

Regulations Governing Doctoral Students of the Department of Computer Science and Information Engineering at National Central University

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Article 1 The Regulations Governing Doctoral Students of the Department of Computer Science and Information Engineering at National Central University (hereinafter referred to as the Regulations) are stipulated per the National Central University Study Regulations and the National Central University Regulations on the Degree Examinations for Postgraduate Students.

Article 2 Admission Eligibility:

1. Students with a master's degree (or with equivalent educational levels) being admitted via the Admission Examination for Doctoral Programs at National Central University (NCU)
2. New graduates of undergraduate programs or master's students who have studied for more than one year and have been admitted via the Direct Admission into Doctoral Programs.

Article 3 Rules governing thesis advising:

1. Doctoral students should choose their thesis advisors within one year after their enrollment. If a student's thesis advisor is not a full-time faculty member of the Department of Computer Science and Information Engineering (hereinafter referred to as the Department), the advisory relationship should be reviewed and approved at the Departmental Meeting, and at least one full-time faculty member from the Department should conduct co-advising.
2. A doctoral student should seek approval from his or her thesis advisor for course selection and school-leaving procedures. For those who do not have a thesis advisor, their cases should be decided by the convenor of the Academic Committee of the Department.
3. As the thesis advisory relationship continues, students are not allowed to randomly change their thesis advisors. If students have to change their advisors due to some reasons, they must notify their former thesis advisors in advance and submit written documents to the Academic Committee of the Department to apply for a change of thesis advisor.

The change of advisor will only become effective after the review and upon approval of the Academic Committee.

Article 4 Course selection and requirements

1. Doctoral students must take a minimum of 18 credits for graduation. Students who are admitted via the Direct Admission into Doctoral Programs must take a minimum of 34 credits (including the aforementioned 18 credits of doctoral courses) for graduation.
2. During their study, doctoral students should take the compulsory courses “Seminar” (zero credit) in their first year and “Thesis Research in Computer Science” (zero credit) in their first, second, and third year.
3. Credit waiver application should be subject to the National Central University Course Credit Waiver Guidelines and the Course Credit Waiver Guidelines for Postgraduate Students in the Department of Computer Science and Information Engineering at National Central University.
4. Doctoral students who receive scholarships and grants from the Department should assist in courses related to practice or experiments for two to three hours per week.

Article 5 Concerning the rules governing the graduation requirements for doctoral students, please refer to NCU’s Graduation Requirements for Doctoral Students of the Department of Computer Science and Information Engineering.

Article 6 Implementation details not specified herein must be subject to relevant regulations of NCU and the Ministry of Education.

Article 7 The Regulations have been approved at the Departmental Meeting of the Department of Computer Science and Information Engineering and reviewed by the NCU Academic Affairs Meeting prior to their implementation. Any future amendments should follow the same administrative procedures.