G-33 Department of Forestry (Department, Graduate programmes)
Graduation Requirements for Master Students enrolled after Yera 2021 (Inclusive)

Items	Notes
Period of study: 1. Minimum years of period of study: 1 year 2. Maximum years of period of study: 4 years (excluding 2 years of suspension)	Part-time students may apply for a one-year extension of study.
Minimum credits for graduation (physical education and citizen national defense education are not included): 30 credits, including: 1. Courses：Minimum of required credits: 4 、Minimum of elective credits: 20 2. Master thesis：6 credits	Students are considered to have passed both academic and conduct assessment with a grade of 70 or above. Students who fail in conduct will be dismissed. The average of academic grades comprises 50 % of the overall graduation grades. ※Required credits + Elective credits + Master Thesis = minimum credits for graduation。
Credits transfer: Maximum 12 credits	According to NCHU Regulation for Credits Transfer, students should apply for credits transfer prior to the deadline of course addition/withdrawal of the semester in which they are admitted.
Undergraduate credits from discipline-related courses may be counted as graduation credits.	According to NCHU Regulation on Course Registration, the number of credits students should take is determined by their advisor or the department chairperson. Students who need to take undergraduate courses for research purposes, besides the credits for graduation, may take undergraduate courses with the consent of the instructor. The course may be counted as graduation credits after obtaining the approval form the advisor, and relevant department committee. Nevertheless, the maximum for such undergraduate credits: 6 credits.
Recognition of credits from other departments/graduate institutes: maximum No upper limit in terms of maximum credit, subjected to review and approval by academic supervisor credits	This includes credits earned through inter-institutional course selection.
Core courses and credits：10 credits	Students who fail the required coursework are required to retake it Students who fail to complete the required coursework are not allowed to graduate

Coursework Title	Remarks
Master's Thesis	All specializations, 6 credits
Seminar on Forest Biology & Conservation (I)	Core for Forest Biology Specialization, Seminar (I) and (II) can be taken in either academic semester, but must be completed across a total of 4 semesters (for a total of 4 credits).
Seminar on Forest Biology & Conservation (II)	
Seminar on Forest Management & Administration (I)	Core for Forest Management Specialization, Seminar (I) and (II) can be taken in either academic semester, but must be completed across a total of 4 semesters (for a total of 4 credits).
Seminar on Forest Management & Administration (II)	
Seminar on Physical Aspects of Forest Products (I)	Core for Forest Products Specialization (Physical), Seminar (I) and (II) can be taken in either academic semester, but must be completed across a total of 4 semesters (for a total of 4 credits).
Seminar on Physical Aspects of Forest Products (II)	
Seminar on Chemical Aspects of Forest Products (I)	Core for Forest Products Specialization (Chemical), Seminar (I) and (II) can be taken in either academic semester, but must be completed across a total of 4 semesters (for a total of 4 credits).
Seminar on Chemical Aspects of Forest Products (II)	

Department (Institute) designated remedial courses: No credits for remedial courses are required, and these will not be counted toward graduation credits.	According to NCHU Master's Program Regulations, students should take certain prerequisite courses at the undergraduate level, which are decided by advisors and chairperson. Prerequisite credits will not be counted as graduation credits. Students are not eligible to attend the thesis defense until they complete the prerequisite courses.
Master's student thesis defence examination: 1. Students should discuss with their advisors prior to the end of the first academic year. 2. Before applying for the dissertation examination, students must obtain proof of completion of academic ethics education. This requirement will be determined by the respective department (institute, or graduate program). 3. Students who completed the minimum of enrollment, fulfill graduation credits, and complete the draft of the thesis should apply for oral defense at least 20 days prior to the oral defense. The passing grade for defense is 70.	1. The dissertation examination score constitutes 50% of the final graduation grade. 2. Students can fulfill the academic ethics education requirement by self-studying through the Taiwan Academic Ethics Education Resources Center website and passing the final exam to obtain a completion certificate. If the respective department (institute, or degree program) has additional requirements for passing a specialized academic ethics course, the student must comply with those specific regulations. 3. If the student fails the dissertation examination but has not yet exceeded the maximum study period, they may apply to retake the examination in the following semester or academic year. If the student fails the re-examination, they will be dismissed from the program. If the student passes the re-examination, the score will be recorded as 70.

Others：English proficiency requirements for graduation： 1. Students must meet one of the following criteria to fulfill the English proficiency graduation requirement: a. GEPT: Pass the intermediate-level examination b. TOEFL: Minimum score of 47 for iBT c. TOEIC: Minimum score of 550 d. Completed one of the following English courses (which will not count toward graduation credits): English Composition I (undergraduate, full academic year, 4 credits) Advanced English (undergraduate, 1 semester, 3 credits) Technical English (undergraduate, full academic year, 4 credits) Technical English Writing (graduate, 1 semester, 3 credits) Alternatively, students may publish one SCI or SSCI journal article as the first author before their dissertation examination, which can serve as a substitute. 2. Students must have at least one (1) journal article (as first author or corresponding author) related to their master's thesis in a Class A academic journal recognized by the department, or at least one (1) oral report in an academic seminar or annual meeting (such as the Chinese Forestry Society and the Forest Products Association) may apply for the oral examination of the dissertation.	According to Article 2 of the National Chung Hsing University Student English Proficiency Graduation Standards, each department has the authority to set its own English proficiency graduation standards for graduate students. (Approved at the 57th Academic Affairs Meeting on March 26, 2009).

※The requirements for required courses and graduation credits will be determined by the department or institute based on the course planning schedule for each academic year. For more information, please refer to the following link：http://www.oaa.nchu.edu.tw/rule01.htm

※Any changes to graduation requirements should be handled according to the streamlined procedure for changes to graduation requirements. If there are no changes to courses or credits, submission is not required each academic year.

※This form has been revised according to the minutes of the 62nd, 70th, and 71st Academic Affairs Meetings.

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