

National Chung Hsing University Cross-Disciplinary Expertise Development Program Implementation Regulations

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- Article 1 These regulations are stipulated by National Chung Hsing University (hereinafter refer to as the University) as guidelines to provide a range of flexible course structures and cross-disciplinary study options to encourage students to develop secondary expertise which may help their further studies or employment.
- Article 2 The cross-disciplinary expertise referred to in the regulations can be developed by taking cross-disciplinary expertise courses provided by departments (degree programs) or colleges of NCHU. Courses shall include core knowledge of different fields and shall be at least 28 credits and 32 credits at most. Details of the courses shall be submitted to and approved by the Curriculum Committee of departments, colleges and NCHU, and issued by the Curriculum Section. The specialized cross-disciplinary expertise will be printed on students' graduate certificates if they complete their cross-disciplinary expertise courses.
- Article 3 Students can only take cross-disciplinary expertise courses after applying to and being approved by their departments (degree programs) and the departments (degree programs) or colleges offering the cross-disciplinary expertise courses. Students who take cross-disciplinary expertise courses shall complete basic compulsory courses offering by their departments (degree programs) and NCHU, the professional electives or other recognized courses by their departments (degree programs) and the selected cross-disciplinary expertise courses. The total shall be no less than 128 credits.
- Article 4 Departments (degree programs) or colleges offering cross-disciplinary expertise courses have two ways to implement the courses. One is to plan cross-disciplinary expertise courses for students of other departments (degree programs). Another is to stipulate regulations to allow students of their departments (degree programs) to take cross-disciplinary expertise courses. Departments (degree programs) or colleges may implement courses in both ways or either of them.
- Article 5 For students whose departments do not have cross-disciplinary expertise courses but their applications are approved by departments (degree programs) or colleges offering these courses, their departments (degree

programs) shall decide whether to recognize their credits of the cross-disciplinary [expertise](#) courses they [have taken](#) as credits of elective courses. For students who have completed all compulsory courses and fulfilled both the required amount of credits of their departments (degree programs) and credits of cross-disciplinary expertise courses, their cross-disciplinary expertise will be printed on their graduate certificates.

- Article 6 For students whose compulsory courses and credits are the same as the ones offered by the departments (degree programs), [double major, minor, or other cross-disciplinary expertise programs](#) providing [cross-disciplinary](#) expertise courses, they shall take other elective courses that are related to their expertise and designated by the departments (degree programs) or colleges providing [cross-disciplinary](#) expertise module courses.
- Article 7 Departments (degree programs) or colleges offering [cross-disciplinary](#) expertise courses shall designate one full-time teacher to lead a group of mentors to [guide](#) students taking their [cross-disciplinary](#) expertise courses.
- Article 8 If students have fulfilled the credits of the compulsory courses of their cross-disciplinary [expertise](#) courses and also pass the courses before their applications to [cross-disciplinary](#) expertise courses are approved, their credits can be recognized afterward if approved by the departments (degree programs) or colleges offering [cross-disciplinary](#) expertise courses.
- Article 9 Students taking cross-disciplinary [expertise](#) courses shall complete the application forms within 2 weeks of the registration date of the semester. After being signed and approved by the supervisor of their departments (degree programs), signed and approved by the responsible teachers of the departments (degree programs) or [colleges](#) offering [cross-disciplinary](#) expertise courses, the application forms will be submitted to the Registration Division.
- Article 10 Students who take cross-disciplinary [expertise](#) courses and want to withdraw from [the courses](#) shall complete application forms before [week 11 or 12 on the academic calendar](#) and be approved by the departments (degree programs) or colleges offering [cross-disciplinary](#) expertise courses, and apply to the Registration Division to rescind their cross-disciplinary [expertise](#) qualification. For students who have taken and pass the [cross-disciplinary](#) expertise courses, their credits can be recognized as compulsory course credits to [their](#) departments (degree programs) after being approved by [their departments](#) (degree programs) or colleges and submitted to the Registration Division for future reference.

- Article 11 Students of undergraduate programs taking cross-disciplinary [expertise](#) courses do not have to pay credit fees during years of study. Students who take less than 9 credits when extending their years of study shall pay credit fees, while students take 10 credits and above shall pay full tuition. Students of extension education programs shall pay for the credits taken of the current semester.
- Article 12 For students who have taken [cross-disciplinary](#) expertise courses and fulfilled the requirements of the courses, the title of their cross-disciplinary expertise shall be printed on the graduate register, transcript for all semesters, and degree certificate. However, no [cross-disciplinary](#) expertise-related certificate shall be issued if students have not completed the courses and credits.
- Article 13 Students shall not extend their years of study when taking cross-disciplinary [expertise courses](#) but not complete the required credits of [the courses](#) when their two-year extension of years of study is due.
- Article 14 Any matter that is not fully provided for under these Regulations shall be in accordance with academic regulations and other regulations of the University.
- Article 15 These Regulations shall be published and implemented after approval by the Academic Affairs Meeting of the University. The same shall be applicable in the event of any amendment.