[Appendix] Guidelines for the Examination of Doctoral Degrees (Doctor of Health Sciences or Science in Nursing)

1 [Research content].

The research content of the doctoral course should contribute to the development of health science, nursing science and medical technology science.

2 [Main Thesis 1]

Original paper in which the applicant is the first author, and which were accepted by a peer-reviewed journal while the applicant was enrolled in the doctoral course.

3 [Main Thesis 2,3]

A thesis that has been accepted outside of [main thesis 1] during the doctoral program or in the last five years. For details, see the detailed regulations of the respective fields.

- 4 For credit withdrawal students, the thesis accepted after credit withdrawal may be the main thesis.
- 5 [PhD Thesis (Dissertation)]
 - (1) The Dissertation should be based on the content of the main thesis.
 - (2) After successful examination, the Dissertation is submitted to the University.
- 6 [PhD Thesis examination (PhD Thesis Presentations, etc.)
 Subject to the acceptance of the main thesis, a Dissertation Review Committee may be constituted to commence the review of the content of the Dissertation.

Following the above degree review procedures, the following detailed regulations will be established in each study field.

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- Detailed regulations for the main thesis 1:
- (1) In principle, the thesis should be written in English.
- (2) In the case of Japanese-language thesis, the article must have been accepted as an original work in the journal of an organization registered as an academic association with the Science Council of Japan. Paper types other than original papers (e.g. practice reports, research reports, etc.) are not included.
- Detailed regulations for the main thesis 2, 3
- (1) At least one paper other than the main thesis 1 must have been accepted. These are referred to as main thesis 2, 3, etc.

However, the following are additional matters to be included in the thesis.

- (a) Whether in English or Japanese.
- (b) Whether original or review articles.
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Date of application of the detailed regulations.

- (1) The regulations apply from FY 2004 degree-seeking students.
- (2) The regulations apply from FY 2010 degree-seeking students.
- (3) The regulations apply from FY 2015 degree-seeking students.

Additional clause

This declaration applies from 28 June 2002.

Additional clause

This declaration applies from 1 October 2010.

Additional clause

This declaration applies from 14 January 2016.

Additional clause

This declaration applies from 1 April 2018.

Additional clause

This declaration applies from 14 July 2022.