

# Doctoral Degree Examination Application Process and Notice

## (Spring Semester of 2024/2025 Academic Year(113-2))

- **Qualification:** Complete the dissertation and graduation credits this semester.
- **Examination application deadline :** **July 20, 2025.**
  - Application must be made no later than **5 weeks** before the oral examination.
- **Deadline for oral examination score submission :** **July 31, 2025.**
  - After the oral examination, the scores must be submitted to the Program Office
- **Deadline for graduation:** The last working day before the start of Spring semester of 2024/2025 Academic Year.
  - It will take 10 working days for the uploaded thesis to be reviewed, so please apply in advance.

☆NCKU Curriculum Division-Degree Examination Announcement :

<https://cid-acad.ncku.edu.tw/p/412-1042-1378.php?Lang=zh-tw>

**step1.** Degree Examination Application : No later than **5 weeks** before the oral exam.

**Instructions :** Doctoral degree examination applications must be reviewed by the program committee. Please plan and submit your application as early as possible.

**Before applying, ensure that you have finalized your thesis title, committee member list, oral examination date, and location.**

Link :

1. Operation of postgraduate degree examination online application : 學位考試申請作業系統
2. Doctoral degree examination registration : <https://forms.gle/Jd6Pa58Ur1sLwK7K6>
3. Turnitin (Originality Report from the plagiarism detection system) : 成功大學圖書館電子資源查詢系統 ([ncku.edu.tw](http://ncku.edu.tw))
4. Doctoral Degree Graduation Credit Review Form : <https://ais2m.ncku.edu.tw/download.php?action=department&id=5&fid=768>
5. Oral Examination Committee Review Form : <https://ais2m.ncku.edu.tw/download.php?action=department&id=5&fid=602>

★ Procedure :

- 一、Access the "Operation of postgraduate degree examination online application" and fill out the "Defense Application Form" (refer to Appendix 1)
- 二、Complete the online " Doctoral degree examination registration " and compile the following documents in the specified order into a single PDF file for upload:
  1. **Paper Sign-off:** Defense Application Form (Signed by the advisor and submitted to the program office)
  2. Thesis draft
  3. **Paper Sign-off:** Thesis Comparison Result Report(refer to Appendix 2)(**must be less than 30%**, Signed by the advisor and submitted to the program office)
  4. Doctoral Degree Graduation Credit Review Form
  5. **Paper Sign-off:** Approved "Application for elective courses to be approved as the graduation requirements" (Submitted to the program office for verification)
  6. Certification of Academic Integrity(6 hours) (Additionally, complete a 2-hour lecture on English writing and communication skills, recorded by the program)



## step1. Degree Examination Application : No later than **5 weeks** before the oral exam.

7. List of publications include at least two published papers or patents (provide supporting documents according to **Accreditation Principles for Paper Publication and Invention Patents**. ([link](#)) **Paper Sign-off**: acceptance letters for unpublished papers signed by the advisor and submitted to the program office)

8. **Paper Sign-off**: Oral Examination Committee List and “Oral Examination Committee Review Form” (Only required for industry supervisors or experts in related fields who have not been previously reviewed, confirm with the program assistant)

For documents requiring signatures, please complete the paper sign-off and submit it to the program office after uploading the forms. The program office will schedule a review meeting upon receiving the signed paper copies.

### ★★ Important:

The review meeting must coordinate with committee members' schedules and cannot be arranged immediately.

Please submit the application at least five weeks before the oral examination!

三、Upon notification from the program, pick up the application documents within the specified time and **submit them to the relevant units for official stamps**. Refer to Appendix 3 for stamping procedures and consolidate the stamped documents accordingly.

Documents include : Degree Examination Application Form, Defense Application Form, Examination Committee Member Details, Examination Budget Form.

### ● Note :

1. Examination Committee: Five to nine members, with external members comprising at least one-third of the total committee. The advisor cannot serve as the chairperson. **Each student can claim travel expenses for only one external committee member.**
2. For changes to the committee member list or oral examination date, please contact the program to reprint the documents.

## step2. Oral Examination : Before **July 31 noon**

**Instructions : Students are responsible for arranging the setup of the oral examination venue, announcing the examination, and notifying the committee members.**

**All oral examination expenses are to be initially paid by the graduate student (committee member fee: 1600 NTD per member, travel expenses: for up to one external committee member, miscellaneous expenses limit: 1000 NTD).**

### ★Procedure:

1. Print the “Thesis Evaluation Form” and the “Certificate of Thesis Qualification” from “Operation of postgraduate degree examination online application”. Provide these to the committee members for grading and signing on the examination day.
2. Venue Setup: Prepare announcements and signage (which can be borrowed from the Academy in advance), arrange the venue, and provide refreshments for the committee members.
3. Have the committee members sign the "Degree Examination Thesis Review and Travel Expense Reimbursement Form" and collect all relevant expense receipts (miscellaneous fees must include the tax ID number).

### ●Note :

1. **If you do not meet the graduation credit requirements by the end of the current semester, you must cancel the degree examination.**
2. To cancel the examination, use “Operation of postgraduate degree examination online application” to apply for an examination change and cancel the examination. The application deadline is **July 31**, otherwise, it will be counted as a failed attempt.

## step2. Oral Examination : Before July 31 noon

3. Please refer to the examination fee standards:  
[https://ais2m.ncku.edu.tw/upload/department\\_file/file/20230419131158gxn.pdf](https://ais2m.ncku.edu.tw/upload/department_file/file/20230419131158gxn.pdf)
4. Receipts and invoices must include the store's tax ID number and the store's name must be clearly displayed. They should also indicate NCKU's tax ID number (69115908) and be addressed to National Cheng Kung University.
5. The certificate of thesis qualification must be submitted to the program office for director's signature no later than 15 working days before the start of the next semester.

## step3. Score Submission and Reimbursement : Before July 31 noon

**Instructions :** Students must submit oral examination expense receipts and the "Thesis Evaluation Form" to the program for reimbursement and related matters.

★Procedure:

1. After the oral examination, submit the "Thesis Evaluation Form" to the program. The program will send it to the university for recording the grades.
2. Bring the signed "Degree Examination Thesis Review and Travel Expense Reimbursement Form" and the receipts/invoices for miscellaneous expenses to the program to claim the oral examination fees and miscellaneous expenses.

●Note :

1. When returning the reimbursement form, please indicate the name, phone number, ID number, and postal account of the person who paid the oral examination fees.
2. Receipts from the same laboratory should be submitted together as a rule.

## step4. Graduation : The last working day before the start of the new semester

(It will take 10 working days for the uploaded thesis to be reviewed, so please apply in advance)

**Instructions :** Follow the university's leave process according to the school leaving procedure form.

Link :

Library Thesis Submission : <https://www.lib.ncku.edu.tw/service/graduation/graduation.php>

Online Application System for Graduation from NCKU : <https://nckustory.ncku.edu.tw/~lou/leave/>

★Procedure:

1. Upload the thesis to the library for review (see link above). For consultation, dial extension 65773 (Main Library). At least 10 working days for the upload.
2. Within the deadline, fill out Application on "Online Application System for Graduation from NCKU", and follow the procedures for review and processing by various departments.

●Note :

1. Program inspection items are as follows:
  - A. Complete the online "Information Form of Graduates" before leaving school  
[https://ais2m.ncku.edu.tw/?action=depMember\\_step01](https://ais2m.ncku.edu.tw/?action=depMember_step01)
  - B. Please first obtain the signature of your advisor in the department signature section of the graduation form.
  - C. Submit one hard copy of the thesis (paperback)
  - D. To postpone the publication of your thesis, please complete and sign the "Application for Embargo of Thesis/Dissertation" and provide the necessary supporting documents. Please download the form by navigating to:
    - ◇Application form : NCKU Registration Office web > Application Forms > Others > 26 Application for Embargo of Thesis/Dissertation
    - ◇Supporting document : <https://ais2m.ncku.edu.tw/download.php?action=department&id=5&fid=737>
  - E. Students who have completed the necessary credits for graduation this semester are required to submit their transcripts for review again.
2. Mid-term graduation: For leaving before the final exam week, fill out the "24. 研究生期中畢業申請書" in the following link : <https://reg-acad.ncku.edu.tw/p/412-1041-601.php?Lang=zh-tw>
3. Delayed graduation: Conduct credits review again before proceeding with the graduation process.

### Notice of " Operation of postgraduate degree examination online application "

1. Do not use half-space keys when inputting data to avoid garbled characters.
2. When filing information for off-campus committee members, please simplify it. For example, just enter " doctorate " in the education field.  
(Before filing the off-campus committee member information, please check whether there is any saved information, do not duplicate it, and confirm whether the member's current unit, position, and region are correct. If the information is incorrect, please use a blue pen to mark it out on the printed " Defense Application Form ")
3. If you need to make changes after printing, please ask the program assistant to revise.
4. If the printed document has garbled characters, it may be a rare character. You can view the rare character input method from the website of the Computer and Network Center.
5. If you want to **revise** after applying, please go to the system to apply **before** the oral examination, print out the " [Amendment to defense application](#) " and send it to the program office for stamping.
6. **Please note:** If you fail to get the graduation credits, the oral examination will be invalid. Please apply for an amendment. If you need to cancel the oral examination, you must also apply for an amendment. If there is no application for amendment, the oral examination will not be available in the next semester, and a failure will be shown on the transcript.

# Report Instructions For Thesis Comparison Results

Please refer to the [Turnitin Student Manual](#) After the thesis is uploaded, please click **" Text-only Report "** on the screen below to print the first page and ask for the supervisor's signature in the blank space.

The information includes (title, name, similarity index, upload time)

According to the resolution of the 4th Academy Affairs Council in 2022/2023 academic year, the principle of the comparison results of the graduate thesis **should be less than 30%.**

The screenshot displays the Turnitin web interface. On the left, a document titled 'social media' is shown with a similarity index of 97%. The document content discusses the impact of social media on communication and society. On the right, a sidebar titled '相符處總覽' (Summary of Similarities) lists four sources with their respective similarity percentages: 1. www.sohu.com (38%), 2. www.gemarketing.com... (24%), 3. www.bnext.com.tw (21%), and 4. hkipx.com (14%). At the bottom of the interface, a red box highlights the 'Text-only Report' button, which is used to generate a report for printing and signature.

**【Text-only Report(唯文字報告)】**



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## Documentation process of degree examination

Please arrange them in order (page number):

1. Degree Examination Application Form
2. Defense Application Form  
(If multiple students apply at the same time, there will be multiple page)
3. Examination Committee Member List
4. Examination Budget Form
5. Meeting Minutes: The oral examination committee members are industry managers with academic achievements or outstanding industrial R&D performance. Sufficient time must be reserved to notify the degree program to convene an academic meeting for review.

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Program Assistant Office	Program Director	1
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Academy Office (Rm.96402,4F,Chi-Duan Building, Tzu-Chiang Campus)	Dean	1
Yun Ping Administrative Building (1F)	Registrar Division Staff	1
Yun Ping Administrative Building (1F)	Registrar Division Director	1
Yun Ping Administrative Building (2F)	Curriculum Division Staff	1
Yun Ping Administrative Building (2F)	Curriculum Division Director	1
Yun Ping Administrative Building (2F)	Vice President (Office of Academic Affairs)	1

After all degree examination documents have been sealed,

1. Please send the "Degree Examination Application Form and Examination Committee Member List" (photocopies of the two forms into one front and back) to the "Personnel Office, 3F of Yun Ping Administrative Building" to prepare the appointment letter. **One week after submission**, go to the degree program office to receive the "Appointment Letter".
2. Please send the "Degree Examination Application Form and Examination Budget Form" (two copies of the two forms into one front and one back), together with the originals, to the degree program office for filing when you receive the appointment letter.