

General Regulations of Graduate Schools/Faculties of Kyushu University

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Chapter I General Provisions

(Purpose)

Article 1 These Regulations shall provide for the duration of study, educational methods, admission, withdrawal, completion of study, and other matters necessary for schooling of students of graduate schools, pursuant to the provisions of Article 6, paragraph (8) of the Regulations of Kyushu University (Kyushu University Regulation No. 1 of 2004).

(Duration of Study)

Article 2 (1) The standard duration of study in a doctoral program (excluding the doctoral programs at the Department of Medical Sciences of the Graduate School of Medical Sciences, the Department of Dental Science of the Graduate School of Dental Science, and the Department of Clinical Pharmacy of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences) is five years.

(2) The standard duration of study in a doctoral program at the Department of Medical Sciences of the Graduate School of Medical Sciences, the Department of Dental Science of the Graduate School of Dental Science, and the Department of Clinical Pharmacy of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences is four years.

(3) The standard duration of study in a three-year doctoral program (hereinafter referred to as the “three-year doctoral program”) is three years.

(4) A doctoral program (excluding the doctoral programs at the Department of Medical Sciences of the Graduate School of Medical Sciences, the Department of Dental Science of the Graduate School of Dental Science, and the Department of Clinical Pharmacy of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences) is divided into the first two-year program and the second three-year program, and the first two-year program shall be treated as a master's program.

(5) Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, the division referred to in the preceding paragraph shall not apply to a doctoral program at the Graduate School of Systems Life Sciences.

(6) The first two-year program and the second three-year program referred to in paragraph (4) , as well as the program referred to in the preceding paragraph, are referred to as a "master's program" (in the case of the Joint Graduate School of Mathematics for Innovation, referred to as a "doctoral first-term program"), a "doctoral second-term program," and an "integrated doctoral program.", respectively.

(7) The standard duration of study in a master's program is two years.

(8) Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, the standard duration of study in a master's program may be set within the range from one year to less than two years depending on the department or the category of students by type of taking classes, pursuant to the provisions of the regulations of each graduate school, if the program provides education mainly for students who have practical experience, and if the shorter duration of study is necessary for education and research and is not detrimental to education when appropriate methods are applied, such as holding classes or providing research guidance in the daytime as well as nighttime, at any other specified time or period.

Article 3 (1) The standard duration of study in a professional degree program (excluding a program at the Department of Legal Practice of the Law School (hereinafter referred to as the "Law School")) is two years.

(2) The standard duration of study in a program at the Law School is three years.

(Maximum Period of Enrollment)

Article 4 (1) The maximum duration of enrollment in the same graduate school among the Graduate Schools/Faculties of Kyushu University (hereinafter referred to as the "Graduate Schools/Faculties") is four years for a master's program, six years for a Ph.D. program and a three-year doctoral program, and ten years for an integrated doctoral program.

(2) The maximum duration of enrollment is eight years for a doctoral program at the Department of Medical Sciences of the Graduate School of Medical Sciences, the Department of Dental Science of the Graduate School of Dental Science, and the Department of Clinical Pharmacy of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences.

Article 5 The maximum duration of enrollment in a professional degree program (excluding a program at the Law School) is four years, and the maximum duration of enrollment in a program at the Law School is six years.

(Quota)

Article 6 The student quota of each graduate school is as provided in appended tables 1 to 3.

(Academic Year and Academic Term)

Article 7 (1) An academic year begins on April 1 and ends on March 31 of the following year.

(2) The setting of academic terms is provided by the regulations of each graduate school.

(3) Each academic term provided in the preceding paragraph may be divided into two course periods.

(University Holidays)

Article 8(1) University holidays (days on which no class is held) are as follows:

Saturdays and Sundays;

Holidays provided in the Act on National Holidays (Act No. 178 of 1948);

Kyushu University Memorial Day: May 11;

Each holiday in Spring, Summer and Winter provided separately.

(2) Special university holidays are provided when necessary.

(3) Classes may be held on university holidays referred to in the preceding two paragraphs if it is particularly necessary.

## Chapter II Admission, Readmission, Transfer to Another Graduate School and Mid-course Entry Admission

### (Time of Admission)

Article 9 (1) Admission of students is scheduled at the beginning of each academic year; provided, however, that students may be admitted at the beginning of an academic term if it is found particularly necessary and not detrimental to education.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, the timing of admission to the International Joint Degree Program may be separately determined.

### (Qualification for Admission to Master's Program, Integrated Doctoral Program and Professional Degree Program)

Article 10 (1) A person who qualifies for admission to a master's program, an integrated doctoral program, and a professional degree program is one who falls under any of the following items:

- (i) a person who has graduated from a university provided in Article 83 of the School Education Act (Act No. 26 of 1947);
- (ii) a person who has been conferred a bachelor's degree under the provisions of Article 104, paragraph (7) of the School Education Act;
- (iii) a person who has completed a 16-year program of foreign school education;
- (iv) a person who has completed a 16-year program of foreign school education by taking courses in Japan conducted by a school of the foreign country as correspondence courses;
- (v) a person who has completed a program in Japan at an educational institution recognized under the school education system of a foreign country as providing university programs in the foreign country (limited to a program the completion of which is deemed to be the completion of a 16-year program of foreign school education) and designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology;
- (vi) a person who has been conferred a degree equivalent to a bachelor's degree from a foreign university or any other school of a foreign country (limited to a school that has undergone evaluation regarding the overall status of its educational and research activities by a person certified by the government or a related organization of the foreign country, or a school designated separately by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology as being equivalent thereto) by completing a program that requires a three year or more duration of study (including the case of completing the program by taking courses in Japan conducted by a school of the foreign country as correspondence courses and the case of completing a program at an educational institution recognized under the school education system of the foreign country and designated as referred to in the preceding item);
- (vii) a person who has completed a specialized program at a specialized training college (limited to a program that requires a four year or more duration of study and meets other standards provided by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology) as designated separately by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, on or after the date provided by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology;
- (viii) a person designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology;
- (ix) a person who has been admitted to a graduate school pursuant to the provisions of Article 102, paragraph (2) of the School Education Act and who has been recognized by a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties as having appropriate scholastic aptitude for receiving education at the graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties; or
- (x) a person who has been recognized by a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties, as a result of a separate screening process for entrance qualification, as having scholastic aptitude that is equal to or greater than that of a university graduate and who has attained the age of 22.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, a person who falls under any of the following items and who is recognized as having earned credits provided by a graduate school of the Graduate

Schools/Faculties with excellent academic achievement may be admitted to a master's program, an integrated doctoral program, and a professional degree program:

- (i) a person who has been enrolled in a university provided in Article 83 of the School Education Act for three years or more;
- (ii) a person who has completed a 15-year program of foreign school education;
- (iii) a person who has completed a 15-year program of foreign school education by taking courses in Japan conducted by a school of the foreign country as correspondence courses; or
- (iv) a person who has completed a program in Japan at an educational institution recognized under the school education system of a foreign country as providing university programs in the foreign country (limited to a program the completion of which is deemed to be the completion of a 15-year program of foreign school education) and designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology.

(Qualification for Admission to Ph.D. Program and Three-year Doctoral Program)

Article 11 A person who qualifies for admission to a Ph.D. program and a three-year doctoral program is one who falls under any of the following items:

- (i) a person who holds a master's degree or professional degree;
- (ii) a person who has been conferred a degree equivalent to a master's degree or professional degree in a foreign country;
- (iii) a person who has been conferred a degree equivalent to a master's degree or professional degree by taking courses in Japan conducted by a school of the foreign country as correspondence courses;
- (iv) a person who has been conferred a degree equivalent to a master's degree or professional degree by completing a program in Japan at an educational institution recognized under the school education system of a foreign country as providing graduate school programs in the foreign country and designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology;
- (v) a person who has been conferred a degree equivalent to a master's degree by completing a program provided by the United Nations University that was established based on the Resolution of the United Nations General Assembly adopted on December 11, 1972, provided in Article 1, paragraph (2) of the Act on Special Measures Incidental to Enforcement of the "Agreement between the United Nations and Japan regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations University" (Act No. 72 of 1976);
- (vi) a person who has been recognized as having scholastic aptitude that is equal to or greater than that of a master's degree holder by completing a curriculum at a school of the foreign country, an educational institution designated as referred to in item (iv) or the United Nations University and passing the requirements equivalent to an examination and review provided in Article 27-2;
- (vii) a person designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology; or
- (viii) a person who has been recognized by a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties, as a result of a separate screening process for entrance qualification, as having scholastic aptitude that is equal to or greater than that of a master's degree holder or professional degree holder and who has attained the age of 24.

(Qualification for Admission to Doctoral Program at the Department of Medical Sciences of the Graduate School of Medical Sciences, the Department of Dental Science of the Graduate School of Dental Science, and the Department of Clinical Pharmacy of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences)

Article 12 (1) A person who qualifies for admission to a doctoral program at the Department of Medical Sciences of the Graduate School of Medical Sciences, the Department of Dental Science of the Graduate School of Dental Science, and the Department of Clinical Pharmacy of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences is one who falls under any of the following items:

- (i) a person who has graduated from a university program to study medical sciences, dental sciences,

pharmaceutical sciences or veterinary sciences;

(ii) a person who has completed a 18-year program of foreign school education;

(iii) a person who has completed a 18-year program of foreign school education by taking courses in Japan conducted by a school of the foreign country as correspondence courses;

(iv) a person who has completed a program in Japan at an educational institution recognized under the school education system of a foreign country as providing university programs in the foreign country (limited to a program the completion of which is deemed to be the completion of a 18-year program of foreign school education) and designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology;

(v) a person who has been conferred a degree equivalent to a bachelor's degree from a foreign university or any other school of a foreign country (limited to a school that has undergone evaluation regarding the overall status of its educational and research activities by a person certified by the government or a related organization of the foreign country, or a school designated separately by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology as being equivalent thereto) by completing a program that requires a five year or more duration of study (including the case of completing the program by taking courses in Japan conducted by a school of the foreign country as correspondence courses and the case of completing a program at an educational institution recognized under the school education system of the foreign country and designated as referred to in the preceding item);

(vi) a person designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology;

(vii) a person who has been admitted to a graduate school pursuant to the provisions of Article 102, paragraph (2) of the School Education Act and who has been recognized by a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties as having appropriate scholastic aptitude for receiving education at the graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties; or

(viii) a person who has been recognized by a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties, as a result of a separate screening process for entrance qualification, as having scholastic aptitude that is equal to or greater than that of a university graduate and who has attained the age of 24.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, a person who falls under any of the following items and who is recognized as having earned credits provided by a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties with excellent academic achievement may be admitted to a doctoral program at the Department of Medical Sciences of the Graduate School of Medical Sciences, the Department of Dental Science of the Graduate School of Dental Science, and the Department of Clinical Pharmacy of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences:

(i) a person who has been enrolled in a university program to study medical sciences, dental sciences, pharmaceutical sciences or veterinary sciences for four years or more;

(ii) a person who has completed a 16-year program of foreign school education;

(iii) a person who has completed a 16-year program of foreign school education by taking courses in Japan conducted by a school of foreign country as correspondence courses; or

(iv) a person who has completed a program in Japan at an educational institution recognized under the school education system of a foreign country as providing university programs in the foreign country (limited to a program the completion of which is deemed to be the completion of a 16-year program of foreign school education) and designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology.

(Screening Process for entrance qualification)

Article 13 Methods for conducting the screening process for entrance qualification referred to in Article 10, paragraph (1), item (x), Article 11, item (viii), and paragraph (1), item (viii) of the preceding Article and other matters concerning the referenced screening process are provided separately by the dean of each graduate school following discussion at the Faculty Council of the graduate school.

(Application for Admission)

Article 13-2 A person who applies for admission must file an application by submitting an application form with a required application fee and other documents provided separately, by a prescribed deadline.

(Entrance Examination)

Article 14 (1) An entrance examination is held for applicants for admission referred to in the preceding Article.

(2) Details of the entrance examination are provided separately by the dean of each graduate school following discussion at the Faculty Council of the graduate school.

Article 14-2 The provisions of the preceding Article apply mutatis mutandis to a person who has completed a master's program at a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties and applies to advance to a Ph.D. program or a three-year doctoral program.

(Admission Procedure and Grant of Admission)

Article 14-3 The President grants admission to persons who have passed the selection process referred to in Article 14, paragraph (1) and who have paid the admission fee (or have filed an application for exemption from payment in full or in part or for postponement of collection of the admission fee in the case of those who seek the exemption or postponement) and submitted required documents by a prescribed deadline.

(Readmission)

Article 14-4 A person who applies for admission to the same graduate school from which the person has withdrawn pursuant to the provisions of Article 33 may be readmitted to the graduate school through the selection process.

(Transfer to Graduate Schools of the Graduate Schools/Faculties)

Article 15 (1) If a person who falls under any of the following items files an application for transfer to a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties, the person may be granted permission for transfer through the selection process only at the beginning of each academic term:

- (i) a person who is enrolled in a graduate school of another university; or
- (ii) a person who was enrolled in a program in Japan at an educational institution recognized under the school education system of a foreign country as providing graduate school programs in the foreign country and designated separately by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (limited to a person provided in Article 102, paragraph (1) of the School Education Act), and a person who was enrolled in a program at the United Nations University.

(2) An application for transfer referred to in the preceding paragraph shall be submitted to the dean of a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties in which the applicant wishes to be enrolled, with a letter of introduction issued by the president or head of the university or graduate school department in which the applicant is or was enrolled.

(3) Whether or not to approve the courses and credits already taken and earned by a person who is granted permission for transfer to a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties under paragraph (1) and whether or not to recognize the years of the person's enrollment are determined by the dean of the graduate school following discussion at the Faculty Council of the graduate school for each applicant for transfer.

Article 16 (1) If a student of a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties intends to transfer to a graduate school of another university, the student shall submit an application form for transfer to the President via the dean of the student's graduate school.

(2) The President grants permission for transfer if the President find the applicant's reasons for transfer to be appropriate.

(Transfer to Another Graduate School of the Graduate Schools/Faculties and Change of Department)

Article 17 (1) If a student who is enrolled in a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties files an application for transfer to another graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties, the dean of the other graduate school may grant permission for transfer to the student through the selection process only at the beginning of each academic term.

(2) If a student of a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties intends to transfer to another graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties pursuant to the provisions of the preceding paragraph, the student shall submit an application form for transfer to the dean of the student's graduate school via the student's academic advisor, and obtain permission of the dean.

(3) Whether or not to approve the courses and credits already taken and earned by a student who is granted permission for transfer to another graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties under paragraph (1) and whether or not to recognize the years of the student's enrollment are determined by the dean of the graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties following discussion at the Faculty Council of the graduate school for each applicant for transfer.

(4) The provisions of the preceding paragraph apply mutatis mutandis to the case of changing a department.

(Mid-course Entry Admission)

Article 17-2 (1) If a person who falls under any of the items of Article 11 files an application for mid-course entry admission to the third year of a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties that provides an integrated doctoral program, the person may be granted permission for transfer through the selection process.

(2) The necessary matters concerning the mid-course entry admission referred to in the preceding paragraph are provided separately by the regulations of the graduate school concerned.

(Procedures and Permission for Readmission)

Article 17-3 The provisions of Article 14-3 apply mutatis mutandis to the procedures and permission for readmission, transfer to a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties (excluding the transfer referred to in Article 16) and mid-course entry admission to the third year of a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties that provides an integrated doctoral program (hereinafter collectively referred to as "readmission, etc.").

### Chapter III Educational Methods

(Policy to Organize Curricula)

Article 17-4 (1) The President shall , in the graduate schools of the Graduate Schools/Faculties (excluding professional graduate schools), create courses necessary in accordance with the policies prescribed in Article 165-2, paragraph (1), items (i) and (ii) of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the School Education Act (Ministry of Education Ordinance No. 11 of 1947; hereinafter referred to as the "Ordinance for Enforcement of the School Education Act"), and have the graduate schools draw up plans for providing guidance regarding how to write degree theses, etc. (hereinafter referred to as "research guidance"), and organize curricula systematically.

(2) When organizing curricula, appropriate consideration shall be given to having students acquire advanced technical knowledge and abilities in their major fields and fostering their basic knowledge in the fields related to their major fields.

(KIKAN Education for Graduate Schools/Faculties)

Article 17-5 (1) Kyushu University (hereinafter referred to as the “University”) has in place a program open to students of all graduate schools in the Graduate Schools/Faculties, in addition to a curriculum organized for each graduate school.

(2) The program referred to in the preceding paragraph is called KIKAN education for Graduate Schools/Faculties, and the necessary matters relevant to the program are provided separately.

(Graduate Program of Mathematics for Innovation)

Article 17-6 (1) The University has in place the Graduate Program of Mathematics for Innovation.

(2) The necessary matters relevant to the Graduate Program of Mathematics for Innovation are provided separately.

(Graduate Program of Interdisciplinary Policy Analysis and Design)

Article 17-7 (1) The University has in place the Graduate Program of Interdisciplinary Policy Analysis and Design.

(2) The necessary matters relevant to the Graduate Program of Interdisciplinary Policy Analysis and Design are provided separately.

(“Future-Creation (MIRAI)” Course)

Article 17-8 (1) The University has in place a program open to students of all graduate schools in the Graduate Schools/Faculties, in addition to a curriculum organized for each graduate school.

(2) The program referred to in the preceding paragraph is called the “Future-Creation (MIRAI)” Course, and the necessary matters relevant to the program are provided separately.

(Next-Generation AI Human Resource Development Program)

Article 17-9 (1) The University has in place a Next-Generation AI Human Resource Development Program in the Graduate Schools/Faculties.

(2) The necessary matters relevant to Next-Generation AI Human Resource Development Program are provided separately.

(Sub-major Program in Informatics)

Article 17-10 (1) The University has in place a Sub-major Program in Informatics in the Graduate Schools/Faculties.

(2) The necessary matters relevant to Sub-major Program in Informatics are provided separately.

(Classes and Research Guidance)

Article 18 (1) Education at graduate schools of the Graduate Schools/Faculties shall be conducted by holding classes of courses and providing research guidance (in the case of professional graduate schools, by holding classes of courses; the same applies hereinafter).

(2) Graduate schools of the Graduate Schools/Faculties (excluding professional graduate schools) may, with respect to each course, have persons other than the faculty member in charge of the course—such as other faculty members, students, or other persons designated by the graduate school—assist in the course, and, if it is deemed that sufficient educational effectiveness can be achieved, may have a portion of the course conducted by faculty members other than the one in charge, in accordance with the instructional plan prepared by the faculty member in charge.

(3) Graduate schools of the Graduate Schools/Faculties may have their students take classes referred to in the preceding paragraph at places other than a classroom where those classes are conducted, using various

types of media in an advanced manner.

(4) Graduate schools of the Graduate Schools/Faculties may have their students take classes referred to in paragraph (1) in foreign countries. The same applies where graduate schools of the Graduate Schools/Faculties have their students take classes at places other than a classroom where those classes are conducted, using various types of media in an advanced manner pursuant to the provisions of the preceding paragraph.

(5) Beyond what is provided in these Regulations, courses, credits, research guidance, and other matters as needed for education at graduate schools of the Graduate Schools/Faculties are provided by the regulations of each graduate school.

#### (Method of Calculation of Credits)

Article 18-2 (1) With regard to the number of credits awarded for each course, a standard one-credit course consists of content that requires 45 hours of learning, and the number of credits is calculated according to the following standards depending on the class method, while taking into consideration matters such as the educational effects of the class and learning required outside class hours, one credit is awarded for a number of hours of class provided by the regulations of each graduate school between approximately 15 hours and 45 hours. Provided, however, that regarding skills-practice class by tutoring in the artistic fields, etc., one credit may be awarded for a number of hours of class provided by the regulations of the relevant graduate school. (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, when it is found appropriate to award credits by assessing learning outcomes in courses such as graduation theses, the number of credits may be provided while taking into consideration matters such as the learning necessary for completing these courses.

#### (Revealing of Academic Assessment Standards)

Article 18-3 (1) The dean of each graduate school shall present a clear outline of the methods and content regarding classes in each course and research guidance as well as the schedules for classes and research guidance for the year to its students in advance.

(2) In assessing learning outcomes and degree theses (in the case of professional graduate schools, assessing learning outcomes) and recognizing completion of study, the dean of each graduate school shall present a clear outline of the standards therefor to its students in advance and conduct an assessment and recognition process appropriately according to those standards in order to ensure objectivity and accuracy.

#### (Organized Training)

Article 18-4 (1) The dean of each graduate school shall conduct organized training and research for the purpose of improving the content and methods of courses offered by the undergraduate school, in order to enhance the education provided to students.

(2) The dean of each graduate school shall provide necessary training to persons (excluding faculty members) who assist in courses pursuant to the provisions of Article 18, paragraph (2).

#### (Selection of Courses)

Article 19 (1) When selecting courses to take, students shall follow the instructions of their academic advisors.

(2) The dean of each graduate school may, when it is found beneficial for education, have a student take courses and earn credits in a program at another department, another KIKAN education program for graduate schools, program at another graduate school, or program at an another undergraduate school, with the designation, pursuant to the provisions of the regulations of each graduate school.

(3) The credits earned as provided in the preceding paragraph may be deemed to be part of the credits required to complete the program referred to in Articles 27 to 29 or Article 56.

#### (Examination)

Article 20 (1) Whether students pass or fail each course they have taken is determined by an examination or research report.

(2) The examination referred to in the preceding paragraph is held at the end of each academic term or the end of each academic year; provided, however, that a supplementary examination may be held for students who have been unable to take the examination due to illness or any other compelling reason.

(Academic Achievement)

Article 21 (1) Academic achievement in each course is indicated by five types of grades, S, A, B, C, and F, among which S, A, B, and C are passing grades and F is a failing grade.

(2) Students are awarded a prescribed number of credits for a course that they have passed.

(3) Students may be given the opportunity to take a make-up examination for a course they have failed.

(Courses Taken at Graduate Schools of Other Universities)

Article 22 (1) The dean of each graduate school may, when it is found beneficial for education, deem credits that a student has earned by completing courses at graduate schools of other universities to be credits earned by completing courses at graduate schools of the Graduate Schools/Faculties.

(2) The provisions of the preceding paragraph apply mutatis mutandis if a student studies at a foreign graduate school, if a student takes courses in Japan conducted by a foreign graduate school as correspondence courses, if a student takes courses in Japan in a curriculum provided by an educational institution recognized under the school education system of a foreign country as providing graduate school curricula in the foreign country and designated separately by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, and if a student takes courses in a curriculum provided by the United Nations University.

(3) The dean of each graduate school may, when it is found beneficial for education, permit a student to receive necessary research guidance at a graduate school of another university, etc. based on an agreement with the referenced graduate school of another university, etc.; provided, however, that a student in a master's program is permitted to receive the guidance within a period not exceeding one year.

(Courses Taken at Foreign Graduate Schools during Leave of Absence)

Article 23 The dean of each graduate school may, when it is found beneficial for education, deem credits that a student has earned by taking courses at foreign graduate schools while on a leave of absence to be credits earned by taking courses at graduate schools of the Graduate Schools/Faculties.

(Maximum Number of Credits Earned by Taking Courses at Graduate Schools of Other Universities)

Article 24 The number of credits that may be deemed to be credits earned at graduate schools of the Graduate Schools/Faculties pursuant to the provisions of the preceding two Articles does not exceed 15 credits in total, except in the case of transfer, etc. provided in Articles 15, 17, and 17-2.

(Approval of Credits Earned Before Admission)

Article 25 (1) The dean of each graduate school may, when it is found beneficial for education, deem credits that a student has earned by taking courses at graduate schools of other universities before being admitted to the graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties (including credits earned by the student as a credited auditor pursuant to the provisions of Article 15 of the Standards for Establishment of Graduate Schools (Ordinance of the Ministry of Education No. 28 of 1974)) to be credits that the student has earned by taking courses at the graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties after being admitted to the graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties.

(2) The provisions of the preceding paragraph apply mutatis mutandis in the case prescribed in Article 22, paragraph (2).

(3) The number of credits that may be deemed to be credits earned at each graduate school pursuant to the provisions of the preceding two paragraphs, other than credits earned at the Graduate Schools/Faculties, does

not exceed 15 credits in total, except in the case of transfer, etc. provided in Articles 15, 17, and 17-2.

(Maximum Number of Credits That May Be Deemed to Be Credits Earned by Taking Courses at Graduate Schools/Faculties)

Article 25-2 The number of credits that may be deemed to be credits earned at graduate schools of the Graduate Schools/Faculties pursuant to the provisions of the preceding two Articles does not exceed 20 credits in total.

(Completion of Curriculum Based on Long-Term Plan)

Article 26 If a student applies the dean of a graduate school of the student's desire to complete the curriculum required for graduation over a certain period of time exceeding the standard duration of study in a planned manner due to circumstances such as having an occupation, the dean of the graduate school may approve the student's plan for completion of the curriculum as provided by the dean following discussion at the Faculty Council of the graduate school.

#### Chapter IV Requirements for Completion of Study and Conferral of Degrees

(Requirements for Completion of Master's Program)

Article 27 In order to complete a master's program, a student is required to be enrolled in a master's program for at least two years (in the case of a department or a category of students by type of taking classes for which the standard duration of study is not two years, for at least the relevant standard duration of study), earn at least 30 credits by taking courses as provided by the regulations of each graduate school, and receive necessary research guidance, and then pass a review of a master's thesis or of research results on a specific theme according to the objective of the relevant master's program and also pass the final examination; provided, however, that a student who has made an outstanding achievement is required to be enrolled in a master's program only for at least one year if the President so permits.

Article 27-2 As the requirements for completing the first two-year program of a doctoral program that shall be treated as a master's program under the provisions of Article 2, paragraph (4), the following examination and review may replace the review of a master's thesis or research results on a specific theme and the final examination provided in the preceding Article, pursuant to the provisions of the regulations of each graduate school, if the replacement is found necessary for achieving the objective of the doctoral program:

- (i) an examination to assess a student's advanced technical knowledge and abilities relevant to the student's major field as well as the student's basic knowledge in the fields related to the major field that the student must acquire or cultivate during the first two-year program; and
- (ii) a review to assess a student's abilities as needed to carry out research concerning a doctoral thesis independently that the student must acquire during the first two-year program.

(Requirements for Completion of Doctoral Program)

Article 28 (1) In order to complete a doctoral program (excluding the doctoral programs at the Department of Medical Sciences of the Graduate School of Medical Sciences, the Department of Dental Science of the Graduate School of Dental Science, and the Department of Clinical Pharmacy of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences; hereinafter the same applies in this Article), a student is required to be enrolled in a doctoral program for at least five years (in the case of a student who has been enrolled in a master's program for two years or more and has completed the program, the two-year period of enrolment in the master's program is included), earn at least 30 prescribed credits by taking prescribed courses as provided by the regulations of each graduate school, and receive necessary research guidance, and then pass a review of a

doctoral thesis and also pass the final examination; provided, however, that a student who has made an outstanding research achievement is required to be enrolled in a doctoral program only for at least three years (in the case of a student who has been enrolled in a master's program for two years or more and has completed the program, the two-year period of enrolment in the master's program is included) if the President so permits.

(2) With regard to the requirements for completing a doctoral program as applicable to a student who has completed a master's program for which the standard duration of study is set within the range from one year to less than two years pursuant to the provisions of Article 2, paragraph (8) and a student who has completed a master's program by having been enrolled therein for the period under the proviso to Article 27, the provisions of the preceding paragraph are applied by deeming the phrase "five years (in the case of a student who has been enrolled in a master's program for two years or more and has completed the program, the two-year period of enrolment in the master's program is included)" in the preceding paragraph to be replaced with "the period of enrolment in a master's program plus three years," and the phrase "three years (in the case of a student who has been enrolled in a master's program for two years or more and has completed the program, the two-year period of enrolment in the master's program is included)" in the same paragraph to be replaced with "three years (including the period of enrollment in a master's program)."

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (1) and (2), if a student who has been recognized, upon being assessed for admission to a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties pursuant to the provisions of Article 156 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the School Education Act, as having scholastic aptitude that is equal to or greater than that of a master's degree holder or professional degree holder, or a student who has completed a professional degree program, is admitted to a Ph.D. program, the student is required to be enrolled in a Ph.D. program for at least three years (or two years in the case of a student who has completed a program at the Law School) and receive necessary research guidance, and then pass a review of a doctoral thesis and also pass the final examination; provided, however, that, with regard to the period of enrollment, a student who has made an outstanding research achievement is required to be enrolled in a Ph.D. program only for at least one year (in the case of a student who has completed a professional degree program for which the standard duration of study is set within the range from one year to less than two years, for at least the period that remains after reducing the referenced standard duration of study from the three-year period) if the President so permits.

(4) It may be possible to require a student to earn a prescribed number of additional credits by taking prescribed courses additionally as the requirements for completion referred to in the preceding paragraph, pursuant to the provisions of the regulations of each graduate school.

(Requirements for Completion of Doctoral Programs at the Department of Medical Sciences of the Graduate School of Medical Sciences, the Department of Dental Science of the Graduate School of Dental Science, and the Department of Clinical Pharmacy of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences)

Article 29 In order to complete a doctoral program at the Department of Medical Sciences of the Graduate School of Medical Sciences, the Department of Dental Science of the Graduate School of Dental Science, and the Department of Clinical Pharmacy of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, a student is required to be enrolled in a doctoral program at the Department of Medical Sciences of the Graduate School of Medical Sciences, the Department of Dental Science of the Graduate School of Dental Science, and the Department of Clinical Pharmacy of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences for at least four years, earn at least 30 credits by taking courses as provided by the regulations of each graduate school, and receive necessary research guidance, and then pass a review of a doctoral thesis and also pass the final examination; provided, however, that, with regard to the period of enrollment, a student who has made an outstanding research achievement is required to be enrolled in a doctoral program at the Department of Medical Sciences of the Graduate School of Medical Sciences, the Department of Dental Science of the Graduate School of Dental Science, and the Department of Clinical Pharmacy of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences

only for at least three years if the President so permits.

(Reduction of Period of Enrollment in Graduate Schools/Faculties)

Article 29-2 (1) If, pursuant to the provisions of Article 25, the credits earned by a student before being admitted to a graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties (limited to those earned after the student is qualified to be admitted pursuant to the provisions of Article 102, paragraph (1) of the School Education Act) are deemed to be credits that the student has earned at the graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties, and the student is recognized as having completed part of the curriculum of a master's program or doctoral program (in the case of a doctoral program consisting of a first two-year program and a second three-year program, excluding the second three-year program) of the Graduate Schools/Faculties by earning these credits, the student may be treated as having been enrolled in the graduate school of the Graduate Schools/Faculties for a period not exceeding one year as provided by the graduate school, while taking into consideration the number of credits earned, the time consumed to earn them, and other matters; provided, however, that, even in this case, a student admitted to a master's program shall be enrolled in the program for at least one year.

(2) The provisions of the preceding paragraph do not apply to the period of enrollment of a student who has completed a master's program in a doctoral program provided in Article 28, paragraph (1) (including as applied with the replacement of terms pursuant to the provisions of Article 28, paragraph (2); hereinafter the same applies in this paragraph) (excluding the period of enrollment in a master's program that is included in the period of enrollment in a doctoral program pursuant to the provisions of Article 28, paragraph (1)).

(Requirements for Completion of Three-Year Doctoral Program)

Article 29-3 (1) In order to complete a three-year doctoral program, a student is required to be enrolled in a three-year doctoral program for at least three years and receive necessary research guidance, and then pass a review of a doctoral thesis and also pass the final examination; provided, however, that, with regard to the period of enrollment, a student who has made an outstanding research achievement is required to be enrolled in a three-year doctoral program only for at least one year (in the case of a student who has completed a master's program by having been enrolled therein for the period provided in the proviso to Article 27, the period of enrollment in the program is included in the three-year period) if the President so permits.

(2) It may be possible to require a student to earn a prescribed number of additional credits by taking additional courses as the requirements for completion referred to in the preceding paragraph, pursuant to the provisions of the regulations of each graduate school.

(Degree Thesis and Final Examination)

Article 30 The final examination referred to in Article 27 to the preceding Article is conducted focusing on a degree thesis or research results on a specific theme (hereinafter referred to as a "degree thesis, etc."), and in relation to the relevant courses.

Article 31 (1) Whether students pass or fail a review of a degree thesis, etc. or the final examination is examined by the Faculty Council of each graduate school.

(2) Details of a thesis review and the final examination are provided separately.

(Conferral of Degree)

Article 32 (1) A student who has completed a master's program, doctoral program or professional degree program shall be conferred a degree pursuant to the provisions of the Degree Regulations of Kyushu University (Kyushu University Regulation No. 86 of 2004).

(2) Beyond what is provided in the preceding paragraph, a student who has satisfied the requirements

provided in Articles 27 and 27-2 in an integrated doctoral program may also be conferred a master's degree.

## Chapter V Withdrawal, Studying Abroad, and Leave of Absence

### (Withdrawal)

Article 33 A student who intends to withdraw from a graduate school must submit an application for permission for withdrawal to the President via the dean of the student's graduate school, and obtain the President's permission.

### (Studying Abroad)

Article 34 (1) A student who wishes to study at a foreign graduate school, etc. must submit an application for permission for studying abroad to the dean of the student's graduate school and obtain the dean's permission.

(2) The period of studying abroad with the permission referred to in the preceding paragraph may be included in the duration of enrollment required to complete the program under Articles 27 to 29 or Article 56 as a completed part thereof.

### (Leave of Absence)

Article 35 (1) A student who is unable to study for two months or more due to disease or for financial reasons may take leave of absence until the end of the academic year concerned, with the permission of the dean of the student's graduate school.

(2) In addition to the case referred to in the preceding paragraph, the dean of a graduate school may grant permission for leave of absence if any special circumstances are found.

(3) The dean of a graduate school may order a student to take leave of absence if the student is found unfit for studying due to disease.

(4) If the grounds for leave of absence cease to exist during the period of leave of absence, the student may return to study, with the permission of the dean of the student's graduate school.

(5) The period of leave of absence is not included in the period of enrollment.

(6) The period of leave of absence may not exceed two years for a master's program, three years for a Ph.D. program or three-year doctoral program, or five years for an integrated doctoral program.

(7) The period of leave of absence in a doctoral program at the Department of Medical Sciences of the Graduate School of Medical Sciences, the Department of Dental Science of the Graduate School of Dental Science, and the Department of Clinical Pharmacy of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences may not exceed four years.

Article 36 (1) The period of leave of absence in a professional degree program (excluding a program at the Law School) may not exceed two years.

(2) The period of leave of absence in a program at the Law School may not exceed three years.

## Chapter VI Awards, Expulsion and Disciplinary Action

### (Awards)

Article 37 (1) The President may present awards to students who have performed acts worthy of commendation.

(2) The necessary matters concerning awards are provided separately.

### (Expulsion)

Article 38 If the President finds that a student falls under any of the following items based on the report from the dean of the student's graduate school, the President may expel the student:

- (i) if the student has been absent for a long period of time;
- (ii) if the student is not expected to complete the student's study;
- (iii) if the student has been missing for a long period of time;
- (iv) if the student has been enrolled beyond the maximum period of enrollment provided in Article 4 or Article 5; or
- (v) if the student is still unable to return to study after the expiration of the period of leave of absence provided in Article 35, paragraph (6) or paragraph (7) or Article 36.

Article 39 If a student falls under any of the following items, the President expels the student:

- (i) if the student who has been granted partial exemption or has not been granted exemption from payment of an admission fee or who has been granted postponement of collection or has not been granted postponement of collection of an admission fee fails to pay the admission fee by a prescribed deadline; or
- (ii) if the student has failed to pay a tuition fee and still fails to pay it even after receiving a demand for payment.

(Disciplinary Action)

Article 40 (1) If a student violates regulations of Kyushu University (hereinafter referred to as the "University") or acts contrary to a student's duty, the President takes disciplinary action against the student.

(2) The measures to be taken as disciplinary action in the case referred to in the preceding paragraph include admonition, suspension, and removal.

(3) The procedures for disciplinary action and other necessary matters concerning disciplinary action are provided separately.

## Chapter VII Application Fee, Admission Fee, Tuition Fee, and Dormitory Fee

(Application Fee)

Article 41 (1) A person who applies for admission or readmission, etc. must pay an application fee.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, the application fee may be waived for a person who is deemed to have special circumstances.

(3) Matters necessary for the waiver of the application fee prescribed in the preceding paragraph shall be separately determined.

(Admission Fee)

Article 42 (1) Upon admission or readmission, etc., an applicant must pay an admission fee.

(2) A person who has difficulty in paying an admission fee or who is deemed to have special circumstances may be granted exemption from payment in full or in part or postponement of collection of the fee.

(3) The necessary matters concerning the exemption from payment and postponement of collection of an admission fee referred to in the preceding paragraph are provided separately.

(Tuition Fee)

Article 43 (1) A tuition fee for each academic year must be paid in the amount equivalent to half of the annual amount of tuition fee for each term of payment set forth in the following table, by the respective due date of payment set forth in the same table; provided, however, that this does not apply to the due date of payment in the case of a student who has applied for the exemption from payment, postponement of collection or payment by monthly installments with regard to a tuition fee for the relevant term:

| Term of payment                           | Due date of payment |
|-------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| First term (from April 1 to September 30) | May 31              |
| Second term (from October 1 to March 31)  | November 30         |

(2) If a student's leave of absence has lasted throughout either of the terms of payment of a tuition fee provided in the preceding paragraph, the student is exempted from payment of a tuition fee for the relevant term.

(3) If a student is found to have difficulty in paying a tuition fee for financial reasons and is found to be academically excellent or if any special circumstances are found with regard to a student, the student may be allowed for exemption from payment in full or in part or postponement of collection of a tuition fee, or payment by monthly installments.

(4) The necessary matters concerning the exemption from payment, postponement of collection and payment by monthly installments with regard to a tuition fee referred to in the preceding paragraph are provided separately.

#### (Dormitory Fee)

Article 44 (1) A student who has moved into a dormitory must pay a dormitory fee by a predetermined deadline.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, a student for whom any special circumstances are found may be granted exemption from payment of a dormitory fee.

#### (Amount of Application Fee, Admission Fee, Tuition Fee, and Dormitory Fee)

Article 45 The amount, collection method, and other necessary matters concerning an application fee, admission fee, tuition fee, and dormitory fee are provided by the National University Corporation Kyushu University Rules for Tuition Fees and Other Fees (Kyushu University Accounting Regulation No. 12 of 2004; hereinafter referred to as the "Rules for Fees").

### Chapter VIII Credited Auditors, Auditors, Special Auditors, Research Students, and Special Research Students

#### (Credited Auditors)

Article 46 (1) If a person other than a student of the University applies to take one or more courses provided by a graduate school, the person may be admitted as a credited auditor.

(2) The necessary matters concerning credited auditors are provided separately.

#### (Auditors)

Article 47 (1) If a person applies to audit a specific course provided by a graduate school at the University or KIKAN education for Graduate Schools/Faculties provided in Article 17-5 (2), the person may be admitted as an auditor through the selection process, as long as this is not detrimental to education or research.

(2) The necessary matters concerning auditors are provided separately.

#### (Special Auditors)

Article 48 (1) If a student of a graduate school of another Japanese university or a foreign graduate school applies to take a specific course provided by a graduate school at the University, the student may be admitted as a special auditor based on an agreement with the graduate school of the referenced other Japanese university or foreign graduate school.

(2) The necessary matters concerning special auditors are provided separately.

(Research Students)

Article 49 (1) If a person applies to conduct research on a specific area of specialty at a graduate school, the person may be admitted as a research student through the selection process, as long as this does not interfere with education or research at the graduate school.

(2) The necessary matters concerning research students are provided separately.

(Special Research Students)

Article 50 (1) If a student of a graduate school of another Japanese university or a foreign graduate school applies to receive research guidance at a graduate school or research institute, etc. of the University, the person may be permitted to receive research guidance as a special research student based on an agreement with the graduate school of the referenced other Japanese university or foreign graduate school.

(2) The necessary matters concerning special research students are provided separately.

(Tuition Fee)

Article 51 The amount, collection method, and other necessary matters concerning an application fee, admission fee, and tuition fee payable by credited auditors, auditors, special auditors, research students, and special research students are provided by the Rules for Fees.

Chapter IX Educational Methods at Professional Graduate Schools

(Curricula)

Article 52 The President shall create, in collaboration with industries and other related parties, courses necessary in professional graduate schools and organize curricula systematically, based on the policies prescribed in Article 165-2, paragraph (1), items (i) and (ii) of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the School Education Act.

(Curriculum Collaboration Council)

Article 52-2 (1) The University has in place the Curriculum Collaboration Council in a professional graduate school in order to organize a curriculum and implement them smoothly and effectively in collaboration with industries and other related parties.

(2) The duties, organization and other necessary matters of the Curriculum Collaboration Council are provided separately.

(Class Methods)

Article 53 (1) Professional graduate schools shall hold classes by appropriate methods such as case study, field survey, bilateral or multilateral discussion, and question-and-answer session according to the fields of study in order to provide practical education as needed to achieve the objectives of the professional graduate schools.

(2) Professional graduate schools may have their students take classes at places other than a classroom where relevant classes are conducted, using various types of media in an advanced manner, pursuant to the provisions of Article 18, paragraph (3), with regard to the fields of study where this class method is expected to be bring about sufficient educational effects and the classes for which the effects are recognized.

(Maximum Number of Registrable Courses)

Article 54 Professional graduate schools shall determine the maximum number of credits for which their

students may register courses for one academic year or one academic term in order to enable them to take courses appropriately in each year.

(Maximum Number of Credits That May Be Deemed to Be Credits Earned at Professional Graduate Schools)  
Article 55 (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 24 and Article 25, paragraph (3), the number of credits that may be deemed to be credits earned at professional graduate schools pursuant to the provisions of Article 22 (excluding paragraph (3)), Article 23, and Article 25, paragraph (1) (including cases where it is applied mutatis mutandis under paragraph (2) of the same Article) does not exceed one-half in total of the number of credits required to complete study at professional graduate schools (at least 30 credits), except in the case of transfer, etc. provided in Articles 15 and 17.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph as well as the provisions of Article 24 and Article 25, paragraph (3), the number of credits that may be deemed to be credits earned at the program at the Law School pursuant to the provisions of Article 22 (excluding paragraph (3)), Article 23, Article 25, paragraph (1) (including cases where it is applied mutatis mutandis under paragraph (2) of the same Article), and Article 58, paragraph (1) does not exceed 33 credits in total, except in the case of transfer, etc. provided in Articles 15 and 17; provided, however, that with regard to persons who are admitted to the Law School after completing a certified joint introductory program for legal profession or persons recognized by the Law School as having a level of scholarship equal to that of persons admitted to the Law School, the number of credits that may be deemed to be credits earned at the Law School does not exceed 49 credits in total.

(Requirements for Completion of Professional Degree Program)

Article 56 (1) In order to complete a professional degree program, (excluding a program at the Law School), a student is required to be enrolled in the professional degree program for at least two years, earn at least 30 credits by taking courses as provided by the regulations of each graduate school and completing any other curriculum.

(2) In order to complete a program at the Law School, a student is required to be enrolled in the program at the Law School for at least three years and earn at least 93 prescribed credits by taking courses as provided by the Regulations of the Law School of Kyushu University.

(3) With regard to professional graduate schools, if the President finds necessary, may require a student to earn additional credits in addition to the number of credits required to complete study as referred to in the preceding two paragraphs.

(Reduction of Period of Enrollment in Professional Degree Program)

Article 57 If a professional graduate school, pursuant to the provisions of Article 25, paragraph (1) (including cases where it is applied mutatis mutandis under paragraph (2) of the same Article), deems credits that a student has earned before being admitted thereto (limited to credits earned after the student is qualified to be admitted pursuant to the provisions of Article 102, paragraph (1) of the School Education Act) to be credits that the student has earned by taking courses at the professional graduate school, and recognizes the student as having completed part of the curriculum at the professional graduate school by earning these credits, the professional graduate school may treat the student as having been enrolled in the professional graduate school for a period not exceeding one year as provided by the professional graduate school, while taking into consideration the number of credits earned, the time consumed to earn them, and other matters.

(Former Learners of Law Enrolled in Law School)

Article 58 (1) With regard to a student who is recognized as having the basic knowledge of law required to study at the Law School (hereinafter referred to as a "former learner of law"), the Law School may deem the student to have been enrolled in the Law School for a period not exceeding one year as recognized by the Law School as part of the period of enrollment provided in Article 56, paragraph (2), and also deem the student to have earned the number of credits as recognized by the Law School as part of the credits provided

in the same paragraph.

(2) The period for which a former learner of law may be deemed to have been enrolled in the Law School pursuant to the provisions of the preceding paragraph does not exceed one year when combined with the period for which the former learner of law may be deemed to have been enrolled in the Law School pursuant to the provisions of the preceding Article.

## Chapter X International Joint Degree Program

(Organization of the International Joint Education Curriculum)

Article 59 Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 17-4, the President shall organize an international joint education curriculum (hereinafter referred to as the “International Joint Education Curriculum”) in the International Joint Degree Program, by deeming courses offered by one or more foreign graduate schools (hereinafter referred to as “Partner Foreign Graduate Schools”) that conduct education and research in collaboration with the Program to constitute part of the curriculum of the relevant Graduate School.

(Jointly Offered Courses in the International Joint Education Curriculum)

Article 60 (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 17-4, the President may jointly offer courses with Partner Foreign Graduate Schools.

(2) Credits earned by students of the International Joint Degree Program through the courses set forth in the preceding paragraph (hereinafter referred to in this paragraph as “Jointly Offered Courses”) may be counted, up to a maximum of seven credits, as credits earned either at the relevant Graduate School or at the Partner Foreign Graduate School. However, if the total number of credits earned at the relevant Graduate School and the Partner Foreign Graduate School falls short of the number of credits required to be earned at each institution pursuant to the provisions of Article 62, paragraph (1), the credits earned through the Jointly Offered Courses shall not be counted as credits earned at either institution.

(Recognition of Credits in the International Joint Education Curriculum)

Article 61 (1) A Graduate School that offers an International Joint Degree Program shall deem credits earned by a student through courses in the International Joint Education Curriculum taken at a Partner Foreign Graduate School to be credits earned through the corresponding courses in the International Joint Education Curriculum.

(2) A Graduate School that offers an International Joint Degree Program shall deem research guidance received by a student at a Partner Foreign Graduate School to be part of the International Joint Education Curriculum.

(Requirements for Completion of the Program)

Article 62 (1) In addition to the requirements prescribed in Article 28, completion of a doctoral program that constitutes an International Joint Education Curriculum shall require that the student earn, through the completion of courses in the International Joint Education Curriculum, the number of credits specified in the rules of the Graduate School that offers the International Joint Degree Program, both at that Graduate School and at each Partner Foreign Graduate School.

(2) The number of credits earned through the completion of courses in the International Joint Education Curriculum at the Graduate School that offers the International Joint Degree Program and at each Partner Foreign Graduate School pursuant to the preceding paragraph shall not include credits deemed to have been earned pursuant to the provisions of Article 22, paragraph (1) and Article 25, paragraph (1); provided, however, that this shall not apply to credits deemed to have been earned pursuant to Article 25, paragraph (1) if they are recognized as being particularly necessary for the organization and implementation of the

International Joint Education Curriculum.

(Special Provisions for the International Joint Degree Program)

Article 63 (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Articles 13 through 14-3, the eligibility screening for admission, application for admission, selection of students, and procedures and approval for admission to the International Joint Degree Program shall be separately prescribed through consultation with the Partner Foreign Graduate Schools.

(2) In addition to what is prescribed in the preceding paragraph, if any arrangements differing from these Rules are to be made in the International Joint Degree Program through consultation between the Graduate School that offers the Program and the Partner Foreign Graduate Schools, such arrangements shall be governed by the provisions of the agreement or other documents concluded with the Partner Foreign Graduate Schools.

Supplementary Provisions

(1) These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2004.

(2) The completion of the curriculum by the students who are enrolled in the graduate schools of the University as of March 31, 2004, and will continue to be enrolled on April 1, 2004, and thereafter, and other matters necessary for the education of these students are governed by the provisions of the General Regulations of Graduate Schools of Kyushu University (effective date: May 20, 1975), etc.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 195 of 2004)

These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2005.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 32 of 2005)

These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2006.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 39 of 2006)

These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2007.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 33 of 2007)

These Regulations come into effect as of December 26, 2007.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 60 of 2007)

These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2008.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 39 of 2008)

These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2009.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 51 of 2009)

These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2010.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 84 of 2010)

These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2011

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 82 of 2011)

These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2012.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 1 of 2012)

These Regulations come into effect as of May 1, 2012, and apply from March 14, 2012.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 30 of 2012)

These Regulations come into effect as of December 1, 2012.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 48 of 2012)

These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2013.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 85 of 2013)

(1) These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2014.

(2) The provisions of Article 55, paragraph (2) of the General Regulations of Graduate Schools of Kyushu University as amended by these Regulations apply to students who will be admitted to the Department of Legal Practice, the Law School, Kyushu University, on April 1, 2014, and prior regulations continue to govern the students who are enrolled as of March 31, 2014, and will continue to be enrolled therein on April 1, 2014, and thereafter.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 79 of 2014)

These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2015.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 37 of 2015)

These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2016.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 4 of 2016)

These Regulations come into effect as of June 1, 2016, and start to apply from April 1, 2016.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 87 of 2016)

These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2017.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 69 of 2017)

These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2018

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 62 of 2018)

These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2019.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 26 of 2019)

(1) These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2020.

(2) The provisions of Article 55, paragraph (2) of the General Regulations of Graduate Schools of Kyushu University as amended by these Regulations apply to students who will be admitted to the Department of Legal Practice, the Law School, Kyushu University, on April 1, 2020, and prior regulations continue to govern the students who are enrolled as of March 31, 2020, and will continue to be enrolled therein on April 1, 2020, and thereafter.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 6 of 2020)

(1) These Regulations come into effect as of October 1, 2020.

(2) The provisions of Article 10, paragraph (1), item (ii) of the General Regulations of Graduate Schools of Kyushu University as amended by these Regulations (hereinafter referred to as the “New Regulations”) apply

from April 1, 2019.

(3) The provisions of Article 24, 25, 25-2 and 29-2 of the New Regulations apply from June 30, 2020.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 38 of 2020)

These Regulations come into effect as of January 1, 2021.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No.43 of 2020)

(1) These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2021.

(2) The provisions of Articles 21 and 56 of the General Regulations of Graduate Schools of Kyushu University as amended by these Regulations apply to students who will be admitted to Kyushu University on April 1, 2021 and thereafter, and prior regulations continue to govern the students who are enrolled in Kyushu University as of March 31, 2021, and will continue to be enrolled on April 1, 2021, and thereafter.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 6 of 2020)

These Regulations come into effect as of October 1, 2021.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No.69 of 2021)

(1) These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2022.

(2) The provisions of Article 55 of the General Regulations of Graduate Schools of Kyushu University as amended by these Regulations apply to students who will be admitted to Kyushu University, on April 1, 2022, and prior regulations continue to govern the students who are enrolled as of March 31, 2022, and will continue to be enrolled therein on April 1, 2022, and thereafter.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 26 of 2022)

These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2023.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 34 of 2023)

These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2024.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 8 of 2024)

These Regulations come into effect as of June 1, 2024, and start to apply from April 1, 2024.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 16 of 2024)

These Regulations come into effect as of October 1, 2024.

Supplementary Provisions (Kyushu University Regulation No. 44 of 2024)

These Regulations come into effect as of April 1, 2025.

Appended Table 1 (Re: Article 6) (Master's programs and Ph.D. programs)

| Graduate school                                           | Department                                                                        | Quota            |          |               |          |          | Admission capacity                                                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|----------|---------------|----------|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                           |                                                                                   | Master's program |          | Ph.D. program |          |          |                                                                           |
|                                                           |                                                                                   | 1st Year         | 2nd Year | 1st Year      | 2nd Year | 3rd Year |                                                                           |
| Graduate School of Humanities                             | Department of Philosophy                                                          | 16<br>《1》        | 16       | 7             | 7        | 7        | 187<br>《4》<br>(Master's programs)<br>112<br>《4》<br>(Ph.D. programs)<br>75 |
|                                                           | Department of History and Geography                                               | 20<br>《2》        | 20       | 9             | 9        | 9        |                                                                           |
|                                                           | Department of Linguistics and Literature                                          | 20<br>《1》        | 20       | 9             | 9        | 9        |                                                                           |
|                                                           | Total                                                                             | 56<br>《4》        | 56       | 25            | 25       | 25       |                                                                           |
| Graduate School of Integrated Sciences for Global Society | Department of Integrated Sciences for Global Society                              | 60               | 60       | 35            | 35       | 35       | 225<br>(Master's programs)<br><br>120<br>(Ph.D. programs)<br>105          |
| Graduate School of Human-Environment Studies              | Department of Urban Design, Planning and Disaster Management                      | 20               | 20       | 5             | 5        | 5        | 310<br>(Master's programs)<br>190<br>(Ph.D. programs)<br>120              |
|                                                           | Department of Clinical Psychology and Community Studies                           | 11               | 11       | 9             | 9        | 9        |                                                                           |
|                                                           | Department of Behavioral and Health Sciences                                      | 17               | 17       | 10            | 10       | 10       |                                                                           |
|                                                           | Department of Education                                                           | 19               | 19       | 9             | 9        | 9        |                                                                           |
|                                                           | Department of Architecture                                                        | 28               | 28       | 7             | 7        | 7        |                                                                           |
|                                                           | Kyushu-Pusan International Joint Department of Architecture and Built Environment | —                | —        | 2             | 2        | —        |                                                                           |
|                                                           | Total                                                                             | 95               | 95       | 40            | 40       | 40       |                                                                           |

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| Graduate School of Law              | Department of Law and Politics                       | 72        | 62        | 17        | 17        | 17        | 185<br>(Master's programs)<br>134<br>(Ph.D. programs)<br>51                         |
| Graduate School of Economics        | Department of Economic Engineering                   | 20<br>[1] | 20<br>[1] | 20<br>[1] | 20<br>[1] | 10<br>[1] | 166<br>[5]<br>(Master's programs)                                                   |
|                                     | Department of Economic Systems                       | 27        | 27        | 14        | 14        | 14        | 94<br>[2]<br>(Ph.D. programs)                                                       |
|                                     | Total                                                | 47<br>[1] | 47<br>[1] | 24<br>[1] | 24<br>[1] | 24<br>[1] | 72<br>[3]                                                                           |
| Graduate School of Science          | Department of Physics                                | 41        | 41        | 14        | 14        | 14        | 429<br>(Master's programs)                                                          |
|                                     | Department of Chemistry                              | 62        | 62        | 19        | 19        | 19        | 288<br>(Ph.D. programs)                                                             |
|                                     | Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences           | 41        | 41        | 14        | 14        | 14        | 141                                                                                 |
|                                     | Total                                                | 144       | 144       | 47        | 47        | 47        |                                                                                     |
| Graduate School of Mathematics      | Department of Mathematics                            | 54<br>[8] | 54<br>[8] | 20<br>[9] | 20<br>[9] | 20<br>[9] | 168<br>[43]<br>(Master's programs)<br>108<br>[16]<br>(Ph.D. programs)<br>60<br>[27] |
| Graduate School of Medical Sciences | Master Course in Graduate School of Medical Sciences | 20        | 20        | —         | —         | —         | 124<br>(Master's programs)<br>94                                                    |
|                                     | Department of Health Sciences                        | 27        | 27        | 10        | 10        | 10        | (Ph.D. programs)<br>30                                                              |
|                                     | Total                                                | 47        | 47        | 10        | 10        | 10        |                                                                                     |
| Graduate School of Dental Sciences  | Department of Oral Science                           | 6         | 6         | —         | —         | —         | 12                                                                                  |

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| Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences | Department of Medicinal Sciences                              | 55          | 55          | 12        | 12        | 12        | 146<br>(Master's programs)<br>110<br>(Ph.D. programs)<br>36                      |
| Graduate School of Engineering             | Department of Materials                                       | 43          | 43          | 10        | 10        | 10        | ※1,191<br>1,171<br>(Master's programs)<br>※852<br>832<br>(Ph.D. programs)<br>339 |
|                                            | Department of Applied Chemistry                               | 68          | 68          | 18        | 18        | 18        |                                                                                  |
|                                            | Department of Chemical Engineering                            | 30          | 30          | 8         | 8         | 8         |                                                                                  |
|                                            | Department of Mechanical Engineering                          | 73          | 73          | 16        | 16        | 16        |                                                                                  |
|                                            | Department of Hydrogen Energy Systems                         | 35          | 35          | 9         | 9         | 9         |                                                                                  |
|                                            | Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics                    | 30          | 30          | 10        | 10        | 10        |                                                                                  |
|                                            | Department of Applied Quantum Physics and Nuclear Engineering | 30          | 30          | 10        | 10        | 10        |                                                                                  |
|                                            | Department of Naval Architecture and Ocean Engineering        | 25          | 25          | 8         | 8         | 8         |                                                                                  |
|                                            | Department of Earth Resources Engineering                     | 20          | 20          | 8         | 8         | 8         |                                                                                  |
|                                            | Department of Cooperative Program for Resources Engineering   | ※20<br>10   | ※20<br>10   | —         | —         | —         |                                                                                  |
|                                            | Department of Civil Engineering                               | 52          | 52          | 16        | 16        | 16        |                                                                                  |
|                                            | Total                                                         | ※426<br>416 | ※426<br>416 | 113       | 113       | 113       |                                                                                  |
| Graduate School of Design                  | Department of Design                                          | 120         | 120         | 30        | 30        | 30        | 330<br>(Master's programs)<br>240<br>(Ph.D. programs)<br>90                      |
| Graduate School of Information             | Department of Information Science                             | 135<br>[2]  | 105<br>[2]  | 29<br>[3] | 29<br>[3] | 29<br>[3] | 535<br>[18]                                                                      |

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| Science and Electrical Engineering                           | and Technology                                                            |                   |            |                |           |                             | (Master's programs)<br>400             |
|                                                              | Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering                       | 95<br>[1]         | 65<br>[1]  | 16<br>[1]      | 16<br>[1] | 16<br>[1]                   | [6]<br>(Ph.D. programs)<br>135<br>[12] |
|                                                              | Total                                                                     | 230<br>[3]        | 170<br>[3] | 45<br>[4]      | 45<br>[4] | 45<br>[4]                   |                                        |
| Interdisciplinary Graduate School of Engineering Sciences    | Department of Interdisciplinary Engineering Sciences                      | 172               | 172        | 62             | 62        | 62                          | 530<br>(Master's programs)<br>344      |
|                                                              | International Joint Degree Doctoral Program for Interdisciplinary Science | —                 | —          | 2              | —         | —                           | (Ph.D. programs)<br>186                |
|                                                              | Total                                                                     | 172               | 172        | 62             | 62        | 62                          |                                        |
| Graduate School of Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Sciences | Department of Bioresource Sciences                                        | 66                | 66         | 26             | 26        | 26                          | 719<br>(Master's programs)<br>488      |
|                                                              | Department of Agro-environmental Sciences                                 | 66                | 66         | 21             | 21        | 21                          | (Ph.D. programs)<br>231                |
|                                                              | Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics                         | 13                | 13         | 5              | 5         | 5                           |                                        |
|                                                              | Department of Bioscience and Biotechnology                                | 99                | 99         | 25             | 25        | 25                          |                                        |
|                                                              | Total                                                                     | 244               | 244        | 77             | 77        | 77                          |                                        |
| Graduate School of Integrated Frontier Sciences              | Department of Kansei Studies                                              | 10                | 10         | 3              | 3         | 3                           | 121<br>《2》                             |
|                                                              | Department of Automotive Science                                          | 21                | 21         | 7              | 7         | 7                           | (Master's programs)<br>82<br>《2》       |
|                                                              | Department of Library Science                                             | 10<br>《2》         | 10         | 3              | 3         | 3                           | (Ph.D. programs)<br>39                 |
|                                                              | Total                                                                     | 41<br>《2》         | 41         | 13             | 13        | 13                          |                                        |
| Graduate School of Humanities and Information Studies        |                                                                           | <6>               | —          | —              | —         | —                           | <6>                                    |
| Graduate School of Mathematics                               |                                                                           | Master's programs |            | Ph.D. programs |           | <66><br>(Master's programs) |                                        |

| for Innovation |  |                 |                |      |      |      | <24>                                                                                   |
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|                |  | <12>            | <12>           | <14> | <14> | <14> | (Ph.D. programs)<br><42>                                                               |
| Total          |  | ※1,869<br>1,859 | 1,799<br>1,789 | 570  | 570  | 570  | ※5,378<br>5,358<br>(Master's programs)<br>※3,668<br>3,648<br>(Ph.D. programs)<br>1,710 |

(Notes)

1. International students may be excluded from the quota. (excluding the International Joint Degree Program.)
2. Numbers with ※ of Department of Cooperative Program for Resources Engineering and Total are the total number of the University and Hokkaido University.
3. Numbers in angle brackets are the quotas for the joint graduate school, and they are included in the quotas for the respective graduate schools cooperating with the joint graduate school.
4. Numbers enclosed in brackets represent the enrollment quotas allocated from the Graduate School of Economics, the Graduate School of Mathematics, and the Graduate School of Information Science and Electrical Engineering to the Joint Graduate School of Mathematics for Innovation, and are included within the respective quotas of those graduate schools.
5. Numbers enclosed in double angle brackets represent the enrollment quotas allocated from the Graduate School of Humanities and the Library Science Program of the Graduate School of Integrated Frontier Sciences to the Graduate School of Humanities and Information Studies, and are included within the respective quotas of those graduate schools.

Appended Table 2 (Re: Article 6)

(Integrated doctoral program and doctoral programs at the Department of Medical Sciences of the Graduate School of Medical Sciences, the Graduate School of Dental Science, and the Department of Clinical Pharmacy of the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences)

| Graduate school                            | Department                          | Quota            |          |          |          |          | Admission capacity |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--------------------|
|                                            |                                     | Doctoral program |          |          |          |          |                    |
|                                            |                                     | 1st Year         | 2nd Year | 3rd Year | 4th Year | 5th Year |                    |
| Graduate School of Systems Life Sciences   | Department of Systems Life Sciences | 54               | 54       | 54       | 54       | 54       | 270                |
| Graduate School of Medical Sciences        | Department of Medical Sciences      | 107              | 107      | 107      | 107      | —        | 428                |
| Graduate School of Dental Science          | Department of Dental Science        | 43               | 43       | 43       | 43       | —        | 172                |
| Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences | Department of Clinical Pharmacy     | 5                | 5        | 5        | 5        | —        | 20                 |
| Total                                      |                                     | 209              | 209      | 209      | 209      | 54       | 890                |

(Note) International students may be excluded from the quota.

Appended Table 3 (Re: Article 6) (Professional degree programs)

| Graduate school                              | Department                                              | Quota                       |          |          | Admission capacity |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------|----------|--------------------|
|                                              |                                                         | Professional degree program |          |          |                    |
|                                              |                                                         | 1st Year                    | 2nd Year | 3rd Year |                    |
| Graduate School of Human-Environment Studies | Department of Clinical Psychology Practice              | 30                          | 30       | —        | 60                 |
| Law School (Professional Graduate School)    | Department of Legal Practice                            | 45                          | 45       | 45       | 135                |
| Graduate School of Economics                 | Department of Business and Technology Management        | 45                          | 45       | —        | 90                 |
| Graduate School of Medical Sciences          | Department of Health Care Administration and Management | 20                          | 20       | —        | 40                 |
| Total                                        |                                                         | 140                         | 140      | 45       | 325                |

(Note) International students may be excluded from the quota.