

Q1: During the same period, if someone is the principal investigator or co-principal investigator of more than two (inclusive) research projects from National Science and Technology Council, can all of these be considered for exemption from evaluation?

A1: As per National Taiwan University Directives for the Establishment and Operation of the Faculty Evaluation Exemption Eligibility Review Panel, under point 4, item 1: 'Should a faculty member concurrently serve as the principal investigator or co-principal investigator of two or more research projects, only one project may count towards evaluation exemption.'

Q2: According to Article 3, Item 1, Clause 2 of the National Taiwan University Directives for the Establishment and Operation of the Faculty Evaluation Exemption Eligibility Review Panel, regarding the scoring of the National Science and Technology Council's projects: 'When considering completed projects for evaluation exemption, the number of points awarded shall be based on the actual execution time period of the project. When considering ongoing projects for evaluation exemption, the number of points awarded for projects carried out for less than one year shall be the same as that carried out for a full year. However, the number of points awarded for projects expected to last less than one year shall be based on the actual duration of the project as of its completion date.' How should this be calculated or converted?

A2: The method of counting ongoing projects is explained as follows:

- a) For an ongoing 1-year project, if it has been executed for 3 months, and is less than 1 year, it is counted as 1 year.
- b) For an ongoing project with a whole-year duration, if the execution exceeds 1 year, it is counted as 1 year (12 months). For example, for an ongoing 3-year project that has been executed for 1.5 years (18 months), it is counted as 2 years (24 months); if it has been executed for 2.5 years (30 months), it is counted as 3 years (36 months).
- c) For ongoing projects with non-whole-year durations, if the execution exceeds 1 year, the count only goes up to the project's end date. For example, for an 18-month project that has been executed for 15 months, which exceeds 1 year, it is counted up to 18 months, not 24 months.