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Chulalongkorn University Regulation

On Graduate Studies

B.E. 2561 (2018)

Whereas it is expedient to revise Chulalongkorn University Regulations on Graduate Studies to enhance academic excellence and to ensure that the standards and quality of graduate studies achieve international recognition;

By virtue of Section 21(2) of Chulalongkorn University Act B.E. 2551 (2008), the Chulalongkorn University Council, in the 817th Meeting on 26 July 2018, hereby issues a Regulation as follows:

Clause 1. This Regulation is called the “Chulalongkorn University Regulation on Graduate Studies B.E. 2561 (2018).”

Clause 2. This Regulation shall come into force as from the Academic Year 2561 (2018) and thereafter.

Clause 3. The followings shall be repealed: Chulalongkorn University Regulation on Graduate Studies B.E. 2551 (2008) and Chulalongkorn University Regulation on Graduate Studies (No. 2) B.E. 2558 (2015).

This Regulation supersedes any prior Regulations, Rules, Announcements, insofar as they are encompassed within this Regulation or are inconsistent herewith, unless otherwise stipulated in this Regulation.

This Regulation shall not apply to any graduate program that have been specifically exempted by the University Council.

Clause 4. In this Regulation:

“University” means Chulalongkorn University

“Graduate School” means Graduate School, Chulalongkorn University

“The Administrative Board of the Graduate School” means the administrative board of the Graduate School, Chulalongkorn University

“Faculty” encompasses schools, colleges, and divisions under other designations of equivalent status to faculty, within which the program is affiliated.

“Dean” means the dean of the faculties, schools, and colleges within which the program is affiliated, and encompasses the director or head of the division under other designations of equivalent status to faculty, within which the program is affiliated.

“The Administrative Board of the Faculty” encompasses the administrative board of schools, colleges, and divisions under other designations of equivalent status to faculty.

“The Administrative Board of the Program” means the administrative board of programs within the faculties, schools, colleges, and divisions under other designations of equivalent status to faculty, which is entrusted with overseeing and developing the programs.

“Head of Department” means the head of the department within which the program is affiliated and encompasses the director of non-department programs and the director of graduate interdisciplinary programs.

“University Staff” means a university personnel, a government officer, an employee of government agencies working at the university, and a university employee.

“External Expert” means an expert who is not associated with Chulalongkorn University.

“Specialist” means a specialist of Chulalongkorn University who qualifies as an external expert possessing knowledge and expertise in a specific field of studies and meets the quality standards as prescribed by the Board of Academic Policy.

“Full-time Lecturer” means a full-time university staff with academic ranks of lecturer, assistant professor, associate professor, and professor, with duties and responsibilities in accordance with the mission of higher education, and shall include practitioners from external organizations who, in cooperation with Chulalongkorn University, engage in teaching or research, provided that the qualification of the external organization is in accordance with those specified by the University Council.

“Specialist Lecturer” means a university staff who does not hold academic ranks of lecturer, assistant professor, associate professor, and professor, but possesses knowledge and expertise in a specific field of studies and meets the quality standards as prescribed by the Board of Academic Policy, provided that such designation as a specialist lecturer be approved by the University Council.

“Full-time Lecturer of the Program” means a full-time lecturer who holds academic credentials directly pertinent or related to the field of studies taught by the program and who is assigned to teach and conduct research in that field of study. A full-time lecturer may concurrently hold the position of a Full-time Lecturer of the Program in multiple programs.

“Special Lecturer” means an individual who is not a full-time lecturer but is appointed by the University President upon the recommendation of the Dean to teach students and be responsible for overseeing a course in accordance with their expertise in each academic year.

“Program” means graduate-level programs across various fields of study, approved by the University Council and of which the Board of the Higher Education Commission has been notified for acknowledgment.

“Continuing Program” means a Doctoral and Master’s Degree Program that share the same field of studies name and where most of the courses are common and are administered continuously by the same Administrative Board of the Program.

“Interdisciplinary Program” means a program that is managed under the collaboration of at least two faculties and is administered by the Graduate School, or a program that involves the cooperation of at least two departments or divisions of equivalent status, or a program that is managed under the collaboration of at least two faculties and is administered by one of the cooperating faculties.

“Student” means a student of Chulalongkorn University, encompassing both full-time and part-time, except otherwise specified.

“Bachelor’s-Master’s Dual Degree Program” means a combination of an undergraduate program and a Master Degree program that have been approved by the Board of Academic Policy, wherein an undergraduate student is permitted to pursue studies concurrently in a Master Degree program, which may be in the same or a different field of studies. The completion of both programs shall comply with the requirements as prescribed by the respective program.

Clause 5. For purposes beneficial to academic objectives, the University President may, by issuing a University Announcement, prescribe rules or conditions for the studies of each program that deviate from this Regulation, provided that such deviation receives prior endorsement from the Board of Academic Policy.

The standards of the rules or conditions stipulated in paragraph one shall not be inferior to the rules and conditions set forth in this Regulation.

Clause 6. The University President shall have charge and control over the execution of this Regulation.

In case where problems arise under this Regulation, the University President shall deliver the final adjudication.

The University President, upon endorsement by the Administrative Board of the Graduate School, shall have power to issue Rules or Announcements for any purposes deemed necessary for graduate studies under this Regulation.

General Provision

Clause 7. All University staff, special lecturers, and external experts engaged in the execution of graduate studies in accordance with this Regulation shall possess the requisite qualifications prescribed by the University's Rules that are in effect and as determined by the Board of Academic Policy.

Clause 8. For the purpose of ensuring the effective administration of graduate studies, the Dean of the Graduate School may issue a Graduate School's Announcements for any purposes in accordance with this Regulation.

For the implementation of this Regulation, the Dean, upon endorsement by the Administrative Board of the Faculty, may issue a Faculty's Announcement to prescribe Rules governing compliance with this Regulation within that Faculty, provided that such Rules are not inconsistent with this Regulation.

Chapter 2

Education Management

Section 1

Academic System

Clause 9. The graduate studies shall be governed by credit-based systems encompassing semester, trimester, or other systems as specified by the University Council.

Clause 10. There are two academic system as follows:

(1) A semester system is an academic system that divides an academic year into 2 semesters, which are the first semester and the second semester, with an optional inclusion of the summer semester following the second semester.

(2) A trimester system means an academic system that divides an academic year into 3 trimesters, which are the first trimester, the second trimester, and the third trimester.

In the case of the semester system, each semester shall encompass a study duration of not less than 15 weeks, whereas the summer semester shall encompass a study duration of not less than 6 weeks and not exceeding 8 weeks, provided the total cumulative teaching hours for each course offered in the summer semester remain commensurate with the teaching hours allocated for a semester.

In the case of the trimester system, each trimester shall encompass a study duration of not less than 12 weeks, and the teaching of each course shall be conducted in accordance with Clause 11, ensuring that the number of teaching hours in a trimester is equivalent to that of a semester. Furthermore, 1 trimester-based credit shall be equivalent to 1 semester-based credit.

Clause 11. A unit denoting the amount of academic study is called a “Credit.” The assignment of credits for each course is subject to the following criteria:

(1) A theory-based course, comprising not less than 15 hours of lecture or discussion for the duration of a semester, is assigned 1 semester-based credit.

(2) A laboratory-based course, comprising not less than 30 hours of practice or experiment for the duration of a semester, is assigned 1 semester-based credit.

(3) A training or fieldwork, comprising not less than 45 hours of practice for the duration of a semester, is assigned 1 semester-based credit.

(4) An individual study or a thesis, comprising not less than 45 hours of study and research for the duration of a semester, is assigned 1 semester-based credit.

Any program utilizing an academic system other than those specified must clearly delineate criteria for calculating credits and provide details on equating these credits to the semester system. Such provisions must be explicitly outlined in the Official Documentation of the Program.

Clause 12. A course listed in the Official Documentation of the Program, requiring students to obtain a designation of S but not factoring into the total credits required for program completion, shall be designated as a “non-credit course.”

Students, who obtain a designation of U in the course under paragraph one, are required to re-register in that course.

Clause 13. “Study Credit” means the number of credits for which the student has registered, which are classified into 3 categories as follows:

(1) “Credit Attempted: CA” means the total number of credits from all courses, graded with A, B+, B, C+, C, D+, D, and F, which the student has registered in each semester.

(2) “Cumulative Credit Attempted: CAX” means the cumulative number of credits from all courses, graded with A, B+, B, C+, C, D+, D, and F, which the student has registered in all semesters, and includes all courses that the student registers more than one occasion.

(3) “Credit Granted: CG” means the total number of credits which the student has obtained a designation of A, B+, B, C+, C, and S. In case where a student has passed a course more than one occasion or has passed a course deemed equivalent to one previously passed, only the credits from the first successful attempt will

be counted. Exceptions may apply if the subsequent successful attempt involved a course with content differing from that previously attempted and the Administrative Board of the Program has approved such re-registration.

Section 2

Period of Study

Clause 14. A “Period of Study” means a duration that a student undertakes to complete their studies and produce academic work as determined by the program, which include completing coursework, conducting research, and producing a thesis or individual study, as well as publishing their academic work.

The Period of Study under paragraph one shall commence from the inaugural semester of the student’s primary enrollment into the program and conclude in the semester wherein the student successfully passes all requisite examinations and fulfills all criteria as determined by the program.

Clause 15. An individual enrolled in a Graduate Diploma Program and Advanced Graduate Diploma Program shall not have their Period of Study exceeding that as specified in the program and approved by the University Council.

Clause 16. An individual enrolled in a full-time Master’s Degree Program shall have their Period of Study not exceeding 4 academic years.

Clause 17. An individual enrolled in a full-time Doctoral Degree Program shall have their Period of Study determined based on the following criteria:

- (1) Not exceeding 6 academic years for an individual who enters the program with a master’s degree.
- (2) Not exceeding 8 academic years for an individual who enters the program with a bachelor’s degree.

Clause 18. A part-time student shall have their Period of Study not exceeding 1.5 times the period as stipulated in Clause 15, Clause 16, or Clause 17, as applicable.

Section 3

Language of Instruction

Clause 19. The language of instruction for graduate programs may be delivered in either Thai or a foreign language.

The language for the writing of a thesis or individual study shall be determined by the Administrative Board of the Program.

The stipulation regarding the language under paragraph one and two shall be duly communicated to prospective applicants preceding their formal application submission.

Chapter 3

Program

Section 1

Program Offerings

Clause 20. The programs offered in graduate studies are categorized as follows:

(1) A Graduate Diploma Program is an academic program designed to enhance professional expertise or efficiency for applicants who have completed a Bachelor's degree or its equivalent.

(2) A Master's Degree Program is an academic program designed to foster academic advancement and research in various fields of studies, advancing beyond the level of Bachelor's degrees, for applicants who have completed a Bachelor's degree or its equivalent, as well as to applicants who are concurrently enrolled in a Bachelor's degree program that is part of a Bachelor's-Master's dual degree arrangement with the Master's Degree Program.

(3) An Advanced Graduate Diploma Program is an academic program designed to enhance professional expertise or efficiency for applicants who have completed a 6 -year Bachelor's degree, a Master's degree, or their equivalents. In the case of a Specialized Professional Program, eligible applicants may include those who have completed a Graduate Diploma Program.

(4) A Doctoral Degree Program is an academic program designed to foster academic advancement and research in various fields of studies, advancing beyond the level of Master's degrees.

Section 2

Program Structure

Clause 21. A Graduate Diploma Program and an Advanced Graduate Diploma Program shall consist of a minimum total of 24 credits.

Clause 22. A Master's Degree Program shall consist of a minimum total of 36 credits, divided into two distinct academic plans:

- (1) "Plan A," which emphasizes research, and requires the completion of a thesis.
- (2) "Plan B," which emphasizes coursework, and does not require a thesis.

A field of study that offers Plan B must also provide Plan A as an option for students, whereas a field of study that offers Plan A may provide Plan B, subject to the criteria as determined by the Board of Academic Policy.

Clause 23. A Master's Degree Program under Plan A, as specified in Clause 22(1), is further subdivided into two types:

- (1) "Type A1," consisting exclusively of 36 thesis credits.
- (2) "Type A2," consisting of a minimum of 12 thesis credits and 12 coursework credits, with the combined total of both components amounting to at least 36 credits.

Clause 24. A Master's Degree Program under Plan B, as specified in Clause 22(2), in the field of science shall consist of a minimum total of 6 credits of individual study, whereas in other fields of study, the program shall consist of a minimum of 3 credits and not exceed 6 credits of individual study.

Clause 25. A Doctoral Degree Program, which emphasizes research that contributes new knowledge of high academic quality, is divided into two distinct academic plans:

- (1) "Type 1," which requires only thesis work.
 - (a) "Type 1.1" requires a minimum of 48 thesis credits, for applicants entering the program with a Master's degree.
 - (b) "Type 1.2" requires a minimum of 72 thesis credits, for applicants entering the program with a Bachelor's degree.
- (2) "Type 2," which requires both coursework and thesis.
 - (a) "Type 2.1," requires a minimum of 12 coursework credits and a minimum of 36 thesis credits, for applicants entering the program with a Master's degree.
 - (b) "Type 2.2," requires a minimum of 24 coursework credits and a minimum of 48 thesis credits, for applicants entering the program with a Bachelor's degree.

Clause 26. For a Continuing Program, the program structure of a Doctoral Degree Program must include Type 1.1, Type 1.2, Type 2.1, and Type 2.2, whereas the program structure for a Master's Degree Program must solely offer Plan A, encompassing both Type A1 and Type A2.

Clause 27. The Administrative Board of the Program may require a student to enroll in specific coursework or engage in other academic activities that complement their studies on a non-credit basis.

Chapter 4

Admission

Section 1

Qualification of Applicants

Clause 28. Applicants to a Graduate Diploma Program or other degrees offered by the University must possess the academic qualifications as stipulated in Clauses 29 to 32 of the programs approved by the government. For applicants not seeking diplomas or other degrees from the University, in accordance with Clause 41, eligibility may include those currently undertaking or having completed Bachelor's or Master's degrees, subject to the criteria as determined by each program as well as possessing other qualifications as determined by the Administrative Board of the Program.

The determination of qualifications under paragraph one must be endorsed by the Administrative Board of the Faculty on an annual basis.

Clause 29. Applicants to a Graduate Diploma Program must possess a Bachelor's degree or its equivalent.

Clause 30. Applicants to an Advanced Graduate Diploma Program must possess a six-year Bachelor's degree, a Master's degree, or their equivalent, except for a Specialized Professional Program, eligible applicants may include those who have completed a Graduate Diploma Program.

Clause 31. Applicants to a Master's Degree Program must possess a Bachelor's degree or its equivalent, or be currently undertaking in a Bachelor's degree at the University that offers a continuing Bachelor's-Master's program or a Bachelor's-Master's Dual Degree program.

Applicants to the Master's Degree Program Plan A Type A1 must possess a degree in the same field of studies as the Master's Degree Program to which they are applying, or be concurrently undertaking in a continuing Bachelor's-Master's program or a Bachelor's-Master's Dual Degree program.

In case an applicant possesses qualifications in other fields of studies, eligibility shall be determined by the Administrative Board of the Program. This determination shall be duly communicated to prospective applicants preceding their formal application submission, except where the Administrative Board of the Program grants an exemption on a case-by-case basis.

Clause 32. Subject to Clauses 66 and 97, applicants to a Doctoral Degree Program must possess one of the following qualifications:

(1) A Master's degree or its equivalent

(2) A Bachelor's degree or its equivalent in the same field of studies as the Doctoral Degree Program to which they are applying, or in other fields as determined by the Administrative Board of the Program, with academic results not less than those accorded to Honors.

For a Continuing Program, applicants must possess the qualifications for Master's Degree Programs or Doctoral Degree Programs as stipulated in paragraph one or Clause 31. Additionally, applicants must have passed the foreign language proficiency test for Master's Degrees as determined by the Board of Academic Policy.

Clause 33. An individual whose graduate student status has been terminated due to the exhaustion of the Period of Study as determined by the program without graduation, or due to their Cumulative Grade Point Average falling below the specified minimum, shall not be permitted to re-enroll in the same program. Exceptions to this rule may be granted only with the endorsement of the Administrative Board of the Program.

Section 2

Admission Criteria and Procedures

Clause 34. Admission procedures may encompass written examinations, selection, or other methods as determined by the Administrative Board of the Program.

The Administrative Board of the Program may consider admitting an applicant to a program at a lower or higher level within the same field of study as the program to which the applicant is applying, should the applicant lack the requisite knowledge for the intended program or possess knowledge exceeding that required by the program.

The procedures stipulated in paragraphs one and two must receive endorsement from the Administrative Board of the Faculty.

Clause 35. Applicants to a Doctoral Degree Program or a Master's Degree Program are required to have passed the English proficiency test as specified by the University or as determined by the Administrative Board of the Program, with endorsement from the Administrative Board of the Faculty.

The Administrative Board of the Program, with the endorsement of the Administrative Board of the Faculty, may specify English proficiency criteria that exceed those specified by the University.

Clause 36. In cases where applicants do not possess academic records from their Bachelor's or Master's degrees, admission shall be contingent upon the submission of proof of graduation or an academic record for the Bachelor's-Master's Dual Degree Program to the Office of the Registrar within the specified deadline.

Clause 37. Applicants to graduate programs are prohibited from enrolling in more than one field of graduate studies concurrently, except where the study does not lead to the awarding of a diploma or degree from the University in accordance with Clause 41, or where the study is part of a Bachelor's-Master's Dual Degree Program.

Clause 38. The admission of any applicant to a graduate program must be approved by the Administrative Board of the Faculty.

Section 3

Students Classifications

Clause 39. Applicants admitted to a Graduate Diploma Program or any graduate degree programs at the University shall be accorded a "student" status, which is categorized into two classifications:

- (1) A conditional student.
- (2) A regular student.

The Administrative Board of the Faculty may admit applicants as conditional students, with the exception of those enrolling in Master's Degree Programs Plan A Type A1 or Doctoral Degree Programs Type 1.

Clause 40. Applicants to a Continuing Program must be classified as either Doctoral Degree students or Master's Degree students at the time of admission, in accordance with the qualifications set forth in Chapter 4, Section 1. A student may submit a request to be classified as a Doctoral or Master's Degree student, in accordance with the criteria set forth in Chapter 8, Section 1.

Clause 41. Applicants seeking to study at the University without obtaining a diploma or degree shall be categorized into three classifications:

- (1) A visitor in a specific course.
- (2) A research student.
- (3) An inter-university student.

The admission of applicants stipulated in paragraph one must be endorsed by the Administrative Board of the Faculty.

Clause 42. The Administrative Board of the Program may admit an individual who is not a student as a visitor in a specific course, provided that such enrollment does not exceed 6 credits per semester and the course registration is completed within the period as determined by the Office of the Registrar.

Clause 43. The Administrative Board of the Program may admit graduate students from other universities or institutions, both domestic and international, to conduct research on specific subjects at the University either on a semester-by-semester basis or during an appropriately designated period.

The Administrative Board of the Program may also propose the revocation of a research student's status if it determines that the student has not made appropriate progress, has displayed inappropriate behavior, or for other reasons deemed expedient by the Administrative Board of the Program.

Procedures stipulated in paragraphs one and two must be officially recorded at the Graduate School. In the case of international students, the Graduate School must notify the Office of International Affairs and Global Networks for their reference.

Clause 44. The Administrative Board of the Program may admit graduate students who are concurrently enrolled in other universities or institutions, both domestic and international, as inter-university students, where it permits students to transfer credits and academic records to contribute to their studies in their respective programs at the other university or institution, provided that the course registration is completed within the period as determined by the Office of the Registrar.

Chapter 5

Registration

Section 1

Initial Enrollment

Clause 45. An individual who has been admitted and conferred student status by the University shall complete their initial enrollment by furnishing requisite documents and corroborative evidence as determined by the Office of the Registrar, as well as registering for their respective courses and remitting tuition along with any other pertinent fees, if any.

Section 2

Course Registration

Clause 46. A course registration is divided into 2 classifications.

(1) A regular registration shall be executed before the commencement of each semester.

(2) A late registration shall be executed within the first 2 weeks of the semester or within the first week of the summer semester.

Details regarding the date, time, and procedure for a course registration shall be determined by the Office of the Registrar.

In circumstances where necessity precludes a course registration within the period specified in paragraph one, the Director of the Office of the Registrar may, on a case-by-case basis, grant special permission for a course registration.

Clause 47. A course registration for a regular student is categorized into two classifications:

(1) A full-time regular student shall register for courses or a thesis up to a maximum of 15 credits per semester.

(2) A part-time regular student shall register for courses or a thesis up to a maximum of 6 credits per semester.

During the summer semester, a student may register for courses or a thesis up to a maximum of 6 credits.

Any deviation from the course registration limits specified in paragraph one may be permitted only upon approval by the Director of the Office of the Registrar.

A course registration for an undergraduate-level course shall be graded using only the designations of S or U.

In cases where a student is required to register for an undergraduate-level or graduate-level course to enhance foundational knowledge, and such a course is graded using the designations of S or U, the student must also register for a minimum of 3 credits in compulsory courses of the graduate program in which they are enrolled, unless the student has already passed all compulsory courses or is enrolled in an academic plan that emphasizes exclusively on thesis work.

A Doctoral Degree student who has completed all seminar courses as determined by their respective program and remains unable to graduate must register for a Doctoral Dissertation Seminar in each semester until graduation.

Clause 48. A course registration for a conditional student is categorized into two classifications:

(1) A full-time conditional student shall register for graduate-level compulsory courses of their enrolled program for a minimum of 6 credits in their inaugural semester.

(2) A part-time conditional student shall register for graduate-level compulsory courses of their enrolled program for a minimum of 3 credits in their inaugural semester.

Courses that a conditional student is required to register for in their inaugural semester shall be determined by the Administrative Board of the Program and shall contribute to the calculation of the Cumulative Grade Point Average.

At the conclusion of the inaugural semester, a conditional student must achieve a Cumulative Grade Point Average of not less than 3.00 and receive a designation of S from non-credit courses to qualify for a status transition to a regular student.

Clause 49. A course registration as a visitor in a specific course may be permitted subject to the endorsement of the course instructor and the Administrative Board of the Program. Should any course impose restrictions on the number of students, a visitor in a specific course may be admitted with lower priority.

Clause 50. A student may register for a thesis course in their inaugural term. Should the student register for all credits for the thesis course as determined by the program but remain unable to complete the thesis, the student must continue to register for the thesis course on a non-credit basis and is required to pay the full tuition fee along with other pertinent fees, if any.

Clause 51. A student may register for courses offered by other institutions in lieu of those specified in their program, for transfer and inclusion in the Cumulative Grade Point Average, provided that such courses do not exceed one-third of the total credits of the enrolled program. Such a registration is subject to prior endorsement by both the Administrative Board of the Program and the Administrative Board of the Faculty before any proceedings commence. In cases where the program provides a special arrangement, the course registration shall conform to the Directives as determined by that program.

Section 3

Course Exemption

Clause 52. A student may be granted an exemption from a certain course within the program of study, provided the student has previously undertaken and successfully passed a graduate-level course, the content of which is equivalent to that of the course from which exemption is sought, and wherein the student has obtained a designation of S, a grade of not less than B, or their equivalent.

A students may utilize an academic record from graduate-level courses previously undertaken in an undergraduate program or through non-formal education, or their equivalents, to request an exemption for a similar course in a graduate program. In the case of graduate-level courses taken as part of an undergraduate program, such courses must be registered beyond the total credit requirements of that undergraduate program and require approval from the Administrative Board of the Faculty for such exemptions.

The course from which an exemption is sought under paragraph one must have been completed within the 5 academic years immediately preceding the semester in which the course exemption is being sought.

A course exemption may be granted for no more than one-third of the total credits required for the enrolled program, excluding thesis credits. In cases where division results in a fractional number, the fractional component shall be disregarded, unless falling into the following circumstances where a course exemption without limitations on credits are permitted:

- (1) A student changes the field of studies in accordance with Clause 102.
- (2) A student transitions through a continuing education arrangement from a Bachelor's to a Master's degrees, or from a Bachelor's to a Doctoral degrees.
- (3) A student has previously enrolled in a graduate program or completed graduate-level courses through non-formal education or an equivalent of a university.

An application for a course exemption shall be submitted within the first semester of initial enrollment and shall require the endorsement of the Administrative Board of the Program and the approval of the Administrative Board of the Faculty. In this context, the Administrative Board may require the applicant to undergo a proficiency test.

Clause 53. In case where a course exemption has been granted, and the student has subsequently studied and passed the non-exempted courses within their program, it shall be deemed that the student has successfully completed all courses in accordance with the total number of credits stipulated for that program, unless additional course of study is mandated.

Section 4

Course Addition, Dropping, and Withdrawal

Clause 54. A course addition, dropping, and withdrawal shall be in accordance with the timeline determined by the Office of the Registrar.

A request for a course dropping or withdrawal must demonstrate that at least one course remains registered for that semester.

Section 5

Course Re-registration

Clause 55. A course re-registration is subject to the following criteria:

(1) A student who obtains a designation of D+ D F U or W from a compulsory course is required to re-register for that course until the student obtains a designation of A B+ B C+ C or S. Failure to meet this requirement will render the student ineligible for graduation.

(2) A student who obtains a designation of D+ D F U or W from an elective course may re-register for that course or opt for an alternative course.

(3) In addition to cases under (1) and (2), a student may re-register for any courses in which the student has obtained a designation of C+ or C.

(4) A student may re-register for a course that does not have the same content as previously registered, subject to the endorsement of the Administrative Board of the Program.

(5) A student who registers for courses in accordance with Clause 47 paragraph six, or for courses as determined by the Graduate School.

Chapter 6

Instruction and Examination

Section 1

Instruction

Clause 56. An instruction, scheduling of instruction, and selection of course instructors for courses within the program shall be determined by the Administrative Board of the Program.

The qualifications of course instructors shall be in accordance with the University's Rules.

Clause 57. Course instructors are required to be responsible for educational activities, and the assessment of the designated course, which can be carried out by Full-time Lecturers, Special Lecturers, or Specialists.

Clause 58. For thesis supervision, a Full-time Lecturer of the Program must be appointed as the primary thesis supervisor, unless for academic purposes, no more than two additional co-supervisors may be appointed.

The qualifications and workload of thesis supervisors and individual study supervisors shall be in accordance with the University's Rules.

Section 2

Course Examination

Clause 59. A course examination is an examination intended to assess students' learning outcome, which may manifest in the form of a written examination or other evaluative methods, provided this information shall be communicated to students at the beginning of the semester or summer semester.

A student is required to take course examinations for all courses in which they are registered, except in cases where the student is enrolled as a visitor in a specific course, has formally withdrawn from the course, or has been granted a leave of absence.

Clause 60. A student is required to attend a minimum of 80 percent of the total study period for each course to qualify for course examinations, unless otherwise permitted by the course instructor.

Clause 61. The schedule for course examinations of each semester shall be in accordance with the Announcements of the Faculty or the University, which shall be communicated to students in advance.

The schedule for course examinations during a semester shall be determined by the course instructor or the Faculty.

Section 3

Comprehensive Examination

Clause 62. A comprehensive examination for Master's Degree Programs may manifest in the form of a written or oral examination covering a student's major and other relevant fields of study in order to assess the student's ability to integrate knowledge acquired throughout the program.

The criteria and procedures for administering a comprehensive examination shall be in accordance with the University's Rules.

Clause 63. A student shall be eligible to take a comprehensive examination under the following criteria:

- (1) A student has successfully completed all compulsory courses designated as prerequisites by the Faculty with which the student is affiliated.
- (2) A student has registered for the comprehensive examination course in the semester during which the student intends to undertake the examination.
- (3) A student has complied with additional criteria as determined by the program.

Section 4

Qualifying Examination

Clause 64. A qualifying examination for Doctoral Degree Programs is intended to assess a doctoral candidate's foundational knowledge, analytical skills, and their potential and readiness to conduct independent research as part of the student's doctoral studies.

The criteria and procedures for administering a qualifying examination shall be in accordance with the University's Rules.

Clause 65. A student shall be eligible to take a qualifying examination under the following criteria:

- (1) A student has obtained approval of the Administrative Board of the Program.
- (2) A student has registered for the qualifying examination course in the semester during which the student intends to undertake the examination. In cases where the student is admitted to the program with a Master's degree or a Bachelor's degree with Honors, the student shall be eligible to register for a qualifying examination during their inaugural semester.

Subject to paragraph one, a student who enters the program as part of a continuing education arrangement with a Bachelor's degree without Honors may register for the qualifying examination under the following criteria:

- (1) A student in Plan A Type A1 must have completed at least 1 semester of registration and demonstrated thesis progress as determined by the Administrative Board of the Program.
- (2) A student in Plan A Type A2 must have registered for at least 9 credits within the program and achieved a Cumulative Grade Point Average exceeding 3.25.

Clause 66. A student in a Doctoral Degree Program is required to take a qualifying examination and obtain a designation of S within the specified periods from their inaugural semester, as follows:

(1) Within 4 semesters for the semester system and 6 trimesters for the trimester system, for a student admitted to the program with a Master's degree.

(2) Within 5 semesters for the semester system and 7 trimesters for the trimester system, for a student admitted to the program with a Bachelor's degree.

For a program that requires more than 30 credits of coursework, the aforementioned periods shall be extended by 1 additional semester. This extension must be communicated to the Office of the Registrar for official record.

A student who fails the qualifying examination with a designation of U may re-register to take an additional qualifying examination within the periods as stipulated in paragraph one.

Periods of leave of absence in accordance with Clause 107(1)(2) and (5) shall not be included in the calculation of the periods as stipulated in paragraph one.

The Administrative Board of the Program, with the endorsement of the Administrative Board of the Faculty, may mandate that a student complete the qualifying examination prior to the exhaustion of the periods as stipulated in paragraph one. Such a requirement must be formalized in a Faculty Announcement prior to the admission of students into the program.

Section 5

Thesis Proposal Examination

Clause 67. A thesis proposal examination is intended to assess a student's knowledge and understanding of major issues, research methodologies, approaches, and techniques pertinent to addressing potential problems within the student's research domain.

A thesis proposal examination for a Doctoral Degree Program must encompass an assessment of both fundamental and advanced knowledge critical for conducting a thesis to ensure that a student possesses the requisite knowledge to sufficiently undertake their research.

Clause 68. A student is required to submit their thesis proposal to the Administrative Board of the Program, in accordance with criteria and within the timeline established by the Dean, subject to the endorsement of the Administrative Board of the Faculty.

The thesis proposal along with the names of the thesis supervisor and thesis examiners must be endorsed by the Administrative Board of the Program and subsequently approved by the Administrative Board of the

Faculty, provided they conform to the criteria and timelines as determined by the Administrative Board of the Faculty.

The criteria and timelines stipulated in paragraphs one and two must be formalized in a Faculty Announcement.

Clause 69. An approval of a student's thesis proposal must occur within the period as determined by the Administrative Board of the Faculty and must comply with the following criteria:

- (1) Within 2 academic years from the inaugural semester for Master's Degree Programs.
- (2) Within 3 academic years from the inaugural semester for Doctoral Degree Programs.
- (3) At any time for a Doctoral Degree student in a Continuing Program, subject to Clause 72(2).

The Administrative Board of the Program, with endorsement from the Administrative Board of the Faculty, may mandate that a student in the program must take a thesis proposal examination and obtain approval for the thesis proposal prior to the exhaustion of the periods as stipulated in paragraph one. Such a requirement must be formalized in a Faculty Announcement prior to the admission of students into the program.

A student whose thesis proposal is not approved within the period as stipulated in paragraph one shall have the student status terminated. In cases where there are necessary and appropriate reasons, the Administrative Board of the Faculty may grant an extension of 1 additional semester, and, in which case, the Faculty is required to notify the Office of the Registrar of this extension.

Clause 70. Upon approval of the thesis proposal, the Faculty shall prepare an Announcement detailing the thesis title, the student's name, and the names of the thesis supervisor and examiners, and this Announcement must be forwarded to the Graduate School for further dissemination.

A change to the thesis supervisor or examiners may be permitted for necessary and appropriate reasons, subject to approval by the Administrative Board of the Faculty, and such a change must be communicated to the Graduate School for reference and further dissemination.

Section 6

Thesis and Independent Study Examination

Clause 71. A thesis examination and an independent study examination are intended to assess a student's knowledge and understanding of major issues, research methodologies, approaches, and techniques pertinent to solve research problems.

A thesis examination for a Doctoral Degree Program must encompass an assessment of both fundamental and advanced knowledge critical for conducting a thesis to ensure that a student possesses the requisite knowledge to sufficiently undertake their research.

A thesis examination shall be conducted by appointed thesis examiners, while an independent study examination shall be conducted by appointed independent study examiners, subject to the University's Rules.

Clause 72. A student shall be eligible to take a thesis examination under the following criteria:

(1) A student has successfully completed all coursework as determined by the program.

(2) A student's thesis proposal has been approved by the Administrative Board of the Faculty at least 60 days prior to the scheduled thesis examination date. Should the thesis proposal not require major revision and the Administrative Board of the Faculty approves the thesis examination date before the aforementioned period, the period shall commence from the date the thesis proposal was approved by the Administrative Board of the Program.

(3) A student has provided evidence that a research article forming part of the thesis has been submitted to an academic journal for publication consideration, or proof of acceptance to present the work at an academic conference, in accordance with the criteria set forth in the University's Rules or Announcements.

(4) A student has passed an English or foreign language proficiency test as specified by the University or the Administrative Board of the Program.

(5) A student has satisfied other criteria as determined by the Administrative Board of the Faculty.

A student intending to take a thesis examination must comply with the procedures and timelines determined by the Administrative Board of the Program and the Administrative Board of the Faculty.

Clause 73. A thesis examination shall be conducted openly, and outsiders may participate as observers, unless it is deemed necessary to protect confidential data that is part of the thesis. In such cases, the chair of the thesis examiners or the thesis supervisor may decide to restrict access to the examination.

Clause 74. The format of a thesis or an independent study shall conform to the standards established by the Graduate School.

A student is required to submit a completed thesis or independent study to the Graduate School in the quantity specified, following the procedures outlined, and within the timeline set forth in the Graduate School's Announcement.

In accordance with the Period of Study specified in Chapter 2, Section 2, a student who submits a completed thesis after the deadline specified in paragraph two shall not be eligible to graduate in that semester and must register for a thesis course under Clause 50 in the subsequent semester.

Clause 75. Intellectual property arising from a thesis or an independent study shall vest in the student who has employed creativity in its creation, except under circumstances where the study, experiment, or

research associated with the thesis or independent study, in whole or in part, has utilized tools, materials, equipment, laboratories, locations, or other facilities owned by the Faculty or the University, or if the student has received funding for their studies or research from the University or their supervisor, whether directly or indirectly, the copyright in such instances shall belong to the University.

Clause 76. A student's academic work must be published, or accepted for publication or dissemination, in accordance with the University's Rules.

Clause 77. The publication or acceptance for publication of a student's academic work, as stipulated under Clause 76, is a prerequisite for graduation. This requirement must be fulfilled within the Period of Study specified in Chapter 7, Section 2 of this Regulation.

Section 7

Academic Misconduct

Clause 78. In cases of academic misconduct by a student, Clause 15 of the Chulalongkorn University Regulation on Undergraduate Studies B.E. 2556 (2013) and its subsequent amendments shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

Chapter 7

Assessment

Section 1

Grading Designation

Clause 79. Grading for a thesis shall be executed according to the following levels as outlined below.

- (1) Very Good
- (2) Good
- (3) Pass
- (4) Fail

Clause 80. Grading for each course shall be executed with the following designations, each of which carries specific meanings and weights as outlined below.

Designation	Meaning	Weight
A	Excellent	4.0
B+	Very Good	3.5
B	Good	3.0
C+	Fairly Good	2.5
C	Fair	2.0
D+	Poor	1.5
D	Very Poor	1.0
F	Fail	0.0
I	Incomplete	-
P	In progress	-
S	Satisfactory	-
U	Unsatisfactory	-
V	Visitor	-
W	Withdrawn	-
M	Missing	-
X	No report	-

Section 2

Grading Criteria

Clause 81. Grading shall be executed at the conclusion of each semester or summer semester in accordance with the criteria stipulated in this section.

Any revision or change to a grade must be conducted within the semester immediately following the semester in which the grading occurred and require approval from the Administrative Board of the Faculty.

Clause 82. Grading using the designations A B+ B C+ C D+ D S, F or U shall be executed based on the following criteria:

(1) For a course wherein a student takes examinations and/or produce works subject to hierarchical grading.

(2) For a transition from the designation I, provided the final grade has been before the conclusion of the first 2 weeks of the subsequent semester in which the student is registered.

(3) For a transition from the designations M P or X.

Clause 83. Grading using the designation F or U, in addition to Clause 82, shall be executed based on the following criteria:

(1) For a course where the course instructor does not permit students to take course examinations:

(2) In cases where cheating or violations of examination-related Rules, Regulations or Orders, as established by the University, Faculty, Department, or Program, are identified, and the Administrative Board of the Faculty considers it to constitute substantial academic misconduct and deems expedient to award a designation of F or U.

(3) For a transition from the designation I in cases where there is no grading of examination or work after the conclusion of the first 2 weeks of the subsequent semester in which the student is registered.

(4) For a transition from the designation M in cases a student fails to appear for the course examination and remain unable to furnish complete evidence justifying such absence after the conclusion of the first 2 weeks of the subsequent semester.

Clause 84. Grading using the designation I shall be executed based on the following criteria:

(1) A student falls ill prior to the conclusion of the semester and remains ill, leading to an inability to take some or all course examinations, and the Dean, upon review of the request and consideration of the opinions of the course instructor and the Head of the Department (if applicable), deems it expedient that the contents of the student's studies are only marginally incomplete and does not constitute a significant portion of the course requirement.

(2) A student has completed the coursework by the end of the semester and falls ill during the course examination, leading to an inability to take some or all course examinations, and obtain approval from the Dean.

(3) A student fails to appear for a course examination due to force majeure, and the Administrative Board of the Faculty with which the student is affiliated grants approval in accordance with the criteria set forth by the University Announcement on Criteria for Granting Approval in case of Force Majeure for Undergraduate Students, which applied *mutatis mutandis*.

(4) A student is unable to complete work constituting a portion of the course requirements, and the course instructor considers it expedient to postpone the grading, provided such a decision must be supported by the endorsement of the Head of the Department. The course instructor shall then provide a written notification to the Office of the Registrar along with the submission of grades of other students registered in that course.

In cases of a transition from the designation I pursuant to (1) and (2), the final grade may be considered not to exceed a designation of B or reflect the actual grade received, in accordance with the criteria as specified by the University Announcement on Student Inability to Take Examination Due to Illness for Undergraduate Studies, which applied *mutatis mutandis*.

Clause 85. In cases in accordance with Clause 84(1) or (2), a student must submit a formal request to the Dean for approval within 1 week from the date when the student first became ill, or from the date of recovery from a serious illness that precluded submission within the stipulated period, accompanied by a medical certificate obtained from the Chulalongkorn University Health Centre, a governmental health institution, or a private health institution accredited by the Ministry of Public Health.

Clause 86. Grading using the designation P for a coursework shall be executed at the conclusion of the first semester in which a student is registered for coursework and shall not extend beyond two consecutive semesters.

Clause 87. Grading using the designation of S shall be executed upon the assessment being deemed satisfactory in the following cases:

- (1) For a course which the program specifies to be graded in a non-hierarchical manner or a non-credit basis.
- (2) For a thesis assessment graded by the thesis supervisor for each semester.
- (3) For a comprehensive examination assessed by comprehensive examination examiners.
- (4) For a qualifying examination assessed by qualifying examination examiners.

Clause 88. Grading using the designation of U shall be executed following the determination that the results of coursework, thesis, comprehensive, or qualifying examination are unsatisfactory.

Clause 89. An assessment of a thesis under Clauses 87 and 88 shall be conducted in accordance with the criteria and procedures determined by the Administrative Board of the Faculty. These criteria and procedures must be formalized in a Faculty Announcement and communicated in advance.

Clause 90. Grading using the designation V shall be executed for a course wherein a student is granted approval to register as a visitor in a specific course, accompanied by the course instructor's decision that the student has demonstrated sufficient diligence throughout the course.

Clause 91. Grading using the designation W for a course in which a student is registered shall be executed after the conclusion of the first 6 weeks of the semester or the first 2 weeks of the summer semester, but only under the following circumstances:

- (1) A student has formally withdrawn from the course.
- (2) A student falls ill prior to the conclusion of the semester and remains ill, leading to an inability to participate in some or all course examinations, provided that the student complies with Clause 84, which applied *mutatis mutandis*.
- (3) A student has been granted a leave of absence.
- (4) A student is suspended during that semester for reasons not related to violations of Regulations, Rules, Announcements, or Orders concerning examinations as stipulated by the Program, Department, Faculty, or University.
- (5) The Dean approves the transition from designation I in accordance with Clause 84(1)(2) or (3) when it appears that the illness or force majeure does not cede within the first 2 weeks of the semester subsequent to the semester in which the student was registered.
- (6) A student has registered for a course as a visitor in a specific course, and the course instructor determines that the student does not demonstrate sufficient diligence throughout the course.
- (7) A student has registered for a course contrary to the Rules, conditions, or provisional requirements as determined by the program.

Clause 92. Grading using the designation M shall be executed for a course in which a student fails to appear for the course examination and remains unable to furnish complete evidence justifying such absence.

Clause 93. Grading using the designation X shall be executed for a course for which the Office of the Registrar has not received an assessment report within the specified timeline.

Section 3

Calculation of Grade Point Average

Clause 94. The calculation of the Grade Point Average of each student shall be executed at the conclusion of each semester.

Clause 95. Grade Point Average is divided into 2 classifications:

- (1) A Semester Grade Point Average shall be calculated based on a student's grades for each semester by summing the assigned credits and the weight of each designation the student receives for each course and subsequently dividing the sum by the total number of Credit Attempted (CA).

(2) A Cumulative Grade Point Average shall be calculated based on a student's grades from the semester of initial enrollment until the semester of calculation by summing the assigned credits and the weight of each designation the student receives for each course and subsequently dividing the sum by the total number of Cumulative Credit Attempted (CAX).

The grades from the summer semester shall be combined with the grades of the subsequent semester in which a student is registered and with calculable credits for the purpose of the classification of the student status, with the exception of the final summer semester completed by the student in the program.

Chapter 8

Transition of Education Status

Section 1

Continuing Program

Clause 96. A Master's Degree student may request a transition to a Doctoral Degree student from the second semester onward under the following criteria:

(1) For a transition from Master's Degree Program Plan A Type A2 to Doctoral Degree Program Type 2.2, a student must have registered for at least 9 credits and maintain a Cumulative Grade Point Average of no less than 3.25.

For a transition from Master's Degree Program Plan A Type A1 to Doctoral Degree Program Type 1.2, a student must demonstrate satisfactory thesis progress as determined by the Administrative Board of the Program.

(2) A student must have passed an English or foreign language proficiency test for Doctoral Degree Program applicants, in accordance with the criteria as determined by the Board of Academic Policy.

(3) For a transition approved by the Administrative Board of the Program.

The Administrative Board of the Program may establish additional criteria for such a transition, subject to the endorsement of the Administrative Board of the Faculty.

Clause 97. A Doctoral Degree student may request a transition to a Master's Degree student upon the approval of the Administrative Board of the Program under the following criteria:

(1) A student has formally submitted a request for a transition to Master's Degree-level status.

(2) A student has not passed the qualifying examination within the prescribed period and has submitted a request for a transition in educational status.

(3) A student has received the designation of U twice from the qualifying examination.

Clause 98. Upon granting approval for transition, all credits earned by a student from coursework shall be transferred to the program to which the student is transitioning, along with the corresponding assessment designations received. These credits and designations shall be included in the calculation of the student's academic record for the entirety of the program.

Clause 99. In determining a student's Period of Study, the Period of Study shall commence from the first semester of the student's enrollment at the University, irrespective of any transition in educational level.

Clause 100. A student who is admitted to a Doctoral Degree Program but subsequently has their doctoral student status terminated due to failure to pass the thesis proposal examination or failure in the thesis examination may request to re-enter a Master's Degree Program. Such a request must be accompanied by an application submitted in the semester subsequent to the semester in which the student's doctoral student status is terminated.

Upon re-entry, the student's Period of Study shall commence anew from their first semester in the Master's Degree Program.

All credits earned by the student from coursework shall be transferred to the program to which the student reenters, along with the corresponding assessment designations received. These credits and designations shall be included in the calculation of the student's academic record for the entirety of the program.

Clause 101. The Administrative Board of the Program shall review and consider admissions to the program, transitions of educational level, and requests for re-entry, forward its endorsement to the Administrative Board of the Faculty for approval, and notify the Office of the Registrar within two weeks of such approvals.

Section 2

Change of Field of Study

Clause 102. A student may request to change their field of study to another within the University, subject to approvals from the Administrative Board of the Program and the Administrative Boards of the Faculties to which the student is currently affiliated and to which the student wishes to transfer, under the following criteria:

(1) A student must have completed no less than 1 semester and no more than 1 academic year of study at the University.

(2) A student must maintain a Cumulative Grade Point Average of no less than 3.00.

Clause 103. A student who is approved for a change in their field of study may be granted an exemption for required courses as determined by the Administrative Board of the Faculty.

Section 3

Change of Academic Plan

Clause 104. A student admitted to an academic plan under Plan A is not permitted to request a change to Plan B, whereas a student admitted to an academic plan under Plan B may request to change to Plan A, subject to approval by the Administrative Board of the Program, which shall then notify the Graduate School for reference.

Chapter 9

Leave of Absence

Clause 105. A student who wishes to temporarily suspend their academic activities with the University may request a leave of absence from the Dean, accompanied by necessary evidence. Such a request is subject to prior endorsement from the Administrative Board of the Program, except in cases of leave during thesis writing, where endorsement must be received from the Administrative Board of the Faculty.

A request for leave of absence as stipulated in paragraph one shall be submitted by the last teaching date of the semester, as specified in the academic calendar.

Approval for a leave of absence may be granted for no more than two consecutive semesters at a time. Should a longer leave of absence be required, the student must submit a new request.

The period of a leave of absence shall not coincide with an approved extension of a student's Period of Study due to force majeure under Clause 112.

Clause 106. Upon approval of a student's request for a leave of absence, the student is required to continue paying fees to retain their student status for each semester during the leave, unless tuition and other fees for that semester have been previously settled.

During the leave of absence, the student shall not be permitted to utilize any educational equipment or facilities belonging to the University, nor may they participate in any educational activities.

Clause 107. A leave of absence may be requested by a student who has completed registration for at least 1 semester, except under the following circumstances:

- (1) A student is subjected to mandatory conscription or summoned for military duties.
- (2) A student conducts research overseas, which forms part of the thesis.
- (3) A student is suffering from an illness requiring hospitalization for a duration extending beyond 3 consecutive weeks.
- (4) A student is suffering from an illness mandating a recovery period of 3 consecutive weeks as prescribed by a medical professional.
- (5) A student receives an international exchange student scholarship or other scholarships without direct educational benefit to the student's graduate study.
- (6) Force majeure or other circumstances where necessity precludes a study during that semester, for which proof must be provided.

A leave of absence under (3) and (4) must be accompanied by a medical certificate obtained from the Chulalongkorn University Health Centre, a governmental health institution, or a private health institution accredited by the Ministry of Public Health, and in (3), a receipt detailing fees for room accommodations at the health institution must be provided.

Clause 108. The period during which a student takes a leave of absence shall be counted as part of the student's Period of Study, except for leaves granted under Clause 107(1), (2), (3), or (5).

A leave of absence under Clause 107(2), which is not included in the Period of Study, may be granted for 1 semester only. Any additional duration will be counted as part of the student's Period of Study.

A leave of absence under Clause 107(5), which is not included in the Period of Study, may be granted for 1 academic year only. Any additional duration will be counted as part of the student's Period of Study.

The exclusion of the period of leave of absence under Clause 107(4) and (6) from the student's Period of Study is contingent upon approval by the Administrative Board of the Graduate School.

In cases where a leave of absence under Clause 107(2), (4), (5), and (6) is granted without inclusion in the Period of Study, the Faculty is required to notify the Office of the Registrar only upon approval of such non-inclusion.

Chapter 10

Termination and Reinstatement of Student Status

Clause 109. A student status shall be terminated under the following circumstances:

- (1) Death.
- (2) Resignation.

(3) A student has fulfilled all program requirements and been conferred a diploma or a degree certificate.

(4) After the first 2 weeks of the semester, a student fails to register for courses or to maintain the student status, with non-payment of tuition, fees, or other special fees (if applicable);

(5) At the conclusion of the inaugural semester, a conditional student obtains a Cumulative Grade Point Average below 3.00, obtains a designation of U in non-credit courses, or fails to meet the established criteria for a conditional student as determined by the Administrative Board of the Program with endorsement from the Administrative Board of the Faculty.

(6) A regular student obtains a Cumulative Grade Point Average below 2.50 or obtains a Grade Point Average in the inaugural semester below 2.50.

(7) A regular student obtains a Cumulative Grade Point Average as from 2.50 and less than 3.00, which is called “probationary status”, for 2 consecutive semesters.

(8) A student obtains 2 designations of U from a comprehensive examination.

(9) A student obtains 2 designations of U or does not obtain a designation of S within the period specified in Clause 66 from a qualifying examination, except where the student is enrolled in a Continuing Program who has been approved of the transition to the Master’s Degree level by the Administrative Board of the Program.

(10) A student fails to pass a thesis proposal examination within the specified period.

(11) A student’s thesis proposal has not been approved by the Administrative Board of the Faculty within the specified period.

(12) A student obtains 2 designations of U based on a review of thesis writing progress, for 2 consecutive semesters. Where a leave of absence is granted between these semesters, such designations shall be considered consecutive.

(13) A student fails a thesis examination.

(14) A student has exhausted the Period of Study as specified in Chapter 2, Section 2 without fulfilling the graduation requirements.

(15) A student has received an order from the University to have the student status terminated due to the failure to meet application requirements for the Program or the violation of Regulations, Rules, Announcements of the University or the Faculty pertaining to examinations or student discipline.

A request for resignation under (2) must be submitted to the Faculty’s Registrar and shall be approved by the Dean.

In cases of (7), all semesters shall be counted towards the student’s academic assessment, except when the student takes a leave of absence, the assessment for the summer session shall be included in the assessment for the subsequent semester for which the student registers.

Clause 110. A student whose student status is terminated due to non-compliance with course registration requirements or failure to maintain student status, and who has not paid tuition and fees within the

period specified in Clause 109(4), may request for the reinstatement of the student status within the semester of termination, contingent upon the endorsement of the Administrative Board of the Faculty and the approval by the University President.

Clause 111. A student who has submitted a complete thesis to the Graduate School but has not satisfied all graduation requirements shall comply with the following procedures:

(1) If the Period of Study has not yet exhausted, the student must comply with the requirements necessary to retain their student status.

(2) If the Period of Study has exhausted, the student may request an extension of this period and shall retain their student status for the semester in which the extension is granted, in accordance with the criteria specified in the University's Announcement.

Clause 112. In the event of force majeure that precludes a student from graduating within the Period of Study as stipulated in Clauses 16 or Clause 17, the student may submit a request for an extension of the Period of Study to the Administrative Board of the Program and then the Administrative Board of the Faculty. Upon endorsement by the Administrative Board of the Faculty, the request, accompanied by an assessment of thesis writing for each semester, shall be forwarded to the Administrative Board of the Graduate School, which shall be subsequently presented to the University President for consideration and approval.

Chapter 12

Graduation

Clause 113. A student who shall be eligible to submit a request for a diploma or degree certificate under this Chapter must meet the qualifications and comply with the procedures as follows:

(1) A student must have completed course registration and achieved passing credits as determined by the program, with a Cumulative Grade Point Average of no less than 3.00.

(2) A student's Period of Study must not exceed the maximum Period of Study as determined by the Program and in accordance with the provisions outlined in Chapter 2, Section 2 of this Regulation.

(3) A student must have successfully published, or been accepted for publication, parts of the thesis or individual study as stipulated under Clause 76.

Clause 114. A student in a Master's Degree Program shall be eligible to graduate upon fulfilling the following criteria:

(1) For Plan A programs, a student must have successfully completed and passed all required coursework within the program, passed the thesis proposal examination, passed the thesis examination, and met all other requirements as determined by the Program, the Faculty, and the University.

(2) For Plan B programs, a student must have successfully completed and passed all required coursework within the program, completed an independent study, passed the comprehensive examination, and met all other requirements as determined by the Program, the Faculty, and the University.

A student in a Bachelor's-Master's Continuing Program or a Bachelor's-Master's Dual Degree Program shall be eligible to graduate from the Master's Degree Program contingent upon a successful graduation from the Bachelor's Degree Program.

Clause 115. A student in a Doctoral Program shall be eligible to graduate upon having successfully completed and passed all required coursework, passed the qualifying examination to be eligible for the thesis proposal examination, passed the thesis proposal examination, passed the thesis examination, and met all other requirements as determined by the Program, the Faculty, and the University.

Clause 116. A student who has fulfilled all the requirements stipulated in this Chapter must formally declare their intention to receive a diploma or degree certificate to the Office of the Registrar by the specified deadline. Failure to do so may result in a fine as specified in the University Announcement, and the student's name may not be submitted to the University Council for approval to receive the diploma or degree certificate for that semester.

A student who is approved by the Administrative Board of the Faculty to graduate by the last date of the academic year, as specified by the University, and who receives subsequent approval from the University Council, shall be entitled to receive the diploma or degree certificate at the commencement ceremony of that academic year.

Transitory Provision

Clause 117. Students who entered the programs prior to the Academic Year 2561 (2018) shall be subject to the Chulalongkorn University Rules on Graduate Studies B.E. 2542 (1999) and its subsequent amendments, the Chulalongkorn University Regulation on Graduate Studies B.E. 2551 (2008) and its subsequent amendments, as well as the Announcements and Orders of the Faculty and the University that were in effect at the time of their enrollment, which shall govern the student's participation in the graduate program until the termination of their student status.

Clause 118. In cases where the program has not been revised, or revisions could not be completed in time for Academic Year 2561, the Chulalongkorn University Regulation on Graduate Studies B.E. 2551 (2008) and its

subsequent amendments, as well as the Announcements and Orders of the Faculty and the University that were in effect at that time, shall continue to govern the program until the University Council approves the revised program.

Given on the 31st July B.E. 2561 (2018)

(signed)

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President of the University Council