National Chung Hsing University, Department of Mechanical Engineering Master's Program Regulations

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1. **Purpose**

These regulations are established in accordance with the *NCHU Implementation Guidelines for Master's Degree Examination* to guide master's students in their academic learning, research capabilities, and academic standards.

2. Requirements for Thesis Examination Application

Students must meet the following requirements before applying for the thesis examination:

- (1) Course requirements: Master's students must comply with the Department's *Master's Program Course Regulations*, while students of the In-Service Master's program must comply with the *Regulations for In-Service Master's Program*.
- (2) Submission of research outcomes for assessment by the Department Academic Committee. The research outcomes must fulfill one of the following criteria:
 - a. A master's thesis proposal approved by the Examination Committee and the corresponding meeting minutes, submitted at least three months prior to the thesis oral defense. The Examination Committee shall consist of 3–5 members, including the thesis advisor.
 - b. At least one full-length paper, published (or accepted for publication) in a peer-reviewed domestic or international professional journal or presented at a domestic or international conference, with the student as the first author in principle.
- (3) Completion of an academic ethics course and obtaining the corresponding certificate.

3. Originality Verification of Thesis

Before the thesis examination, students must submit the originality verification report of their thesis. The report must be reviewed and approved by the thesis advisor, confirming that the total similarity percentage is below 20% (excluding the table of contents and references).

4. Qualifications for Thesis Examination Committee Members

Members of the Master's Degree Examination Committee and Thesis Proposal Assessment Committee must meet the qualifications stipulated in the department's *Eligibility Criteria for Appointment of Master's and Ph.D. Degree Examination Committee Members*.

5. Unspecified Matters

Any matters not specified in these regulations shall be handled in accordance with relevant laws and regulations.

6. **Implementation**

These regulations shall be implemented after approval by the Department Affairs Meeting and the College Affairs Meeting, and shall be reported to the Office of Academic Affairs for record-keeping. The same procedure applies to any amendments.

These regulations are applicable to students admitted in and after the 114th academic year.	