

NATIONAL TAIWAN UNIVERSITY

Directives Governing the Evaluation, Merger, and Closure of University-Level Research Centers

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Article 1 National Taiwan University (NTU or "the University") formulates the NTU *Directives Governing the Evaluation, Merger, and Closure of Research Centers* ("the Directives") in accordance with Article 9 of the NTU *Guidelines for the Establishment of University-Level Functional Research Centers* to handle matters related to the evaluation, merger, and closure of functional University-level research centers ("the research center" or, collectively, "the research centers").

Article 2 The evaluation procedures for the research centers are as follows:

1. The research centers shall submit a report on its achievements on an annual basis, and shall conduct a University-level performance evaluation ("the University evaluation") every three years in accordance with the schedule established by the University. In the years where there is no University evaluation, the research centers shall conduct a self-organized performance evaluation ("the self evaluation") on an annual basis.

2. When the self evaluation is conducted, the research centers shall submit a self evaluation report form in accordance with the schedule established by the University. When the University evaluation is conducted, the research center's advisory/consultative committee shall give its comments on and evaluate the research center's operational performance. The evaluation results of both the self evaluation and the University evaluation shall be divided into three tiers: "Pass," "Conditional Pass," and "Fail."

3. The research centers shall take necessary measures to address the comments made by the advisory/consultative committee in the preceding paragraph and include the specific results or improvement measures in the Annual Report of the following year. In addition, the research centers shall explain such results or improvement measures in the meeting of the advisory/consultative committee during the next University evaluation.

4. If a research center fails to submit the Annual Report or the self evaluation report form, the self evaluation result for that particular year shall be classified as "Conditional Pass."

5. If a research center fails to follow the schedule established by the University for the University evaluation, the University evaluation result shall be classified as "Fail."

6. In terms of the evaluation process (of either the University evaluation or the self evaluation), if a research center has passed the evaluation for the year by domestic or international evaluation institutions such as the Ministry of Education, the National Science and Technology Council, the Ministry of Health and Welfare, or institutions recognized by them, the research center shall be considered to have passed the University or self evaluation. However, the research center shall still submit the Annual Report in accordance with the schedule established by the University.

Article 3 Research centers meeting any of the following conditions may initiate the merger procedures:

1. A merger is deemed necessary based on the feedback received as per Article 2, Subparagraph 2.
2. The research center deems a merger necessary and has obtained approval from an Executive Vice President after providing specific reasons.

The Executive Vice President shall consult with the heads of the research centers designated for merger and relevant units regarding the merger plan in the preceding paragraph. The plan shall then be submitted for deliberation and approval to the Administrative Meeting.

Article 4 Research centers meeting any of the following conditions may initiate the closure procedures:

1. The research center has received the evaluation result of "Fail" (in either a self evaluation or a University evaluation) on one occasion.
2. The research center has received the evaluation result of "Conditional Pass" (in either a self evaluation or a University evaluation) on two occasions.
3. The research center deems closure necessary and has obtained approval from an Executive Vice President after providing specific reasons.

The Executive Vice President shall consult with the heads of the research center designated for closure and relevant units regarding the closure plan in the preceding paragraph. The plan shall then be submitted for deliberation and approval to the Administrative Meeting.

Article 5 Research centers designated for closure by the Administrative Meeting shall promptly manage the cessation of their tasks and transfer of personnel, properties, and projects within one year.

Article 6 Matters not addressed herein shall be subject to the applicable regulations of the University.

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

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