

National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University
Department of Transportation & Logistics Management
Regulations of Direct Admission to Doctoral Program

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Article 1. The regulations are stipulated in accordance with "National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University (NYCU) Regulations of Direct Admission to Doctoral Program from Master's Program." The objective is to encourage NYCU outstanding students to apply for admission to the direct doctoral program.

Article 2. The required qualifications to apply for direct admission to doctoral program in the Department of Transportation & Logistics Management are listed as follows:

1. Undergraduate students who will graduate in the current year (including those who apply to early graduation) that have evident research potential and meet one of the following criteria:

(1) Their overall average academic grade reaches A (85 out of 100 in scores) or above.

(2) They rank the top 10% or better in their classes in terms of academic performances.

(3) Their grades, evaluated by their departments (institutes, or programs), are deemed excellent.

2. Master's students may apply for admission to the direct doctoral program if they accomplish at least 18 credits of 6 courses in the two semesters of the first academic year, and their academic performance of each semester rank the top third among all master students, and they have submitted papers for journal publication.

Article 3. Students who apply for admission to the direct doctoral program should fill out the application form and attach the following documents:

1. Official transcripts for all semesters,

2. Official transcripts for the first academic year of master's program (master students only),

3. Two or more recommendation letters from assistant professors or faculty members of higher rank, and

4. Academic publication, thesis (if any), study plan, or related documents.

Article 4. Students applying for admission to the direct doctoral program should submit all required documents to the departmental office for review within prescribed time: first batch – April 15th (for the fall semester in September); second batch – January 20th (for the spring semester in February).

Article 5. The examination for the admission of the direct doctoral program consists of review of application documents and oral examination, both of which account for 50% of the final grade. Students are admitted to doctoral program from the next semester after passing the examination of Department of Transportation & Logistics Management and with their admission submitted to, and approved by, Ministry of Education.

Article 6. Students who are admitted to the direct doctoral program should fulfill the requirement of the regulations of " National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University Department of Transportation & Logistics Management Academic Regulations for Doctoral Program". Students who are admitted are not allowed to apply for delay of admission. Undergraduate students who apply for the direct doctoral program should obtain their bachelor's degree prior to the beginning of the doctoral program.

Article 7. Students in the direct doctoral program may apply for transfer back to master's program where the students were studying or related master's programs by the end of a semester under one of the following conditions:

1. Discontinue doctoral program due to specified circumstances
2. Fail the qualification examination
3. Fail the degree defense

The application of transfer should be approved by the direct doctoral program, the academic committee from the original master's program that the students were studying, and the President of NYCU.

Article 8. If the students in the direct doctoral program did not pass the degree defense but have completed all other requirement for the doctoral program, a master's degree can be conferred on them if their dissertations are qualified for a master thesis after the review and approval from their doctoral degree defense committee.

Article 9. Students transferred back to or into the master's program are not allowed to apply for the direct doctoral program again.

Article 10. Students in the direct doctoral program may be conferred a master's degree if they complete all the requirements for a master's degree, submit and deposit a thesis, and pass the degree examination, upon approval from the academic committee of the master's program (for master-to-direct-doctoral-program students, it will be the committee from the original master's program where the students are from; for undergraduate-to-direct-doctoral-program students, it will be the committee from a master's program in the relevant field). The time spent for studying the direct doctoral program and the suspension period do not count towards the limit of the study term for the master's program.

Article 11. Other regulations related to current undergraduate students' or master students' direct admission to doctoral program are performed according to regulations of Ministry of Education and NCTU.

Article 12. The Regulations and their adjustments will be implemented after being passed at the Committee of Institute Affairs. The same procedure will be applied if the regulation is adjusted.