The University of Tokyo Rules for the Graduate School of Economics

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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 Economics at the University of Tokyo (hereinafter referred to as the “Graduate School”) deems necessary.
2. Both the examination committee of the Graduate School (hereinafter referred to as the “examination committee”) and each department shall determine upon discussion, 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 Purposes**
1. The educational and research purpose of the Graduate School is to develop researchers who engage in world-leading academic research in the various fields of economics and business administration based on the cultivation of broad and abundant academic knowledge, as well as to develop human resources capable of using their high-level expertise from a global perspective.
2. The purpose regarding development of human resources in each department and other educational and research purposes shall be prescribed separately.

**Article 1-3 Academic Program**
1. The International Program in Economics shall be implemented at the Graduate School.
2. Any matters necessary regarding the implementation and operation of the academic program of the preceding paragraph shall be prescribed separately.
Article 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  Curriculum
1. For courses, one credit will be conferred to 15 hours of instruction.
2. The name of, and the number of credits for, the courses shall be as prescribed in the Appended Table and otherwise determined through deliberation by the examination committee.
3. If a student requests that they be permitted to take courses and complete a program in a planned manner during a certain period that exceeds the standard duration of that program, the graduate school may approve the request following deliberations by the examination committee.

Article 4  Number of Credits and Method of Completion
1. In the Master’s program, students must take at least 30 credits and receive necessary academic advice.
2. Credits in the preceding paragraph may include up to four credits of faculty courses and eight credits of the courses of other graduate schools or education units.
3. Any student who has completed courses of the Graduate School that are specially designated as courses of the Faculty of Economics of the University of Tokyo and who has passed the examinations may, only if such student satisfies the number of credits required to graduate from the Faculty of Economics even after deducting the credits so obtained, count up to eight credits of such courses towards the credits under paragraph 1 upon discussion by the examination committee.
4. The maximum number of credits that may be counted towards the credits of the doctorate program of the Graduate School pursuant to the preceding 2 paragraphs shall be 12 credits in total. However, if the number of credits to be counted pursuant to Article 6 exceeds six credits, the number of credits that may be counted pursuant to the preceding 2 paragraphs shall be up to eight credits.
5. Students may not obtain more than eight credits of the courses established under Article 3, paragraph 2.

Article 5
1. In the doctorate program senior division, students must take at least 20 credits and receive necessary academic advice.
2. Credits in the preceding paragraph may include up to four credits of the courses of the Master’s programs, other graduate schools or education units.
3. A student who obtains 30 credits or more in the Master’s program may count four credits or less of the credits exceeding 30 credits towards the credits of the doctorate program senior division.
4. The provisions of Article 4, paragraph 5 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the doctorate program senior division.

Article 6
Students may count the credits obtained at any graduate level of another university in Japan or any graduate level of a university abroad as prescribed in Article 10 or Article 28 of the Rules on Graduate Schools towards the credits under Articles 4 and 5 up to 10 credits in total of the Master’s program and the doctorate program senior division upon discussion by the
Article 6-2 Receiving Research Guidance at other Graduate Schools or Research Institutions
1. Permission shall be granted for a student to receive research guidance at other graduate schools or research institutions as prescribed in Article 12 of the Rules on Graduate Schools following application from the supervising faculty and discussion by the examination committee.
2. Pursuant to the provision of the preceding paragraph, any other matters necessary relating to receiving research guidance at other graduate schools or research institutions shall be prescribed separately.

Article 7 Course Registration and Application for Examinations
If any student intends to take courses or to obtain credits for the courses completed, the student shall register for the courses within the designated period in the prescribed application form.

Article 8 Examinations
1. Regular examinations for concluded courses shall be held at the end of the semester or the academic year. However, a grade may be given based on regular academic records, a short thesis or other form of assessment without any examination.
2. In addition to the preceding paragraph, if it is necessary, a makeup examination may be given upon deliberation by the examination committee.

Article 9 Thesis
1. Students who intend to submit a thesis in the Master’s program must have been enrolled in the program for at least one year and obtained 16 credits or more, excluding students who are approved for the application of the exceptional provision set out in the proviso of Article 5, paragraph 1 of the Rules on Graduate Schools.
2. Students shall submit a thesis within the designated period.

Article 10
1. Students who intend to submit a thesis in the doctorate program senior division must have been enrolled in the program for at least two years and obtained 10 credits or more, excluding students who are approved for the application of the exceptional provision set out in Article 6, paragraph 2 of the Rules on Graduate Schools.
2. Students shall submit a thesis within the designated period.

Article 11 Final Examinations
1. The final examination will be taken by students who have obtained the required credits, received necessary academic advice and submitted a thesis.
2. The date and method of final examinations shall be announced in advance.

Article 12 Degree Conferral
A Master of Economics (for economics majors) or a Master of Management (for management majors) 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.

Article 13
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
Article 14 Transfer to another Department
1. Students who have been enrolled for at least one year and who have unavoidable circumstances may be permitted to transfer departments upon deliberation 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 4 and 5 upon discussion by the examination committee.

Article 15 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 16 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 program may only be permitted to be readmitted at the beginning of an academic year upon discussion by the examination committee.
2. Persons who are readmitted shall be enrolled in the departments 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 4 and 5 upon discussion by the examination committee.

Article 17 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 4 upon discussion by the examination committee.

Article 18 Admission to Doctorate Program Senior Division
1. The provision of Article 17, 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 5 upon discussion by the examination committee.

Article 18-2 Special Research Students
1. Permission shall be granted for the acceptance of a special research student as prescribed in Article 32 of the Rules on Graduate Schools following application from the student’s graduate school or research institute and upon discussion by the examination committee.

2. Pursuant to the provisions of the preceding paragraph, other matters necessary relating to the acceptance of a special research student shall be prescribed separately.

Article 19 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 20 Exceptions in Proviso of Article 5, Paragraph 1 and Article 6, Paragraph 2 of Rules on Graduate Schools
1. The exception in the proviso of Article 5, paragraph 1 of the Rules on Graduate Schools may apply to the Master’s program of the Graduate School.

2. The exception in Article 6, paragraph 2 of the Rules on Graduate Schools may apply to the doctorate program senior division of the Graduate School.

3. The detailed rules in the case of the preceding two paragraphs shall be prescribed separately.

Supplementary Provisions
1. These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 1993. However, the revised provision of Article 19 of the University of Tokyo Rules for the Graduate School of Economics shall be applicable to students who entered the Graduate School during or after 1994.

2. With regard to persons who were admitted to the Graduate School on or before March 31, 1993 and are still enrolled and persons who entered the 5-year program on April 1, 1993, the provisions in force then shall remain applicable.

3. The transitional measures in relation to the reorganization from the 5-year program to the 3-year program shall be separately prescribed upon discussion by the Committee, excluding measures stipulated in the Rules on Graduate Schools.

Supplementary Provisions
1. These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 1996.

2. With regard to persons who were admitted to the 5-year doctorate program on or before March 31, 1996 and are still enrolled, the provisions in force then shall remain applicable.

3. Persons who were admitted to the 2-year Master’s program or the 3-year 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 after April 1, 1996.

Supplementary Provisions
1. These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 1996.
2. The transitional measures in relation to the revision shall be prescribed separately.

**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 from April 1, 2001.

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

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

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1. These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2015.
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, 2016.
2. The transitional measures in relation to the revision shall be prescribed separately.

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

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