

# **National Yunlin University of Science and Technology, College of Design, Graduate School of Design Doctoral Program Degree Examination Regulations**

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- I. National Yunlin University of Science and Technology College of Design, Graduate School of Design (hereinafter referred to as "the Graduate School") degree examination is conducted in accordance with the "National Yunlin University of Science and Technology Graduate Degree Examination Regulations", "National Yunlin University of Science and Technology College of Design Department (graduate school) Master's and Doctoral Program Guidelines for the Appointment of Graduate Advisors and Degree Examination Operations", "National Yunlin University of Science and Technology College of Design Graduate School of Design Doctoral Program Study Guidelines, " and these examination regulations.
- II. Doctoral degree candidates who meet all the graduate school's academic requirements may apply for the degree examination with the approval of their advisor. The application for the degree examination should include the degree examination application review form, degree examination application form, transcripts of academic records, draft and abstract of the dissertation, and documents of paper publication during the study period. After review by the graduate school's doctoral program committee, upon review by the Office of Academic Affairs and approval of the President, the doctoral degree examination can be conducted.
- III. When doctoral degree candidates of the Program apply for the degree examination: Students may use two oral presentations in a foreign language at international conferences to substitute for one academic journal paper; however, exemption of international journal papers is not allowed, and only one academic journal paper may be substituted. The presented paper must not overlap with the paper used for the qualification examination. When a student presents multiple papers at the same international conference, only one paper can be used for substitution. The recognition standards for international conferences are set separately. The student should prepare the acceptance proof, original manuscript, or presentation photos of the oral presentation paper when applying for the substitution of the academic journal paper. The substitution will be granted after confirmation by the Doctoral Program Committee. In addition, the recognition standards for journals and papers,

only recognize the first author (apart from the advisor and co-advisor) to apply for substitution or related examinations.

- IV. The Doctoral Degree Examination Committee shall be conducted in accordance with the following provisions:
  - I. The Doctoral Degree Examination Committee shall consist of seven to nine members, with at least one-third (inclusive) of the members from outside the university.
  - II. The qualifications of the Doctoral Degree Examination Committee members shall be administered in accordance with the university's regulations.
  - III. The list of members and the convener of the doctoral degree examination committee are recommended by the advisor, proposed by the graduate school, and appointed by the Dean of College and the President, with the stipulation that the advisor cannot serve as the convener.
- V. The doctoral degree examination shall be conducted as an open oral examination, and the time, location, and topic of the thesis shall be announced in advance.
- VI. Students shall complete the originality check for their dissertation (the graduate school's doctoral program typically sets 15% as the standard) and provide it for the reference of the doctoral degree examination committee. After the degree examination has concluded, the advisor shall submit the score sheet along with the originality check to the office.
- VII. The doctoral degree examination score shall be determined by the average score of the committee members in attendance, with a full score of 100 and a passing score of 70. However, if one-third (inclusive) or more of the committee members rate the examination as failing, the candidate is considered failing. Candidates who fail but have not yet reached the maximum extended study period are eligible for a retake, limited to one attempt. Those who fail the retake will be dismissed.
- VIII. Doctoral degree candidates should, at the time of applying for the degree examination, schedule a public presentation of their doctoral thesis research results to share their research insights and findings with faculty and students in the graduate school. This must be completed before the end of the current semester.
- IX. Doctoral degree candidates may not apply for or hold a degree examination during a leave of absence.
- X. These regulations are to be implemented upon approval by the doctoral program council, and any amendments are subject to the same process.

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