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Chapter 1 General Provisions

Article 1 Graduate Schools and Other Basic Organizations Involved in Education and Research

The graduate schools and other basic organizations involved in education and research, established at the graduate level under Article 100 of the School Education Act (Act No. 26 of 1947) and the University of Tokyo Rules on Basic Organizations, are as follows.

(1) Graduate Schools Graduate School of Humanities and Sociology Graduate School of Education

Graduate Schools for Law and Politics Graduate School of Economics Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Graduate School of Science

Graduate School of Engineering Graduate School of Agricultural and Life Sciences
Graduate School of Medicine Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences

Graduate School of Mathematical Sciences Graduate School of Frontier Sciences

Graduate School of Information Science and Technology

(2) Other Basic Organizations in Educational Research

(a) Research Unit: Interfaculty Initiative in Information Studies

Joint Research Unit of Public Policy

(b) Education Unit: Graduate School of Interdisciplinary Information Studies

Graduate School of Public Policy

Article 1-2 Educational and Research Purposes

Graduate schools or education units (hereinafter referred to as the "graduate school(s)") shall set human resources development goals and other educational or research goals for each graduate school and major in the graduate school rules or education unit rules (hereinafter referred to as the "rules").

Article 2 Programs and Standard Program Duration

- 1. Master's, doctorate and professional degree programs (referring to a degree program at a professional graduate school under Article 99, paragraph 2 of the School Education Act; the same shall apply hereinafter) are established at the graduate level.
- 2. Doctorate programs (excluding doctorate programs in veterinary medical science, medicine or pharmacy) are divided into an initial two-year program and a subsequent three-year program. The initial two-year program shall be treated as a Master's program.
- 3. The initial two-year program provided for in the preceding paragraph shall be called the Master's program and the subsequent three-year program shall be called the doctorate program senior division.
- **4.** Notwithstanding the provision of paragraph 2, if required for the purposes of education or research, a doctorate program consisting only of the doctorate program senior division may be established.
- **5.** The standard duration of the Master's program shall be two years, and that of the doctorate program senior division shall be three years.
- **6.** The standard duration of a doctorate program in veterinary medical science, medicine or pharmacy shall be four years.
- 7. Pursuant to the provisions of each graduate school, if a student in a program as prescribed in paragraph 1 above requests that they be permitted to take courses and complete the program in a planned manner during a certain period that exceeds the standard duration of that program for reasons of employment or for other reasons, the graduate school may approve the request.

Article 3 Program Objectives

- 1. The purpose of the Master's program shall be to obtain a profound academic knowledge from a broad perspective, as well as to develop the ability to conduct research and apply knowledge in specialized fields. However, pursuant to the provisions of the rules, another purpose may be established to cultivate in students an exceptional ability to engage in professions where high levels of specialist knowledge are required.
- 2. The purpose of the doctorate program senior division and the doctorate program in veterinary medical science, medicine or pharmacy shall be to develop a high standard of research ability and cultivate a rich academic knowledge to be the foundation of the ability required for conducting unique and independent research in specialized fields. However, pursuant to the provisions of the rules, another purpose may be established to develop a high standard of research ability and cultivate a rich academic knowledge to be a foundation of such ability as required to engage in the highly specialized occupations.

Article 4 Departments

The departments at each graduate school are as follows.

Graduate School of Humanities and Sociology

General Culture Japanese Studies

Asian Studies European and American Studies Socio-cultural Studies Cultural Resources Studies

Korean Studies

Graduate School of Education

Educational Sciences Research and Development on School Excellence

Graduate Schools for Law and Politics

Legal and Political Studies Law

Graduate School of Economics

Economics Management

Graduate School of Arts and Sciences

Language and Information Sciences Interdisciplinary Cultural Studies

Area Studies

Advanced Social and International Studies General Systems Studies

Graduate School of Science

Physics Astronomy
Earth and Planetary Science Chemistry

Biological Sciences

Graduate School of Engineering

Civil Engineering Architecture

Urban Engineering Mechanical Engineering
Engineering Synthesis Precision Engineering
Systems Innovation Aeronautics and Astronautics

Electrical Engineering and Information Systems

Applied Physics Materials Engineering

Applied Chemistry Chemical System Engineering
Chemistry and Biotechnology Advanced Interdisciplinary Studies

Nuclear Engineering and Management Bioengineering

Technology Management for Innovation Nuclear Professional School

Graduate School of Agricultural and Life Sciences

Biotechnology Forest Science

Aquatic Bioscience Agriculture and Resource Economics

Biological and Environmental Engineering Biomaterials Science Global Agricultural Sciences Ecosystem Studies

Animal Resource Sciences Veterinary Medical Sciences

Graduate School of Medicine

Molecular and Cell Biology Functional Biology

Pathology, Immunology and Microbiology Radiology and Biomedical Engineering

Neurosciences Social Medicine

Internal Medicine Reproductive, Developmental and Aging Sciences

Surgical Sciences Health Sciences and Nursing

International Health Medical Sciences

School of Public Health

Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences
Pharmaceutical Sciences
Pharmacy

Graduate School of Mathematical Sciences

Graduate School of Frontier Sciences

Mathematical Sciences

Advanced Materials Science
Complexity Science and Engineering
Computational Biology and Medical Sciences
Ocean Technology, Policy and Environment
Human and Engineered Environmental Studies
International Studies

Advanced Energy
Integrated Biosciences
Natural Environmental Studies
Environment Systems
Socio-cultural Environmental Studies

Graduate School of Information Sciences

Computer Science Mathematical Informatics

Information Physics and Computing Information and Communication Engineering

Mechano-informatics Creative Informatics

Graduate School of Interdisciplinary Information Sciences Interdisciplinary Information Studies

Graduate School of Public Policy International Public Policy

Public Policy

Chapter 2 Requirements for Program Completion

Article 5 Requirements for Completing the Master's Program

- 1. In order to complete the Master's program, a student must have been enrolled at the Master's program for at least the number of years defined in Article 2, paragraph 5, have obtained at least 30 credits by taking courses including any required courses, have received sufficient research guidance, and have passed the screening of the Master's degree thesis and final examination. However, pursuant to the provisions of the graduate school rules, a student demonstrating excellent academic achievements may be permitted to graduate after one year of study as an exception.
- 2. In the case defined in the preceding paragraph, and when it is deemed appropriate for the purpose of that Master's program, the screening of research results for the specific topic may replace the screening of the Master's degree thesis pursuant to the provisions of the rules.

Article 6 Requirements for Completing Doctorate Program Senior Division

- 1. In order to complete the doctorate program senior division, a student must have been enrolled at the doctorate program for at least the number of years defined in Article 2, paragraph 5 (or two years in the case of students who have completed courses at the graduate law school as defined in Article 18, paragraph 1 of the Professional Graduate Schools Establishment Standard, Ordinance of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology No.16, 2003), have completed the required courses and obtained credits as required by the relevant graduate school, have received sufficient research guidance, and have passed the screening of the doctorate thesis and final examination.
- 2. Notwithstanding the provision of the preceding paragraph, with respect to the enrollment period, a student who demonstrates exceptional research achievements may be permitted to graduate after more years than those stipulated below as an exception pursuant to the provisions of the rules.
 - (1) One year for students who were enrolled in the Master's program or a professional

- degree program for more than two years and completed that program.
- (2) Three years including the enrollment period in a Master's program or a professional degree program for students who were enrolled in a Master's program or a professional degree program for at least one and less than two years and completed that program.
- 3. The completion requirements for students who are admitted to the doctorate program senior division in accordance with Article 16, paragraph 2, items 7 and 8 shall be as prescribed in paragraph 1 of this Article. However, with respect to the enrollment period, a student who demonstrates exceptional research achievements may be permitted to graduate after more than one year as an exception pursuant to the provisions of the rules.

Article 7 Completion Requirements for the doctorate Program in Veterinary Medical Science, Medicine or Pharmacy

In order to complete the doctorate program in veterinary medical science, medicine or pharmacy, a student must have been enrolled at the program for at least the number of years defined in Article 2, paragraph 6, have completed the courses and obtained credits as required by the relevant graduate school, have received sufficient research guidance, and have passed the screening of the doctorate thesis and final examination. However, with respect to the enrollment period, a student who demonstrates exceptional research achievements may be permitted to graduate after more than three years as an exception pursuant to the provisions of the graduate school rules.

Article 8

In the doctorate program senior division, a student who has left the program after being enrolled for more than three years (or four years in the case of the doctorate program in veterinary medical science, medicine or pharmacy), and after completing the required courses and obtaining sufficient credits and receiving sufficient research guidance may be qualified to have their degree thesis screened and to take the final examination following deliberations by the Education Council of the graduate school (hereinafter referred to as "the Education Council") and obtaining the permission of the dean of the relevant graduate school .

Article 8-2 Shortening of Enrollment Period

If the credits obtained by a student before entering the graduate school of the University of Tokyo (limited to credits obtained by the student after gaining the qualifications for admission pursuant the provisions of Article 102, paragraph 1 of the School Education Act) may be counted as credits obtained at a graduate school of the University of Tokyo and the student is deemed to have completed part of the curriculum for the Master's program or doctorate program (excluding doctorate program senior division) of the graduate school of the University of Tokyo by obtaining such credits. The graduate school may, taking into consideration the number of such credits, the period required to obtain the credits and other matters, deem that the student has been enrolled for a period prescribed by the graduate school not exceeding one year. However, in such a case, for the Master's program, the student shall be enrolled in the program for at least one year.

Chapter 3 Curriculum and Related Matters

Article 9 Curriculum

- **1.** The required courses and credits in each department, content of research guidance and requirements for completion shall be determined by each graduate school.
- 2. In addition to the preceding paragraph, if the graduate school considers it necessary from an educational standpoint, pursuant to the provisions of that graduate school rules, a student may be required to take a course in another department of the same graduate school as a minor.
- 3. In addition to paragraph 1, if the graduate school considers it necessary from an educational standpoint, upon discussion and pursuant to the provisions of that graduate school rules, a student may be required to take a course in another department of another graduate school as a minor.

Article 9-2

In addition to the previous article, it will be possible to complete as a 'Leading Programs for Doctoral Education' or 'World-leading Innovative Graduate Study Program', which shall be prescribed separately.

Article 9-3

- 1. In addition to the required courses stipulated in paragraph 1 of Article 9, common courses open to students of other graduate schools (hereinafter referred to as the "common courses") shall be conducted at a graduate level.
- 2. Pursuant to the provisions of each graduate school, the common courses may be counted as credit towards Master's programs, doctorate program senior division, doctorate programs in veterinary medical science, medicine or pharmacy, or professional degree programs.
- 3. In addition to the provisions of the preceding paragraph, the common courses shall be determined separately.

Article 9-4 Course Method

Regarding course method, the provisions of Article 15-2 of the University of Tokyo General Rules on College/Faculties shall apply mutatis mutandis.

Article 10 Special Auditing

- 1. If a student intends to take a course related to the student's major at a graduate level at another university in Japan or in the curriculum of the United Nations University established according to the United Nations General Assembly Resolution of December 11, 1972 detailed in Article 1, paragraph 2 of the 1976 Act on Special Measures Attendant Upon the Enforcement of the Agreement between the United Nations and Japan regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations University (Act No. 72 of 1976) (hereinafter referred to as "United Nations University"), the student may audit the course under an agreement between the host university and the University of Tokyo.
- 2. The number of credits and courses taken pursuant to the provision of the preceding paragraph may be counted as the equivalent number of courses and credits taken at a graduate level at the University of Tokyo, provided that the total number of credits so earned does not exceed 15 credits. The total number of credits taken during a Master's program or a doctorate program senior division shall not exceed 15 credits in total.
- 3. Permission for special auditing stipulated in paragraph 1 and the application process for approval of credits earned at another university as stipulated in the preceding paragraph shall be subject not only to the agreement between the other university and the University of Tokyo but shall also be subject to the requirements of the relevant graduate schools.

Article 10-2 Handling of Credits Obtained at Correspondence Courses Provided by a University Overseas

- 1. The provisions of paragraphs 1 and 3 of Article 16-2 of The University of Tokyo General Rules on College/Faculties shall apply mutatis mutandis regarding the handling credits obtained by the student taking correspondence courses provided by an overseas university while in Japan.
- The number of credits that may be deemed as the credits obtained pursuant to the preceding paragraph shall, together with credits obtained at the graduate school of the University of Tokyo pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 2 of the preceding article, not exceed 15 credits.

Article 10-3 Approval of Credits Earned Prior to Enrollment

1. Graduate schools may, when it deems educationally beneficial pursuant to provisions stipulated, take credits earned in subjects completed by the student prior to enrollment in the graduate school of the University of Tokyo either at this university's or other university's graduate schools (including credits earned as credited auditors as stipulated in Article 31 of the Standards for Establishment of Universities (Ordinance of the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture No. 28, 1956) applied mutatis mutandis in Article 15 of the Standards for

- Establishment of Graduate Schools (Ordinance of the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture No. 28, 1974)) as equivalent to credits earned by completing subjects at the graduate school of the University of Tokyo after enrollment.
- 2. The number of credits earned pursuant to the provision of the preceding paragraph shall not exceed 15 credits, and when combined with the number of credits earned at the graduate school of the University of Tokyo pursuant to provisions of Article 10, paragraph 2 and paragraph 1 of the preceding article, not exceed 20 credits in total, excluding cases where the student has transferred from another university.
- **3.** Application procedure for the approval of credits stipulated in the preceding paragraph is handled pursuant to the provisions of the graduate school.

Article 11 Academic Adviser

A student's academic adviser must be a specialist in the field of the student's major. However, with the approval of that academic adviser, a student may also receive research advice from another faculty member in the same graduate school or education unit, or from a faculty member in another graduate school or education unit.

Article 12 Research Advice Received at Other Graduate Schools or Research Institutes, etc.

- 1. If a graduate school deems that it would be beneficial to the student's education for a student to receive research guidance in part required for completion of the course at a graduate school or research institute, etc. of another university in Japan, the graduate school of the University of Tokyo may permit the student to receive such research guidance under an agreement with the graduate level, graduate school, or the research institute etc., of the other university at the discretion of the graduate school of the University of Tokyo.
- 2. The period for which a student is permitted to receive research guidance as prescribed in the preceding paragraph shall be as follows. However, if the graduate school deems that it would be beneficial to the student's education, this period may be extended for a maximum of one year (except with respect to the Master's program).

(1) Master's program:

One year or less

(2) Doctorate program senior division:

One year or less

(3) Doctorate program in veterinary medical science, medicine or pharmacy:

One year or less

3. The provisions in paragraph 1 and paragraph 2 above shall be applied *mutatis mutandis* if a student intends to receive research guidance at an overseas graduate school or research institution, etc. or in the curriculum of United Nations University.

Article 13 Special Provision on the Teaching Method

If the graduate school considers it necessary for educational purposes, at the discretion of the graduate school, education may be provided in a suitable method, such as courses or research guidance, at a time and for a duration other than the standard time or duration.

Chapter 4 Recognition of Program Completion and Assessment of Grades

Article 14 Recognition of Program Completion and Assessment of Grades

- 1. The dean of the graduate school shall confirm program completion following deliberations by the Education Council.
- **2.** The Education Council shall screen the Master's degree thesis and assess the grade of the final examination.
- 3. The Education Council shall screen the doctorate thesis and assess the grade of the final examination based on the report of the Screening Committee as stipulated in Article 7 of the University of Tokyo Rules on Academic Degrees.
- **4.** The mark and rank following the screening of the degree thesis and the examination grades shall be as follows. However, the examination results of the professional degree programs

shall be determined by the graduate school.

- (1) Examination
 - (a) A:pass
 - (b) B:pass
 - (c) C:pass
 - (d) F: fail
- (2) Screening of Thesis
- A. Master's program
 - (a) A: pass
 - (b) B: pass
 - (c) C: pass
 - (d) F: fail
- B. The doctorate program senior division and the doctorate program in veterinary medical science, medicine or pharmacy
 - (a) Pass
 - (b) Fail
- (3) Final examination
 - (a) Pass
 - (b) Fail
- **5.** The results of research in special topics as defined in Article 5, paragraph 2 shall be screened or assessed in accordance with paragraph 2 and the preceding paragraph.
- **6.** The grades for courses taken and credits earned at a graduate school of another university in Japan, abroad, or in the curriculum of United Nations University pursuant to the provision of Article 10, paragraph 1, Article 28 or Article 28-2 shall be assessed as pass or fail. However, this shall not preclude the University from providing detailed grades.

Chapter 5 Degree Conferral

Article 15 Degree Conferral

- 1. A Master's degree shall be conferred on students who have completed a Master's program, and a doctorate shall be conferred on students who have completed a doctorate program senior division or doctorate program in veterinary medical science, medicine or pharmacy.
- 2. The name of the major shall be specified on the degree.
- 3. The names of the majors described in the preceding paragraph shall be determined separately.

Chapter 6 Admission, Enrollment, Study Abroad, Leave of Absence, Resumption and Program Withdrawal

Article 16 Qualification for Admission to Graduate School

- **1.** Any persons who fall under any of the following items are eligible to enter the Master's program:
 - (1) Persons who have graduated from a Japanese university;
 - (2) Persons who have completed 16 years of school education abroad;
 - (3) Persons who have completed 16 years of school education of a school in a foreign country by taking correspondence courses provided by such foreign school in Japan;
 - Persons who have completed a program at an educational institution in Japan that is part of the school education system of a foreign country and has university programs of that foreign country, and that is separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (limited to persons who have completed 16 years of school education of the foreign country);
 - (5) Persons who have had bachelor's degree or its equivalent conferred from a foreign university or other foreign institutions of higher education (limited to those whose

comprehensive status of the education and research activities have been assessed by those certified by the government of the said foreign country or the related organizations, or those designated separately by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports Science and Technology to correspond as such) having completed a program with a completion period of three years or more (including completing correspondence courses provided by the said foreign institution in Japan, as well as completing a program at an educational institution specified in the previous paragraph found in the school education system of the said foreign country).

- (6) Persons who have completed a specialized program at a special training college in Japan separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology after the date determined by the Minister (limited to programs of at least four years that satisfy other standards determined by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology);
- (7) Persons designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, in accordance with the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture Notification No. 5 in 1953:
- (8) Pursuant to the provisions of the rules, persons who have enrolled at a university for at least three years and who are recognized by the graduate school as having completed with excellent grades the courses and credits that the graduate school designated as necessary to complete at the university in accordance with their major; (including those who are recognized as possessing academic abilities or qualities equal or superior to those of such persons based on the status of earning the said credits or other qualifications specified by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology as being equivalent thereto);
- (9) Pursuant to the provisions of each graduate school, persons who have completed 15 years of school education in a foreign country, or who have completed 15 years of school education of a school in a foreign country by taking correspondence courses provided by that foreign school in Japan, and who are recognized by the relevant graduate school as having obtained the necessary credits with excellent grades;
- (10) Pursuant to the provisions of each graduate school, persons who have completed a program at an educational institution in Japan that is part of the school education system of a foreign country and has university programs of that foreign country, and that is separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, and who are recognized by the relevant graduate school as having obtained the necessary credits with excellent grades (limited to persons who have completed 15 years of school education of that foreign country);
- (11) Persons on whom a bachelor's degree has been conferred in accordance with Article 104, paragraph 7of the School Education Act; and
- (12) Pursuant to the provisions of each graduate school, persons who are 22 years or older and are recognized by the graduate school, through individual screening of entrance qualifications, as having abilities that are at least equivalent to persons who graduated from a university.
- **2.** Any persons who fall under any of the following items are eligible to enter the doctorate program senior division:
 - (1) Persons who have obtained a Master's or professional degree;
 - (2) Persons on whom a degree equivalent to a Master's or a professional degree has been conferred in a foreign country;
 - (3) Persons who have completed correspondence courses provided in Japan by a foreign school and on whom a degree equivalent to a Master's or a professional degree was conferred;
 - (4) Persons who have completed a program at an educational institution in Japan that is part of the school education system of a foreign country and has graduate school courses of that foreign country, and that is separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, and on whom a degree equivalent to a Master's or a professional degree was conferred;

- (5) Persons who have completed a program at United Nations University and on whom a degree equivalent to a Master's degree was conferred;
- (6) Pursuant to the provisions of each graduate school, persons who have completed a foreign school, educational institution as specified in paragraph 4 above or the United Nations University and have passed the examination specified in the "Standards for Establishment of Graduate Schools (Ordinance of the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture No. 28, 1974) Article 16-2 and an equivalent screening, and recognized by the relevant graduate school as having abilities at least equivalent to those who have a Master's degree;
- (7) Pursuant to the provisions of the rules, persons who have graduated from a university and have been engaged in research at a university, research institute or other institution in Japan or abroad for at least two years and have been recognized by the graduate school as having abilities at least equivalent to persons who have a Master's degree or a professional degree as a result of the research;
- (8) Pursuant to the provisions of the rules, persons who have been engaged in research for at least two years at a university, research institute or other institution in Japan or abroad, after completing 16 years of school education in a foreign country or completing 16 years of school education of a foreign country by taking correspondence courses provided in Japan by a school of the foreign country and who have been recognized by the graduate school as having abilities at least equivalent to persons who have a Master's degree or professional degree as a result of the research; and
- (9) Pursuant to the provisions of each graduate school, persons who are 24 years or older and who are recognized by the graduate school, through individual screening of entrance qualifications, as having abilities that are at least equivalent to a holder of a Master's degree or professional degree.
- **3.** The following persons are eligible to enter the doctorate program in veterinary medicine, medicine or pharmacy:
 - (1) Persons who have graduated from a program in veterinary medical science or pharmacy requiring at least six years of study at a Japanese university;
 - (2) Persons who have graduated from a university program in medicine or dentistry at a Japanese university;
 - (3) Persons who have completed 18 years of school education in a foreign country (and the final program for which was veterinary medical science, medicine, pharmacy or dentistry);
 - (4) Persons who have completed 18 years of school education of a foreign country by taking correspondence courses provided in Japan by the foreign school (and the final program of which was veterinary medical science, medicine, pharmacy or dentistry);
 - (5) Persons who have completed a program at an educational institution in Japan that is part of the school education system of a foreign country and has university programs of such foreign country, and that is separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (limited to persons who have completed 18 years of school education of that foreign country and when the final program was veterinary medical science, medicine, pharmacy or dentistry);
 - (6) Persons who have had bachelor's degree or its equivalent conferred from a foreign university or other foreign institutions of higher education (limited to those whose comprehensive status of the education and research activities have been assessed by those certified by the government of the said foreign country or the related organizations, or those designated separately by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports Science and Technology to correspond as such) having completed a program with a completion period of five years or more (restricted to programs in veterinary medicine, medicine, pharmacy or dentistry) (including completing correspondence courses provided by the said foreign institution in Japan, as well as completing a program at an educational institution specified in the previous paragraph found in belonging to the school education system of the said foreign country).

- (7) Persons designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, in accordance with the Ministry of Education, Science and Culture Notification No. 39 in 1955:
- (8) Pursuant to the provisions of the graduate school rules, persons who have been enrolled at a university for at least four years and who are recognized by the graduate school as having earned the required credits with excellent grades (limited to programs in veterinary medicine, medicine, pharmacy or dentistry);
- (9) Pursuant to the provisions of each graduate school, persons who have completed 16 years of school education in a foreign country, or have completed 16 years of school education in a foreign country by taking correspondence courses provided in Japan by that foreign school, and who are recognized by the relevant graduate school as having earned the required credits with excellent grades (limited to programs in veterinary medicine, medicine, pharmacy or dentistry);
- (10) Pursuant to the provisions of each graduate school, persons who have completed a program at an educational institution in Japan that is part of the school education system of a foreign country and has courses of that foreign university, and that is separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, and who are recognized by the relevant graduate school as having earned the required credits with excellent grades (limited to persons who have completed 16 years of school education at the foreign school; programs shall include veterinary medicine, medicine, pharmacy or dentistry); and
- (11) Pursuant to the provisions of each graduate school, persons who are 24 years or older and who are recognized by the relevant graduate school, through individual screening of entrance qualifications, as having abilities at least equivalent to persons who have graduated from a university.

Article 17 Application for Admission

Persons who apply to a graduate level shall submit the designated application form with documents determined by the relevant graduate school.

Article 18 Entrance Examination

- **1.** Applicants are screened within the scope of the following procedures pursuant to the provisions of each graduate school.
 - (1) Written examination;
 - (2) Oral examination (including interview);
 - (3) Degree thesis or its equivalent:
 - (4) Academic achievement or occupational experience, etc.; and
 - (5) Research plan, etc.

Article 19 and Article 20

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Article 21 Selection for Admission

The selection of persons for admittance to a graduate school (level) shall be made by each graduate school.

Article 22 Readmission, Admission to Master's and Doctorate Program

Notwithstanding the provision of Article 18, paragraph 1, persons listed below may be permitted to enter the graduate school pursuant to the provisions of each graduate school:

- (1) Persons who discontinued their studies before graduating and apply for readmission to the graduate school;
- (2) Persons who obtained a Master's or professional degree from a graduate school of the University of Tokyo and wish to apply to enter another Master's or professional degree program; and
- (3) Persons who obtained a doctorate from a graduate school of the University of Tokyo and wish

to apply to enter another doctorate program senior division or doctorate program in veterinary medical science, medicine or pharmacy.

Article 23 Transfer from another University

If a student enrolled in a graduate level of another university applies for transfer to the graduate level of the University of Tokyo, they may be admitted pursuant to the provisions of the graduate school.

Article 24 Transfer to Another Graduate School

Any student who wishes to transfer from the graduate school in which the student is currently enrolled to another graduate school shall in general be treated as a new applicant. However, this shall not apply when there is a separate provision in the rules.

Article 25

Each graduate school shall determine the enrollment period and approval of credits for persons who are admitted pursuant to the provisions of the preceding three Articles.

Article 26 Entrance Period and Process

- 1. Students shall enter a graduate school at the beginning of an academic year. However, they may be permitted to enter at the beginning of a semester if required and the graduate school so permits.
- **2.** Persons who are permitted to enter the graduate school shall submit the required student registration form to the dean of the graduate school or the education unit by the 20th day of the month in which they entered.

Article 27 Maximum Period of Enrollment

- 1. The maximum period of enrollment is as follows:
 - (1) Master's program:
 - (2) Doctorate program senior division: five years
 - (3) Doctorate program in veterinary medical science, medicine or

pharmacy: six years

three years

- 2. The maximum period of enrollment for students who are permitted to undertake the planned study pursuant to the provision of Article 2, paragraph 7 shall be as follows:
 - (1) Master's program: four years(2) Doctorate program senior division: six years
 - (3) Doctorate program in veterinary medical science, medicine or

pharmacy: seven years

3. If a student reaches the maximum period of enrollment in the preceding two paragraphs, that student shall lose their status as a student.

Article 28 Study Abroad

- **1.** Articles 14-2 and 14-4 of the General Rules on Faculties shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to study at a graduate school of a foreign university.
- 2. The total number of credits that may be deemed as the credits earned under the provisions stated in the previous paragraph, shall be no more than 15 when combined with the number of credits earned at the graduate school of the University of Tokyo under the provisions of Article 10, paragraph 2 and Article 10-2, paragraph 1, and shall be no more than 20 when combined with the number of credits earned at the graduated school of the University of Tokyo under the provisions of Article 10, paragraph 2, Article 10-2, paragraph 1, and Article 10-3, paragraph 1.

Article 28-2 Handling of Credits Earned at a Graduate School of a Foreign University while taking Leave of Absence

1. Article 14-5, paragraphs 1 and 3 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* on the handling of credits earned

- at a graduate school of a foreign university while on leave of absence.
- 2. The total number of credits that may be deemed as the credits earned under the provisions stated in the previous paragraph, shall be no more than 15 when combined with the number of credits earned at the graduated school of the University of Tokyo under the provisions of Article 10, paragraph 2, Article 10-2, paragraph 1 and paragraph 1 of the preceding article, and shall be no more than 20 when combined with the number of credits earned at the graduated school of the University of Tokyo under the provisions of Article 10, paragraph 2, Article 10-2, paragraph 1, Article 10-3, paragraph 1, and paragraph 1 of the proceeding article.

Article 29 Leave of Absence

1. The period for leave of absence shall not exceed the following periods:

(1) Master's program: two years(2) Doctorate program senior division: three years

(3) Doctorate program in veterinary medical science, medicine pharmacy:

four years

- 2. Notwithstanding the provision of the preceding paragraph, if it is recognized that there are special grounds, the President may, upon application from the dean of the graduate school or the education unit, and upon discussion by the Education and Research Council, permit a leave of absence in excess of the number of years prescribed in each item of the preceding paragraph.
- **3.** In addition to the preceding two paragraphs, the General Rules on Faculties shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to leaves of absence and resumption of studies.

Article 30 Program Withdrawal

The General Rules on Faculties shall apply mutatis mutandis to program withdrawal.

Chapter 7 Special Auditors, Specially Registered Graduate Students, Special Research Students, Graduate Research Students and International Students

Article 31 Special Auditor

- 1. When a graduate student of another university in Japan intends to take courses relating to that student's major at a graduate level of the University of Tokyo for credit, they may be admitted as a special auditor under an agreement between the home university and the University of Tokyo.
- 2. The regulation in the preceding paragraph shall apply *mutatis mutandis* in cases where a graduate student in a foreign graduate school or a student in the curriculum of United Nations University intends to take courses relating to their major at a graduate level of the University of Tokyo for credit.
- **3.** Special auditors shall be granted the designated credits by the same process as graduate students of the University of Tokyo.
- **4.** If a special auditor violates the rules of the University of Tokyo, their permission to audit courses at the University of Tokyo may be withdrawn.

Article 31-2 Specially Registered Graduate Students

- 1. Persons who are not enrolled as graduate students of the University of Tokyo and who intend to take one or more courses at the graduate school of the University of Tokyo and obtain credits may be admitted pursuant to the provisions of each graduate school as specially registered graduate students.
- 2. Specially registered graduate students shall be admitted at the beginning of the semester.
- 3. If a specially registered graduate student violates the rules of the University of Tokyo, permission for that student to study at the University of Tokyo may be withdrawn.

Article 32 Special Research Students

- 1. If a graduate student of another university in Japan wishes to receive research guidance at a graduate level of the University of Tokyo, they may be admitted as a special research student on the basis of an agreement between the student's graduate school and the graduate school of the University of Tokyo and pursuant to the provisions of the graduate school.
- 2. The provisions of the preceding paragraph shall apply *mutatis mutandis* if a graduate student of a foreign university or a student in the curriculum of United Nations University wishes to receive research guidance at a graduate school (level) of the University of Tokyo.
- **3.** If a special research student violates the rules of the University of Tokyo, their permission to study at the University of Tokyo may be withdrawn.

Article 33 Graduate Research Students

- **1.** Persons who wish to research a particular topic at a graduate level of the University of Tokyo may be admitted as graduate research students.
- 2. Entrance requirements, etc. for graduate research students shall be determined separately.

Article 34 International Students

- 1. International students may be admitted separate to the normal student quota.
- 2. Entrance requirements for international students shall be determined separately.

Chapter 8 Examination, Admission, Tuition and Accommodation Fees

Article 35 Amount of Examination, Admission, Tuition and Accommodation Fees

- **1.** The amount of examination, admission, tuition and accommodation fees shall be determined separately.
- 2. Tuition fees for special auditors shall be the same as those for of auditors as provided for in the General Rules on Faculties, and tuition fees for special research students shall be the same as those of research students as stipulated in the General Rules on Faculties.
- 3. The amount of examination, admission and tuition fees for specially registered graduate students shall be the same as those of specially registered students as stipulated in the General Rules on Faculties.

Article 35-2 Exemption from Examination, Admission and Tuition Fees

- The University of Tokyo shall not collect examination or admission fees from students who
 enter the doctorate program senior division or doctorate program in veterinary medical science,
 medicine or pharmacy after completing a Master's program or professional degree program at
 a graduate school of the University.
- 2. The University of Tokyo shall not collect examination or admission fees from special auditors or special research students.
- **3.** The University of Tokyo shall not collect tuition fees from special auditors or special research students who fall under any of the following items:
 - (1) Graduate students of a national university; or
 - (2) Graduate students of a public or private university with which it has been determined through mutual agreement with the University of Tokyo that tuition fees shall not be collected.
- 4. If it is mutually determined in an agreement between a foreign university and the University of Tokyo that examination, admission and tuition fees (hereinafter referred to as the "tuitions") shall not be collected, the University of Tokyo shall not collect the tuitions from persons who are accepted based on such agreement.
- 5. The University of Tokyo shall not collect examination, admission and tuition fees from government-financed international students under the Guidelines for Implementation of Government-financed International Students Program (Minister of Education Ruling of March 31, 1954), including admission fees from government-financed international students selected through the recommendation method provided for in Article 4, paragraph 4 of the Guidelines.
- 6. The University of Tokyo shall not collect examination, admission and tuition fees from specially

registered graduate students when they are undergraduate students of the University of Tokyo.

Article 36 Payment of Examination Fee

- **1.** Persons who apply for admission or readmission shall pay the examination fee by the designated date.
- 2. The rules regarding payment of examination fee for specially registered students as stipulated in the General Rules on Faculties shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the payment of examination fees for specially registered graduate students.
- **3.** The General Rules on Faculties shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to exemption from the examination fee.

Article 37 Payment of Admission Fee

- 1. The General Rules on Faculties shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the payment, exemption, deferred payment and measures regarding delinquent payments of the student admission fee.
- 2. The rules regarding payment of admission fees for specially registered students as stipulated in the General Rules on Faculties shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the payment of admission fees for specially registered graduate students.

Article 38

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Article 39 Payment of Tuition Fees

- **1.** The General Rules on Faculties shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to payment, refund or deferment of, or exemption from, collection of the student tuition fees.
- 2. Provisions for tuition fees of auditors and research students stipulated in the General Rules on Faculties shall apply mutatis mutandis to the payment of tuition fees for special auditor and special research students. However, if a special research student is enrolled at the University of Tokyo for less than six months, an amount calculated by multiplying the monthly tuition fees by the number of months for which they have been enrolled shall be paid in the first month of the enrollment period.
- **3.** Provisions for payment of tuition fees of specially registered students as stipulated in the General Rules on Faculties shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the payment of tuition fees of specially registered graduate students.

Article 39-2

The tuition fees for students who have been dispatched based on agreement concluded between this University and a foreign university for the purpose of obtaining a degree at the reciprocal university, may be exempt from tuition fees for the relevant period, which shall be prescribed separately.

Article 40 Payment of Accommodation Fees

The General Rules on Faculties shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the payment and exemption from payment of the student accommodation fees.

Chapter 9 Academic Year, Semesters and Holidays

Article 41 Academic Year, Semesters and Holidays

- 1. The academic year starts on April 1 and ends on March 31 of the following year.
- 2. The academic year shall be divided into two or more /terms.
- 3. Two of the four terms referred to in the preceding paragraph will start on April and October, and the beginning dates as well as the end date of each terms will be determined separately.
- **4.** Notwithstanding the provision outlined in the preceding paragraph, terms that start in October, pursuant to a separate provision by the president, may start in September.
- 5. The General Rules on Faculties shall apply mutatis mutandis to holidays and extraordinary

holidays.

Chapter 10 Order of Expulsion from University, Disciplinary Action and Striking from the Rolls of Registry

Article 42 Order of Expulsion from University and Disciplinary Action

The General Rules on Faculties shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to an order of expulsion from university and disciplinary action.

Article 42-2 Striking from the Rolls of Registry

Persons who have had the conferring of their degree revoked as provided by Article 17 of the University of Tokyo Rules and Regulation on Academic Degree (excluding persons who have had degrees conferred on them as provided in Article 8 above) shall be struck from the Rolls of Registry. Furthermore, with regards to examination fees, admission fees, tuition fees etc. that have already been paid will no part will be reimbursed.

Chapter 11 Scholarships

Article 43 Scholarships

The General Rules on Faculties shall apply mutatis mutandis to scholarships.

Chapter 12 Miscellaneous Regulations

Article 44 Matters Relevant to Professional Degree Programs

Any necessary matters relevant to education in professional degree programs other than those stipulated in these Rules shall be determined separately.

Supplementary Provisions

- 1. These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2005.
- 2. With regard to students who entered a Master's program or the a doctorate program senior division in the Department of Superconductivity of the Graduate School of Engineering on or before March 31, 2005 and continue to be enrolled, the provisions then in force shall remain applicable.

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on June 24, 2005.

Supplementary Provisions

- 1. These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2006.
- 2. The University of Tokyo Rules on the Graduate School of Humanities and Sociology shall be partly revised as follows.

Article 23 "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 6)" shall be amended to read "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 7)."

3. The University of Tokyo Rules on the Graduate School of Education shall be partly revised as follows.

Article 16, paragraph 1 "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 6)" shall be amended to read "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 7)."

4. The University of Tokyo Rules on the Graduate Schools for Law and Politics shall be partly revised as follows.

Article 19, paragraph 1 "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 6)" shall be amended to read "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 7)." Article 45 "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 5)" shall be amended to read "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 7)."

The University of Tokyo Rules on the Graduate School of Economics shall be partly revised as follows.

Article 15, paragraph 1 "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 6)" shall be amended to read "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 7)."

6. The University of Tokyo Rules on the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences shall be partly revised as follows.

Article 19, paragraph 1 "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 6)" shall be amended to read "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 7)."

7. The University of Tokyo Rules on the Graduate School of Science shall be partly revised as follows.

Article 17, paragraph 1 "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 6)" shall be amended to read "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 7)."

8. The University of Tokyo Rules on the Graduate School of Engineering shall be partly revised as follows.

Article 16, paragraph 1 "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 6)" shall be amended to read "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 7)."

9. The University of Tokyo Rules on the Graduate School of Agricultural and Life Sciences shall be partly revised as follows.

Article 17, paragraph 1 "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 6)" shall be amended to read "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 7)."

10. The University of Tokyo Rules on the Graduate School of Medicine shall be partly revised as follows.

Article 2, paragraph 1 "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 6)" shall be amended to read "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 7)."

11. The University of Tokyo Rules on the Graduate School of Mathematical Sciences shall be partly revised as follows.

Article 18, paragraph 3 "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 6)" shall be amended to read "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1, item 7)."

12. The University of Tokyo Rules on the Graduate School of Frontier Sciences shall be partly revised as follows.

Article 18, paragraph 1 "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 6)" shall be amended to read "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 7)." Article 18, paragraph 2 "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16,

paragraph 1, items 7 and 8" shall be amended to read "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1, items 8 and 9."

13. The University of Tokyo Rules on the Graduate School of Information Science and Technology shall be partly revised as follows.

Article 16, paragraph 1 "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 6)" shall be amended to read "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 7)."

14. The University of Tokyo Rules on the Graduate School of Interdisciplinary Information Studies shall be partly revised as follows.

Article 17, paragraph 1 "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 6)" shall be amended to read "General Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item 7)."

15. The University of Tokyo Rules on the Graduate School of Public Policy shall be partly revised as follows.

Article 17, paragraph 2 the "University of Tokyo Rules of the Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1, item 6" shall be amended to read the "University of Tokyo Rules on Graduate Schools Article 16, paragraph 1, item 7."

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2007.

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on September 27, 2007, and the revised provisions of Article 35, paragraph 2, item 5 of the University of Tokyo Rules on Graduate Schools shall be applicable on April 1, 2007.

Supplementary Provisions Article 1 Effective Date

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2008.

Article 2 Transitional Measures for the Graduate School of Engineering

- 1. With regard to students who enrolled before March 31, 2008 in the Master's or doctorate program at the Department of Electrical Engineering, Department of Electronic Engineering, Department of Environmental and Ocean Engineering, Department of Quantum Engineering and Systems Science, or Department of Geosystem Engineering of the Graduate School of Engineering and continue to study at the department, the provisions then in force shall remain applicable.
- 2. With regard to graduate research students who enrolled before March 31, 2008 in the Department of Electrical Engineering, Department of Electronic Engineering, Department of Environmental and Ocean Engineering, Department of Quantum Engineering, or Department of Geosystem Engineering and continue to study at the department, the provision of preceding paragraph shall apply mutatis mutandis.

Article 3 Transitional Measures for the Graduate School of Frontier Sciences

With regard to students who entered before March 31, 2008 to the Master's or doctorate program of the Department of Frontier Informatics of the Graduate School of Frontier Sciences, and continue to study at the department, the provisions then in force shall remain applicable.

Supplementary Provisions

Article 1 Effective Date

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2009.

Article 2 Transitional Measures for the Graduate School of Engineering

- 1. With regard to students who entered a Master's program or doctorate program of the Department of Mechanical Engineering or Department of Engineering Synthesis of the Graduate School of Engineering and continue to be enrolled, the provisions then in force shall remain applicable.
- 2. With regard to graduate research students who entered the Department of Mechanical Engineering or the Department of Engineering Synthesis of the Graduate School of Engineering on or before March 31, 2009 and continue to study at the department, the provision of preceding paragraph shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

Supplementary Provisions

Article 1 Effective Date

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2010.

Article 2 Transitional Measures for Article 4 for the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences

With regard to students who entered the Department of Pharmaceutical Chemistry, Department of Pharmaceutical Biology, Department of Pharmaceutical Technology, and Department of Integrated Pharmaceutical Sciences on or before March 31, 2010 and remain enrolled at any of these departments, the provisions then in force shall remain applicable.

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on October 1, 2010.

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2011.

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on November 29, 2011

Supplementary Provisions Article 1 Effective Date

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2012

Article 2 Transitional Measures for Article 4 for the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences

With regard to students who entered the doctorate program senior division of the Department of Pharmaceutical Chemistry, Department of Pharmaceutical Biology, Department of Pharmaceutical Technology, or Department of Integrated Pharmaceutical Sciences of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences on or before March 31, 2012 and remain enrolled at any of these departments, the provisions then in force shall remain applicable.

Supplementary Provisions

1 These Rules shall come into force on June 28, 2012

2 Persons who have had the conferring of their degree revoked before the date of it coming into force, the University of Tokyo Rules on Graduate School after the revision will apply.

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on September 27, 2012

Supplementary Provisions

Article 1 Effective Date

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2014

Article 2 Transitional Measures for the Graduate School of Science

- 1 With regards to students who entered the Master's program or doctorate program senior division of the Department of Biophysics and Biochemistry or the Department of Biological Sciences of the Graduate School of Science on or before March 31, 2014 and remain enrolled in either of these departments, the provisions then in force shall remain applicable.
- **2** With regards to graduate research students who are enrolled in the Department of Biophysics and Biochemistry or the Department of Biological Sciences of the Graduate School of Science on or before March 31, 2014 and remain enrolled in either of these departments, the provisions then in force shall remain applicable.

Supplementary Provisions

Effective Date

1 These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2015

Transitional Measures

- **2** for the Academic Year 2015 only, it shall be possible to have the start of the term set as October regardless of Article 26 and Article 41, paragraph 3 of the revised Rules, should a graduate school so require it.
- **3** With regards to Article 37, Paragraph 1 which shall apply mutatis mutandis to the payment and deferred payment of admissions fees for October start students stipulated in the previous paragraph, the case for September start students shall apply.

Supplementary Provisions Article 1 Effective Date

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2015

Article 2 Transitional Measures for the Graduate School of Economics

- 1. With regards to persons who entered the Master's or doctorate program senior division of the Departments of Economic Theory, Studies of Contemporary Economy, Management Economic History or Finance on or before March 31, 2015 and remain enrolled, the provisions in force then shall remain applicable.
- 2. With regards to persons who entered the Departments of Economic Theory, Studies of Contemporary Economy, Management Economic History or Finance as graduate research students on or before March 31, 2015 and remain enrolled, the provisions in force then shall remain applicable.

Article 3 Transitional Measures for the Graduate School of Frontier Sciences

- 1. With regards to persons who entered the Master's or doctorate program senior division of the Departments of Medical Genome Sciences or Computational Biology on or before March 31, 2015 and remain enrolled, shall from April 1, 2015 be registered as students in the Master's or doctorate program senior division of the Department of Computational Biology and Medical Sciences.
- 2. With regards to persons who entered the Departments of Medical Genome Sciences or Computational Biology on as graduate research students on or before March 31, 2015, and remain enrolled, the provisions of the previous paragraph shall apply mutatis mutandis.

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2016.

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on June 23, 2016.

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on March 22, 2019.

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2019

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2020

Supplementary ProvisionsThese Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2021.

Supplementary ProvisionsThese Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2022 and shall be applicable from April 1, 2019.