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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 (hereinafter referred to as “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 examination committee of the Graduate School that is comprised of the examination committee of each department shall determine upon 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

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. The Graduate School will also cultivate high-level human resources who have advanced research capabilities, are able to set originative issues based on research and create and evaluate solutions by combining a wide range of expertise, and who can swiftly implement these solutions with a global perspective.

Article 1-3 Departments

The Department of Public Policy is a professional degree program at the Graduate School, and the Department of International Public Policy is a doctorate program at the Graduate School.

Article 1-4 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.

Chapter 2 Department of Public Policy

Article 2 Course Programs

1. The following course programs are established in the Department of Public Policy . Students must be enrolled in one of the course programs.
 - (1) Legal Policy
 - (2) Public Management
 - (3) International Public Policy
 - (4) Economic Policy
 - (5) International Program
2. Students may, pursuant to the provisions separately prescribed, change course programs after deliberation by the examination 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 they 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 examination 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 completion of part of the professional degree program of the Graduate School through the acquisition of such credits is approved by the Graduate School upon deliberation by the examination committee, 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 for 15 instruction hours. However, the number of credits for practical courses will be one credit for 30 instruction hours.

Article 6 Courses

1. The courses and number of credits are as set out in the Appended Table. However, the examination committee may determine otherwise upon deliberation.
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 head of the department 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 Graduate Level Subjects of another University

1. If the Graduate School considers it necessary for educational purposes and upon deliberation by the examination committee, the credits earned from courses at graduate school of another university 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 located in Japan.

Article 10 Approval of Credits Obtained before Admission

If a student so requires, credits obtained at the Graduate School or graduate school of another university 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 examination 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 semester.

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 it is especially necessary, a makeup examination may be given upon deliberation by the examination committee.

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

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 that applies *mutatis mutandis* to Article 16, paragraph 1 of the Rules on Graduate Schools (excluding item (8)). The screening procedures for applicants shall be as 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 examination committee.
2. The program duration for persons who are readmitted shall be determined upon discussion by the examination 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 deliberation by the examination committee.

Article 19 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.

Chapter 3 Department of International Public Policy

Article 20 Curriculum

1. With respect to the number of credits for a course, one credit will be conferred for 15 hours of a lecture course.
2. The courses and number of credits shall be as prescribed in the Appended Table. However, the examination committee may determine otherwise upon deliberation.
3. If a student requests that they 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, the Graduate School may

approve the request upon deliberation by the examination committee.

Article 21 Courses

1. The courses and number of credits shall be as prescribed in the Appended Table. However, the examination committee may determine otherwise upon deliberation.
2. The courses shall be categorized into the following courses
 - (1) Common research courses
 - (2) Specialized applied courses
 - (3) Practical courses
3. Courses that must be taken shall be prescribed separately.

Article 22 Number of Completion Credits and Method of Completion

1. Students must take ten credits from compulsory courses and ten or more credits from elective courses and must receive sufficient research guidance.
2. In the case that students have taken courses of the professional degree program of the Graduate School or courses of other graduate schools, upon obtaining the prior approval of their academic adviser, students may count a maximum of four credits from these courses towards the necessary number of credits to complete the doctorate program of the Graduate School.
3. Students who have obtained more than 46 credits in the professional degree program of the Graduate School, upon obtaining the approval of their academic adviser, may count a maximum of four of these surplus credits towards the necessary number of credits to complete the doctorate program of the Graduate School.

Article 23

The Graduate School may, if determined necessary for educational purposes, after deliberation by the examination committee, deem a maximum of six credits obtained by the student at a graduate school of another Japanese university or at a graduate school of another overseas university pursuant to Article 10, Article 28, or Article 28-2 of the Rules on Graduate Schools as credits obtained by taking courses at the doctorate program of the Graduate School.

Article 24

The Graduate School may, in the case of an application from a student, and after deliberation by the examination committee, deem a maximum of four credits obtained at the Graduate School or a graduate school of another university before the student entered the Graduate School pursuant to Article 10-3 of the Rules on Graduate Schools as credits obtained by taking courses at the doctorate program of the Graduate School.

Article 25

Credits accredited pursuant to the provisions in Article 22 paragraph 3, Article 23 or the preceding Article together must not exceed six credits.

Article 26 Research Advice Received at graduate school of other university or Research Institutes, etc.

The Graduate School may permit research advice received at a graduate school of another university or research institute pursuant to Article 12 of the Rules on Graduate Schools upon deliberation by the examination committee and based on application by an academic advisor.

Article 27 Course Registration

Students must determine the courses they will take with the relevant academic year and must register the courses in a predetermined format within the specified period.

Article 28 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 29 Regular Examinations

Examinations for courses for which classes have been completed shall be given at the end of the term or the academic year. However, this shall not preclude grading by general performance or reports without holding examinations.

Article 30 Makeup Examinations

In addition to regular examinations, in cases where it is particularly necessary, makeup examinations may be held after deliberation by the examination committee.

Article 31 Degree Thesis

Students who intend to submit a degree thesis shall do so within the specified period after receiving advice from their academic advisor. However, this provision shall not apply to a student to whom the exception prescribed in Article 6, paragraphs 2 and 3 of the Rules on Graduate Schools pursuant to Article 37 applies.

Article 32 Final Examination

1. The final examination will be held for students who have obtained the necessary credits and have submitted their degree thesis.
2. The Graduate School will inform students of the date and method for the final examination in advance.

Article 33 Degree Conferral

A doctorate in Public Policy shall be conferred to students who have satisfied the requirements for completion prescribed in Article 6 of the Rules on Graduate Schools.

Article 34 Qualification for Admission to Graduate School

1. Persons who can enroll in the doctoral program of the Graduate School are as prescribed in the items of Article 16, paragraph 2 of the Rules on Graduate Schools. Admission procedures shall be prescribed separately.
2. In the case of the preceding paragraph, the Graduate School will apply the provisions related to qualification for admission to the graduate school of Article 16, paragraph 2, items 7 and 8 of the Rules on Graduate Schools. The standards for certifying these requirements for qualification shall be prescribed separately.

Article 35 Readmission

1. Persons who discontinue their studies in the doctorate 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 examination committee.
2. The period of study for those who are readmitted shall be decided upon discussion by the examination committee.
3. Credits obtained by those who are readmitted before withdrawal may be included in the

credits as prescribed in Article 22 upon deliberation by the examination committee.

Article 36 Admission to the Doctorate Program

1. Regarding the selection of persons who obtained a doctorate from a graduate school of the University of Tokyo and wish to apply to enter the doctorate program of the Graduate School will be based on the example of those who newly apply for admission. However, in such a case, such persons may be exempted from part of the entrance examination upon deliberation by the examination committee.
2. For persons who enrolled under the provisions in the preceding paragraph, their period of enrollment may be set to two years upon deliberation by the examination committee.
3. Persons who enrolled under the provisions in paragraph 1, with the accreditation of their academic adviser, may include credits obtained previously in the doctoral course in the credits prescribed in Article 22.

Article 37 Special Provisions for Article 6 Paragraphs 2 and 3 of the Rules on Graduate Schools

1. The special provisions prescribed in Article 6, paragraphs 2 and 3 may be recognized.
2. In the case of the preceding paragraph, the details shall be prescribed separately.

Article 38 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 39 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 deliberation 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.

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2004.

Supplementary Provisions (Abstracts)

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

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on April 26, 2005.

Supplementary Provisions (Abstracts)

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2006.

Supplementary Provisions

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

Supplementary Provisions

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

Supplementary Provisions

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

Supplementary Provisions

1. These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2011.
2. The transitional measures associated with the revision shall be as prescribed separately.

Supplementary Provisions

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

Supplementary Provisions

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

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2012.

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2013.

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on October 1, 2013.

Supplementary Provisions

1. These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2014.
2. The transitional measures associated with the revision shall be as prescribed separately.

Supplementary Provisions

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

Supplementary Provisions (The University of Tokyo Rules No .31; February 16, 2016)

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

Supplementary Provisions (The University of Tokyo Rules No .49; March 3, 2016)

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

Supplementary Provisions

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

Supplementary Provisions (The University of Tokyo Rules No .50; February 21, 2017)

1. These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2017.
2. Notwithstanding the revisions of article 17, the provisions before revision shall apply to students who were recognized as having qualifications for admission before the day these Rules come into force.

Supplementary Provisions (The University of Tokyo Rules No .61; March 14, 2017)

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2017.

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2018.

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2019.

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on April 23, 2019.

Supplementary Provisions

These Rules shall come into force on April 1, 2020.

Supplementary Provisions (The University of Tokyo Rules No .54; March 16, 2021)

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

Supplementary Provisions (The University of Tokyo Rules No .97; March 26, 2021)

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