

NATIONAL TAIWAN UNIVERSITY

Directives for the Evaluation of Undergraduate Interdisciplinary Specializations

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October 24, 2022 Promulgation of amended Articles 1, 2, and 3.

- Article 1 The National Taiwan University (NTU or "the University") Directives for the Evaluation of Undergraduate Interdisciplinary Specializations ("the Directives") are formulated in accordance with Article 8 of the NTU Directives for the Implementation of Undergraduate Interdisciplinary Specializations.
- Article 2 In order to ensure the teaching quality of interdisciplinary specializations, the first evaluation procedure is scheduled to be conducted in the Academic Year 2022-23. In principle, each interdisciplinary specialization shall be evaluated every five years as the basis for improvements or termination starting in the new academic year following the establishment of the interdisciplinary specialization as approved by the Academic Affairs Meeting.
- Article 3 In order to handle the evaluation of interdisciplinary specializations, the University shall establish the Committee for the Evaluation of Undergraduate Interdisciplinary Specializations ("the Committee"). The Committee shall consist of five to nine members, with the Vice President for Academic Affairs as the chair and the Director of the Center for Teaching and Learning Development as the *ex-officio* member. The other members shall be appointed by the Vice President for Academic Affairs and shall be either a full-time faculty member of NTU or a non-NTU expert scholar. The term of office is one year and Committee members may be re-elected. The Committee may also invite student representatives or relevant personnel to attend meetings as required. Meetings of the Committee shall only be convened with more than half of the members present; a resolution shall be made with the consent of more than half of the members in attendance.
- Article 4 The Committee may establish a working group to handle the affairs concerning interdisciplinary specializations and to assist in evaluation procedures. The working group shall consist of staff members appointed by the Undergraduate Academic Affairs Division, the Curriculum Division, the Center for Teaching and Learning Development, and other relevant units if

applicable.

Article 5 The evaluation of interdisciplinary specializations shall be conducted in writing. The unit to be evaluated shall be notified of the time and relevant details of the evaluation by the Office of Academic Affairs. The interdisciplinary specialization to be evaluated shall fill out the "Undergraduate Interdisciplinary Specialization Self-Evaluation Form." The items of evaluation are as follows:

1. Positioning and features of the interdisciplinary specialization;
2. Curriculum planning of the interdisciplinary specialization;
3. Execution and performance.

Article 6 The result of interdisciplinary specialization evaluation is divided into three tiers: pass, pass with conditions, and fail. Interdisciplinary specializations that passed the evaluation with excellent performance shall be awarded by the Office of Academic Affairs.

Interdisciplinary specializations that passed with conditions shall compile a response statement within one month since the date of receipt of the evaluation result. Afterwards, the Committee shall review the statement and decide whether to issue the result of pass or not pass.

Interdisciplinary specializations that failed to pass the evaluation shall improve the items listed in the evaluation findings, and shall be evaluated again in the next academic year. If the interdisciplinary specialization still fails to pass the evaluation, it shall, in that particular semester, be suspended and reported to the Academic Affairs Meeting, in which matters such as adjustment to the interdisciplinary specialization's curriculum or its continuation shall be decided.

Article 7 The Directives shall be passed by the Academic Affairs Meeting and then implemented on the date of promulgation.