

NATIONAL TAIWAN UNIVERSITY

Regulations for the Implementation of Exploration Credits Policy

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June 06, 2023 Promulgation of the Regulations

Article 1 National Taiwan University (NTU or "the University") formulates the *NTU Regulations for Implementation of Exploration Credits Policy* ("the Regulations") to motivate students to actively engage in interdisciplinary learning.

Article 2 First-year and second-year undergraduate students of the University enrolled in courses not offered by their major department (degree program) may apply to designate such courses as exploration credits.

However, students who have taken only one course in the semester and have failed that course by the original grade may not apply.

Article 3 The following courses may not be designated as exploration credits:

1. Courses offered by the student's major or double-major department (degree program).
2. General courses, including College Chinese, Freshman English, freshman foreign language courses, Online English Program, Service Learning, and physical education courses.
3. All-out Defense Education Military Training.
4. Courses taken during overseas studies approved by NTU.
5. Type 1 courses of summer session.
6. Courses designated to be excluded from exploration credits by the student's major or double-major department (degree program).

Article 4 Exploration credits shall be calculated in the semester grades as follows:

1. For courses with a passing grade (C- or higher), the semester grade will be marked as "PASS" and the original grade will not be displayed on the transcript or be included in the GPA calculation. However, the number of credits earned in the course will remain.
2. For courses that are failed by the original grade, the course record will not be included in the transcript.

The maximum exploration credits allowed for each student are limited to six credits. If the sum of the credits for a course and the existing exploration credits exceed this limit, the application for such courses shall not be approved, and grades of such courses will be calculated based on the original manner.

Article 5 Applicants shall submit their applications on the University's website after the end of the final examinations specified in the academic calendar of the University for the semester in which the course is taken and by the end of the first week after the classes begin in the following semester. Late submissions will not be accepted.

The grade calculation of courses that have been approved for recognition as exploration credits may not be requested to revert to the original grade calculation.

Article 6 All course fees and other course-related expenses students shall pay in accordance with applicable NTU regulations are not affected by the recognition of the courses as exploration credits. Any fees paid are non-refundable and the outstanding balance shall still be paid.

Article 7 Matters not addressed herein shall be subject to the NTU Academic Regulations and other relevant regulations.

Article 8 The Regulations shall be passed by the Academic Affairs Meeting and then implemented on the date of promulgation.