

National Chung Hsing University Cross-Disciplinary Program and Secondary Expertise Development 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 secondary expertise referred to in the regulations can be developed by taking cross-disciplinary secondary expertise module courses provided by departments (degree programs) or colleges of NCHU. Module courses shall include core knowledge of different fields and shall be at least 28 credits and 32 credits at most. Details of the module courses shall be decided by departments (degree programs) or colleges, submitted to and approved by the Curriculum Committee of departments, colleges and NCHU, and issued by the Curriculum Section. “Cross-disciplinary expertise” will be printed on students’ graduate certificates if they complete their cross-disciplinary secondary expertise module courses.
- Article 3 Students can only take cross-disciplinary secondary expertise module courses after applying to and being approved by their departments (degree programs) and the departments (degree programs) or colleges offering the secondary expertise modules courses. Students who take cross-disciplinary courses shall complete basic compulsory courses offering by their departments (degree programs) and NCHU, the cross-disciplinary secondary expertise module courses by their departments (degree programs) and the cross-disciplinary module courses (which are regarded as cross-disciplinary module expertise) by other departments (degree programs). The total shall be no less than 128 credits.
- Article 4 Departments (degree programs) or colleges offering cross-disciplinary secondary expertise module courses have two ways to implement the courses. One is to plan cross-disciplinary module courses for students of other departments. Another is to stipulate regulations to allow students of their departments to take cross-disciplinary module 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 module 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 module courses they have taken as credits of elective courses. For students who have complete all compulsory courses,

fulfill both of the required amount of credits of their departments (degree programs) and credits of cross-disciplinary secondary expertise module courses, their secondary expertise will be regarded as cross-disciplinary expertise and printed on their graduate certificates as the latter.

- Article 6 For students whose compulsory courses and credits are the same as the ones offered by the departments (degree programs) providing secondary expertise module courses, they shall take other elective courses that are related to their secondary expertise and designated by the departments (degree programs) or colleges providing secondary expertise module courses.
- Article 7 Departments (degree programs) or colleges offering secondary expertise module courses shall designate one full-time teacher to lead a group of mentors to guide students taking their module courses.
- Article 8 If students have fulfill the credits of the compulsory courses of their secondary expertise module courses and also pass the courses before their applications to cross-disciplinary module courses are approved, their credits can be recognized afterwards if approved by the departments (degree programs) or colleges offering secondary expertise module courses.
- Article 9 Students taking cross-disciplinary module courses shall complete the application forms within 2 weeks of the registration day. 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 secondary expertise courses, the application forms will be submitted to the Registration Section.
- Article 10 Students who take cross-disciplinary secondary expertise module courses and want to withdraw from the courses shall complete application forms before the deadline (December 1st -31st for the first semester, May 1st – 31st for the second semester), be approved by the departments (degree programs) or colleges offering cross-disciplinary secondary expertise module courses, and apply to the Registration Section. For students who pass the courses, their credits can be recognized as compulsory course credits after being approved by their departments (degree programs) and submitted to the Registration Section for future reference.
- Article 11 Students of [bachelor's program](#) taking cross-disciplinary secondary expertise module 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 taking cross-disciplinary secondary expertise module courses and fulfil the requirements of the courses, the title of their secondary expertise shall be printed

on the graduate register, transcript for all semesters and degree certificate. However, no cross-disciplinary secondary expertise related certificate shall be issued if students have not complete the courses and credits.

Article 13 Students shall not extend their years of study when taking cross-disciplinary secondary expertise module courses but not completing 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.