The University of Tokyo Rules for the Graduate School of Education

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**Article 1  Purpose**

1. The purpose of these Rules is to stipulate matters prescribed in the University of Tokyo Rules on Graduate Schools (hereinafter referred to as the “Rules on Graduate Schools”) to be determined by each graduate school and matters that the Graduate School of Education at the University of Tokyo (hereinafter referred to as the “Graduate School”) deems necessary.

2. The examination committee of the Graduate School (hereinafter referred to as the “examination committee”) shall determine through deliberation the curriculum of, examinations at, admission to, and completion of the Graduate School other than those stipulated in these Rules.

**Article 1-2 Educational and Research Purpose**

1. The educational and research purpose of the Graduate School is to mold the ability to excel in analysis and research in fields such as the relationship between humans and education, the structure and function of education in society and the development and education of mind and body, as well as to develop human resources who contribute to the practice of education with a high quality of specialized knowledge and ability.

2. The purpose regarding development of human resources in each department and other educational and research purposes shall be prescribed separately.

**Article 2  Course Programs**

The majors and course programs set out in the Appended Table shall be established in the departments of the Graduate School.

**Article 2-2  Terms**
1. The academic year shall be divided into four terms.
2. The duration of each term shall be as prescribed separately in Article 41, paragraph 3 of the Rules on Graduate Schools.

**Article 3 Requirements for Completion**

1. The requirements for completion of the Master’s program shall be as prescribed in Article 5, paragraph 1 of the Rules on Graduate Schools.
2. The requirements for completion of the doctorate program senior division shall be as prescribed in Article 6, paragraph 1 of the Rules on Graduate Schools, and 20 credits or more of the required courses prescribed by the Graduate School must be taken.

**Article 4 Exceptional Provisions on Duration**

1. The Master’s program of the Graduate School may approve the exceptional provision set out in the proviso of Article 5, paragraph 1 of the Rules on Graduate Schools.
2. The doctorate program senior division of the Graduate School may approve the exceptional provision set out in Article 6, paragraph 2 and paragraph 3 of the Rules on Graduate Schools.
3. The details in the case of the preceding 2 paragraphs shall be prescribed separately.

**Article 4-2 Extended-term study system**

1. If a student wishes to study and complete the curriculum in a planned manner over a certain period of time in excess of the standard term of the curriculum, it may be approved based on Article 2 paragraph 7 of Rules on Graduate Schools after discussion by the examination committee.
2. In addition to the preceding paragraph, any matters necessary for the handling of extended-term students shall be prescribed separately.

**Article 5 Curriculum**

1. The courses and the number of credits of each department shall be as prescribed in Appended Table or otherwise determined by the examination committee.
2. The number of credits per course will be one credit consisting of 15 hours of a class.

**Article 6 Method of Completion**

1. In the Master’s program, students must take at least the required number of credits of the courses prescribed by the course programs in which they are enrolled in accordance with the guidance of an academic adviser.
2. Students may take courses of other course programs, other majors, other departments and other graduate schools, education units and faculties other than those stipulated in the preceding paragraph upon obtaining approval from an academic adviser, and count them as credits towards the Master’s program. However, the maximum number of credits obtained from faculties shall be six credits.

**Article 7**

1. In the doctorate program senior division, students must take at least 10 credits of the courses prescribed by the course programs in which they are enrolled in accordance with the guidance of an academic adviser.
2. Students may take courses of other course programs, other majors, other departments and other graduate schools, education units and School of Medicine of the Faculty of Medicine other than those stipulated in the preceding paragraph upon obtaining approval from an academic adviser, and count them as credits towards the doctorate program senior
3. Students who obtain 30 credits or more in the Master’s program may count up to 8 credits of the credits exceeding 30 credits as credits towards the docotorate program senior division upon deliberation by the examination committee.

**Article 8**
The courses and the number of credits earned at a graduate level of another university in Japan or abroad pursuant to the provisions of Article 10 or Article 28 of the Rules on Graduate Schools may be counted as courses and credits towards elective courses.

**Article 9   Research Advice at Other Graduate Levels or Research Institutes**
1. Research advice received at other graduate levels or research institutes, etc. set out in Article 12 of the Rules on Graduate Schools will be approved based on an application by the academic adviser upon discussion by the examination committee.
2. In addition to the preceding paragraph, any matters necessary to the research advice received at other graduate levels or a research institutes, etc. shall be prescribed separately.

**Article 10 Course Registration**
Students must determine the courses that they intend to take under the guidance of an academic adviser, and register for the courses in the designated form within the prescribed period.

**Article 11 Examinations**
1. The completion of courses and credits shall be verified through examinations, in principle.
2. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, academic staff may verify the completion of courses and credits through regular course records or short theses.
3. Examinations are held at the end of each academic year and semester. However, examinations may be held from time to time when necessary.
4. In addition to the preceding paragraph, an early examination or makeup examination may be taken if it is particularly necessary and after deliberation by the examination committee.

**Article 12 Thesis**
Students shall submit a thesis to the dean of the Graduate School within the designated period upon guidance from the academic adviser.

**Article 13 Final Examinations**
1. The final examination will be taken by oral examination by students who have obtained the required credits and submitted a thesis.
2. The date of final examinations shall be announced in advance.

**Article 14 Degree Conferral**
1. A Master of Arts in Education is conferred on the students who have satisfied the requirements for completing the Master’s program set out in Article 5, paragraph 1 of the Rules on Graduate Schools.
2. A Doctor of Philosophy is conferred on the students who have satisfied the requirements for completing the doctorate program senior division set out in Article 6 of the Rules on Graduate Schools.

**Article 15 Transfer to Another Department**
1. Students shall not be permitted to transfer departments, in principle. However, students who have been enrolled for at least one year and who have unavoidable circumstances
may be permitted to transfer departments at the beginning of an academic year upon discussion by the examination committee.

2. The program duration for students who transfer departments shall be determined upon discussion by the examination committee.

3. Credits obtained in the course program before such transfer by students who transfer departments may be included in the number of credits prescribed in Articles 6 and 7 upon approval by the examination committee.

Article 15-2 Change of Majors and Course Program
The provisions of the preceding Article shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the change of majors and course programs in which students have been enrolled within the same department.

Article 16 Qualification for Admission
1. Persons who are eligible to enter the Master’s program are as set out in Article 16, paragraph 1 (excluding item (8)) of the Rules on Graduate Schools.

2. Persons who are eligible to enter the doctorate program senior division shall be as set out in Article 16, paragraph 2 of the Rules on Graduate Schools.

3. In the case of the preceding paragraph, the provisions for qualification for admission as prescribed in Article 16, paragraph 2, items (7) and (8) of the Rules on Graduate Schools will apply, and the standards for certifying the requirements for such qualification shall be prescribed separately.

Article 17 Readmission
1. Persons who discontinue their studies in the Master’s program or the doctorate program senior division before graduating and apply for readmission to the Graduate School may only be permitted to be readmitted at the beginning of an academic year upon discussion by the examination committee only within two years after the withdrawal. However, any person who is considered as having special circumstances may be permitted to be readmitted upon discussion by the examination committee even after two years has passed since the withdrawal.

2. Persons who are readmitted shall be enrolled in the course programs in which they were enrolled before withdrawal.

3. The program duration for persons who are readmitted shall be determined upon discussion by the examination committee.

4. Credits obtained by person who are readmitted before withdrawal may be included in the number of credits as prescribed in Articles 6 and 7 upon discussion by the examination committee.

Article 18 Admission to Master’s Program
1. The screening of persons who have obtained a Master’s degree at a graduate level of the University of Tokyo and who apply for admission to another Master’s program is performed in the same manner as for persons who newly apply for admission to a Master’s program. However, in such case, the applicant may be exempt from a part of the entrance examination upon discussion by the examination committee.

2. The enrollment period for persons who are admitted to the Master’s program under the preceding paragraph may be one year upon discussion by the examination committee.

3. The credits that persons admitted to the Master’s program under paragraph 1 obtained at the department at which the person was enrolled may be counted towards the credits stipulated in Article 6 upon discussion by the examination committee.
Article 19 Admission to Doctorate Program Senior Division
1. The provision of Article 18, paragraph 1 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the screening of persons who have obtained a doctorate degree at a graduate level of the University of Tokyo and who then apply for admission to a doctorate program senior division.
2. The enrollment period for persons who are admitted to the doctorate program senior division under the preceding paragraph may be two years upon discussion by the examination committee.
3. The credits that persons admitted to the doctorate program senior division under paragraph 1 obtained at the department at which the person was enrolled may be counted towards the credits stipulated in Article 7 upon discussion by the examination committee.

Article 20 Minors System
1. Pursuant to Article 9, paragraph 3 of the Rules on Graduate Schools, the Graduate School has established a system that allows students who are not enrolled in the Graduate School to study subjects of the Department of Excellence of School Education (hereinafter referred to as the “minors system”).
2. The details in the case of the preceding paragraph shall be prescribed separately.

Article 21 Special Research Students
1. The acceptance of the special research students set out in Article 32 of the Rules on Graduate Schools shall be permitted upon discussion by the examination committee based on an application from the graduate level or graduate school of the University to which the student belongs.
2. In addition to the preceding paragraph, any matters necessary to the acceptance of the special research students shall be prescribed separately.

Article 22 Graduate Research Students
In addition to the provisions in the Rules on Graduate Schools and the University of Tokyo Rules on Graduate Research Students, the details of the handling of graduate research students shall be prescribed separately at the Graduate School.

Article 23 Specially Registered Graduate Students
1. The acceptance of the specially registered graduate students set out in Article 31-2 of the Rules on Graduate Schools shall be permitted upon discussion by the examination committee based on an application.
2. In addition to the preceding paragraph, any matters necessary to the acceptance of the specially registered graduate students shall be prescribed separately.

Supplementary Provisions
1. These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 1995.
2. The transitional measures in relation to the revision shall be prescribed separately.

Supplementary Provisions
1. These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 1996.
2. Persons who were admitted to the type 1 Master’s program or the type 1 doctorate program on or before March 31, 1996 and are still enrolled shall be enrolled in the Master’s program or the doctorate program senior division from April 1, 1996.

Supplementary Provisions (abstracts)
These Rules shall come into force on July 10, 2001, and the revised provisions of the University
of Tokyo Rules on Graduate Schools shall be applicable on April 1, 2001.

**Supplementary Provisions**
These Rules shall come into force on April 20, 2004.

**Supplementary Provisions**
These Rules shall come into force on July 5, 2004 and are applicable from April 1, 2004.

**Supplementary Provisions**
These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2005.

**Supplementary Provisions (abstracts)**
These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2005.

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**Supplementary Provisions**
These Rules shall come into force on December 8, 2009, and the revised Rules are applied from June 18, 2009.

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

**Supplementary Provisions**
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These Rules shall come into force on June 1, 2011.

**Supplementary Provisions**
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**Supplementary Provisions**
These Rules shall come into force on June 28, 2012.

**Supplementary Provisions**
1. These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2013.
2. Persons who were admitted to the Master’s program of the Department of Excellence of School Education on or before March 31, 2013 and are still enrolled, the provisions in force then shall remain applicable.

**Supplementary Provisions**
1. These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2014.
2. The transitional measures in relation to the revision shall be prescribed separately.

**Supplementary Provisions**
1. These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2015.
2. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 7, paragraph 3 of the revised Rules of the Graduate School of Education, for persons who entered the doctorate program before or on March 31, 2015 and are still enrolled, the provisions then in force shall remain applicable.

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

**Supplementary Provisions**
1. These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2020.
2. Notwithstanding the provisions in the Appended Table after revision, the provisions before the revision shall apply to students who are taking minors on or before March 31, 2020 and are continuing to study at the graduate school.