conducted in accordance with the "**NCHU Doctoral Program Regulations**" and the "**National Chung Hsing University Rules on Enrollment of Student**."

2. Course Enrollment Regulations

Students must comply with the relevant provisions outlined in the "**NCHU Regulations on Course Registration**" and the "**NCHU Graduation Guidelines for Master's & Doctoral Degree Eligibility**" to meet graduation requirements.

3. Organization and Operation of Relevant Committees

1. Doctoral Candidacy **Evaluation** Committee

The committee operates in accordance with the following regulations:

- "**NCHU Guidelines for Doctoral Candidacy Evaluation**"
- "**Implementation Regulations for Doctoral Candidacy Evaluation of the Department of Environmental Engineering, National Chung Hsing University**"

2. Degree Examination Committee

The committee operates in accordance with the "**NCHU Implementation Guidelines for Doctoral Degree Examination**."

4. Degree Examination

1. **Candidacy Evaluation**:

The evaluation is conducted based on the following regulations:

- "NCHU Guidelines for Doctoral Candidacy Evaluation"
- "Implementation Regulations for Doctoral Candidacy Evaluation of the Department of Environmental Engineering, National Chung Hsing University"

2. Dissertation Defense:

- 1) The examination must comply with the following regulations:
 - "NCHU Doctoral Program Regulations"
 - "NCHU Implementation Guidelines for Doctoral Degree Examination"
- 2) Before applying for the dissertation defense, doctoral students must have at least two papers published in SCI-indexed journals, with at least one as the first author. The papers must be based on **the research of the doctoral dissertation**, and the advisor must be the corresponding author. These papers cannot be used for another person's degree application. At least one of the submitted papers must be officially published, while the other(s) may be supported by an acceptance letter. The journal must still be indexed in SCI at the time of acceptance. The published papers must **list** the affiliation of the Department of Environmental Engineering, National Chung Hsing University.
- 3) Before submitting the dissertation defense application, candidates must pass the **Doctoral Candidacy Evaluation** and deliver a public presentation during a seminar discussion. Additionally, they must present their research **as an oral English presentation** at **an academic conference** at least once.
- 4) Before applying for the dissertation defense, students must meet one of the following English proficiency requirements:
 - **TOEIC**: 700 points
 - **GEPT**: High-Intermediate Level (First Stage)
 - **TOEFL ITP**: 530 points
 - **TOEFL iBT**: 72-73 points
 - **TOEFL CBT**: 200 points
 - **English Score Core Skills Test (organized by the university)**: 400 points or above

5. Miscellaneous

Any matters not covered in these regulations shall be handled in accordance with the Ministry of Education and university regulations.

6. Implementation and Amendments

These regulations shall take effect upon approval by the **Department** Affairs Meeting and **the same shall apply to any amendments**.