The University of Tokyo Rules for the Graduate School of Public Policy

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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 and the University of Tokyo Rules on Professional Degree Programs (hereinafter referred to as the “Rules on Professional Degree Program”) to be determined by the Graduate School of Public Policy at the University of Tokyo (hereinafter referred to as the “Graduate School”) and matters that the Graduate School deems necessary.
2. The educational committee of the Graduate School (hereinafter referred to as the “educational committee”) shall determine 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
The educational and research purpose of the Graduate School is to cultivate public policy practitioners to respond to the demands of the present age with the ability to discover the problems faced by modern society from an international perspective and envisage the policies and systems required to solve such problems.

Article 2 Course Programs
1. The following course programs are established in the professional degree program of the Graduate School. Students must be enrolled in one of the course programs.
   (1) Legal Policy Program
   (2) Public Management Program
   (3) International Public Policy Program
   (4) Economic Policy Program
   (5) International Program
   (6) Campus Asia Program
2. Students may, pursuant to the provisions separately prescribed, change course programs upon obtaining approval from the educational committee.

Article 3 Standard Program Duration
1. The standard program duration of the professional degree program at the Graduate
School shall be two years.

2. If a student requests that he or she be permitted to complete the educational component of a degree program structured so that the student completes the component during a certain period that exceeds the standard duration of that program set out in the preceding paragraph, the Graduate School may approve the request upon discussion by the educational committee.

Article 4 Requirements for Completion

1. In order to complete the professional degree program of the Graduate School, a student must have been enrolled for at least two years, and have obtained at least 46 credits by taking courses including any required courses.

2. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, with respect to the enrollment period, when the credits obtained before admission to the professional degree program of the Graduate School (limited to those acquired after the student met the qualifications for admission under the provision of Article 102, paragraph 1 of the School Education Act) are counted as the credits obtained in the professional degree program of the Graduate School pursuant to the provision of Article 10 and the educational committee approves the completion of part of the professional degree program of the Graduate School through the acquisition of such credits, the Graduate School may, taking into consideration the number of such credits, the period required for the completion and other factors, deem that the student has been enrolled in the professional degree program at the Graduate School for less than one year.

Article 5 Curriculum

The number of credits per course will be one credit consisting of a class for one hour per week and for a period of 15 weeks. However, the number of credits per practical course will be one credit consisting of a class for one hour per week and for a period of 30 weeks.

Article 6 Courses

1. The courses and number of credits are as set out in the Appended Table. However, the educational committee may determine otherwise.

2. The courses shall be categorized into the following courses.
   (1) Basic Courses (Law, Politics and Economics)
   (2) Topics Courses (Law, Politics and Economics)
   (3) Practical Training
   (4) Case Studies

3. The courses that must be taken for each course program in Article 2 shall be prescribed separately.

Article 7 Research Paper and Research Thesis

Students who submit a research paper and passed an examination or students who submit a research thesis and pass an examination may, pursuant to the provisions separately prescribed, obtain the requisite number of credits.

Article 8 Completion of Courses of another Graduate School, Education Unit or Faculty

Students who obtain approval from the dean of the Graduate School in advance and complete the courses of another graduate school or education unit or courses of any faculty may count up to eight credits in total thereof towards the number of credits required for completion of the professional degree program of the Graduate School.
Article 9  Completion of another Graduate Level Subjects
1. If the educational committee considers it necessary for educational purposes, the credits earned from courses at another graduate school in Japan that a student has completed may be considered credits obtained by completing courses in the professional degree program of the Graduate School within the number not exceeding a half of the number of credits set out as the requirements for completion in Article 4, paragraph 1.
2. The provisions in the preceding paragraph shall apply mutatis mutandis to study at a graduate level of a foreign country, credits earned at a graduate school overseas while taking a leave of absence or completion of correspondence courses provided by a foreign graduate school while residing in Japan.

Article 10  Approval of Credits Obtained before Admission
If a student so requires, credits obtained at another graduate level before admission to the Graduate School may be considered the credits for the courses in the professional degree program of the Graduate School upon discussion by the educational committee. However, the number of such credits, combined with the number of credits approved to be counted under Article 9, paragraphs 1 and 2, must not exceed half of the total number of credits set out in Article 4, paragraph 1 required for completion.

Article 11  Courses Registration
1. Students shall determine the courses to complete in the academic year and register for the courses in the prescribed form within the designated period.
2. Students shall not register for courses to the number of credits exceeding 38 credits during one year.

Article 12  Application for Examinations
If any student intends to attain credits for the courses completed, the student shall submit an application in the designated form within the prescribed period.

Article 13  Regular Examinations
Examinations for courses for which classes were completed shall be given at the end of the semester or the academic year. However, the grades may be assessed based on regular academic records, reports or other matters without examinations.

Article 14  Makeup Examinations
In addition to the regular examinations, if the educational committee considers it especially necessary, a makeup examination may be given.

Article 15  Assessment of Grades
The method of assessment of grades shall be as prescribed separately.

Article 16  Degree Conferral
A Master of Public Policy is conferred on the students who have satisfied the requirements for completion set out in Article 5 of the Rules on Professional Degree Program and these Rules.

Article 17  Qualification for Admission
1. Persons who are eligible to enter the professional degree program of the Graduate School shall be as set out in Article 16 of the Rules on Professional Degree Program. The screening procedures for applicants shall be as prescribed separately.
2. In the case of the preceding paragraph, the standards for certifying the requirements for
the qualification as prescribed in Article 16, paragraph 1, item (7) of the University of Tokyo Rules on Graduate School to which the Rules on Professional Degree Program apply mutatis mutandis shall be prescribed separately.

**Article 18  Readmission**
1. Persons who discontinue their studies in the professional degree program of the Graduate School 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 educational committee.
2. The program duration for persons who are readmitted shall be determined upon discussion by the educational committee.
3. Credits obtained by person who are readmitted before withdrawal may be included in the number of credits as prescribed in Article 6 through Article 8 upon approval by the educational committee.

**Article 19  Specially Registered Graduate Students**
1. The acceptance of the specially registered graduate students set out in Article 31-2 of the University of Tokyo Rules on Graduate School shall be permitted upon discussion by the educational 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.

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