## Department of Chemistry, National Sun Yat-sen University Regulations on Master's Degree Examination

( applicable for new students who enrolled in the 2015 school year or later )

- These Regulations are set according to the Degree Conferral Law and the Enforcement Rules of Degree Conferral Law established by the Ministry of Education, this university's Academic Policies and the Implementation Bylaws for Ph.D. and Master Degree Examination.
- 2. Study period related items

(1) Duration of study: duration of study is one to four years according to the Ministry of Education regulations (not including the period of deferred admission and suspended study).

- (2) Credit system and course requirements
  - 1. A student must select courses approved by his/her advisor and department chairman.
  - 2. Prior to application for degree examination, graduate students must complete the required courses and receive the minimum credits required for graduation.

## 3. Courses

(1) Six credits from research project (mandatory).

(2) For the first and second years, four credits must be gained from mandatory literature discussion courses each semester.

- (3) In addition to Items (1) and (2) mentioned above, students must gain at least 15 credits (at least nine credits must be from courses offered by this department).
- (4) Enrolled graduate students shall complete the Academic Research Ethics Education Course before the end of their first year of study pursuant to this university's Guidelines for Implementation of Academic Research Ethics Education. Those who have not passed this course are not eligible for degree examination.
- (3) Advisor selection/assignment
  - 1. Graduate students must choose an advisor before the end of the first semester. Before an advisor is selected, the department chairman shall appoint a temporary advisor.
  - 2. If a graduate student needs to change an already selected advisor, he/she must obtain written consent from both the original advisor and the new advisor.
- (4) Other

If a co-advisor is required from outside the department, the advisor's consent must be obtained and the request shall be submitted to the department chairman for approval and be kept on file.

## 3. Master's degree examination

- (1) After a graduate student has completed all requirements for graduation, he/she may proceed with the degree examination with the advisor's recommendation.
- (2) The master's degree examination committee is composed of three to five people. The members shall be nominated by the advisor according to Articles 10, 11, and 12 of this university's Implementation Bylaws for Ph. D. and Master Degree Examination. After approval by the department chairman, the chairman shall assign a member as the convener

(the advisor shall not be the convener) and ask for the President's approval for appointment.

- (3) Students who fail the degree examination and have not reached the maximum extended period of study can retake the examination in the next semester or school year. Only one re-examination is allowed. Students who fail the re-examination shall be asked to withdraw according to the university's Academic Policies.
- 4. Graduation: students who have fulfilled all of the aforementioned provisions can apply for graduation.
- 5. These Regulations shall be adopted by the Departmental Affairs Council and the College Affairs Council, and signed and submitted for the President's approval before implementation. The same applies for any amendments and revisions.