

# NATIONAL TAIWAN UNIVERSITY

## Directives for the Implementation of Undergraduate Honors Programs

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Article 1 The *National Taiwan University* (“the University”) *Directives for the Implementation of Undergraduate Honors Program* (“the Directives”) are formulated to encourage second-year undergraduate students (or above) who are interested in scholarly research to engage in difficult, in-depth studies with rigorous learning assessment that allow such students to commit to a specific field of research at an early stage and to cultivate research talent equipped with innovation and international competitiveness.

Article 2 Departments and degree programs (collectively, “departments”) planning to establish an undergraduate honors program (“honors program”) shall formulate the establishment directives. The establishment directives shall be passed by their respective college, reported to the Academic Affairs Meeting for approval, and then implemented. The establishment directives shall include the following:

1. Operation methods
2. Required course credits and total credits
3. Lecturers and advisors
4. Application qualifications (e.g., year of study, prerequisites, and minimum GPA) and approval procedures
5. Criteria for passing the program and review procedures
6. Other special rules and regulations

The chair of an honors program shall be assumed by the chair of the program-offering department.

Article 3 The curriculum planning for an honors program shall consist of at least 12 credits and shall include advanced courses and Thesis (b.s.).

Article 4 Students with a semester GPA of 3.30 for every semester may apply to enroll in an honors program.

To apply for an honors program, students shall submit an application in accordance with the regulations of their home departments (including their second majors). If the application is approved, students shall be assigned an advisor.

Article 5 Students who finish all honors program course subjects and complete the thesis within period of study may apply for a qualification review with the program-offering department by the end of October in the fall semester or March in the spring semester in the academic year of graduation.

Students who pass the reviews by the program-offering department and the Office of Academic Affairs may have “Undergraduate Honors Program” noted on their degree diplomas, transcripts of academic records, and relevant proof documents.

- Article 6 Matters not addressed herein shall be subject to the University's *Academic Regulations* and other applicable regulations.
- Article 7 The Directives shall be passed by the Academic Affairs Meeting and then implemented on the date of promulgation.