

National Taipei University of Nursing and Health Sciences

Student Credit Waiver Policy

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Article 1 Student credit waiver processes of National Taipei University of Nursing and Health Sciences (hereafter referred to as the University) shall be performed in accordance with this policy unless otherwise stipulated by law.

Article 2 The following students may waive their academic credits:

1. New Students

- (1) Undergraduate 4-Year Program: New students that have withdrawn from other universities or independent colleges without completing their degrees and obtaining graduation certificates.
- (2) Undergraduate 2-Year Program: New students that have withdrawn from other universities, independent colleges (third year or higher), or institutes of technology approved by the Ministry of Education (MOE) in Taiwan or abroad without completing their degrees and obtaining graduation certificates.
- (3) Research Institute Master's Degree Program:
 - New students that have earned grades of 70 points/B– or higher in the graduate courses of the universities or independent colleges approved by the MOE in Taiwan or abroad, did not include the credits of said courses in their minimal graduation credits, and have presented documents proving the aforementioned conditions.
 - Preparatory graduate students of the University.
- (4) Research Institute Doctoral Program: New students that earned grades of 70 points/B– or higher in the PhD courses of the universities or independent colleges approved by the Ministry of Education in Taiwan or abroad, did not include the credits of said courses in their minimal graduation credits, and have presented documents proving the aforementioned conditions.
- (5) New students entering the University with various degrees.
- (6) Postbaccalaureate Bachelor Program & Postbaccalaureate Second-Specialty Program: Students that have attended the equivalent courses of relevant disciplines at the bachelor's degree level or higher.

2. Transfer Students

3. Formal students that have obtained continuing studies credits from universities or independent

colleges approved by the MOE in Taiwan or abroad and passed the entrance examinations of the University in accordance with relevant regulations.

4. Students that have applied to cancel their double major and minor programs.
5. Double majors and minors.
6. Departmental transfer students.
7. Dual degree students of the University.
8. Students of the University who are studying abroad.
9. Interschool elective students.
10. Current students using new courses opened by their departments/institutes to waive courses that are no longer available.
11. Students that have passed the performance examination in the Performance Examination Center.
12. Students attending comprehensive courses or course subjects.
13. Graduating students that have attended the courses opened by various departments/institutes during their semesters and aim to waive required core or elective courses with the same contents.

Article 3 The courses applied for waiver shall be waived according to their propriety sequences. The total number of waived credits is processed as follows (joint degree and study abroad students not included):

1. The total number of waived credits varies according to the standards of each department/institute and may not exceed half of the minimal required graduation credits in each department/institute (thesis not included). The credit-waiving processes of preparatory graduate students shall be managed in accordance with the Joint Bachelor and Master Studies Policy. The credit-waiving processes of the students in degree programs and the postbaccalaureate second-specialty program shall be managed in accordance with the regulations of each department/institute and the MOE.
2. Master's and 2-year program students are required to attend courses for a minimum of 1 year after the credit waiver; 4-year program students are required to attend courses for a minimum of 2 years after the credit waiver.

Article 4 Readmitted undergraduate students whose waived credits meet the following criteria may apply to advance their years of study in accordance with the procedures required in each department/institute:

1. Students in the 4-year program with 40 or more credits waived may advance to their second year; those with 64 or more credits waived may advance to their third year.
2. Students in the 2-year program with 36 or more credits waived may advance to their second year.

Article 5 Waived credits may include core and elective credits.

Article 6 Principles of course credit waiver:

1. Courses with the same or similar contents may be waived regardless of their name differences. However, thesis and seminar credits may not be waived.
2. Courses attended and passed in foreign universities or colleges approved by the MOE may be waived.

3. Professional courses attended and passed more than 10 years before admission to the University may not be waived.
4. According to their contents and grades, the courses applied for waiver may require applicants to participate in and pass the qualification tests.
5. Students that have graduated from 5-year junior colleges or withdrawn from them without completion may not have their course credits from the first to third college years waived.

Article 7 Courses with nonequal credits shall be waived as follows:

1. When an attended course with higher credits is waived against a University course with lower credits, the waiver shall be registered with the actual credits of the latter course.
2. When an attended course with lower credits is waived against a University course with higher credits, any relevant course available to supplement the missing credits of the waived University course must be attended and passed to obtain the waiver. If no supplementary course is available, then the University course may not be waived.

Article 8 The time for submitting credit waiver is as follows:

1. Students that fulfill the conditions specified in Subparagraphs 1–4 of Article 2 may apply to waive their credits in their first course registration or next semester at the University. Credit waiver may only be applied for twice.
2. Students that fulfill the conditions specified in Subparagraphs 5–12 of Article 2 may submit their credit waiver applications to Office of Academic Affairs before the start of each semester. All the credit waiver processes must be completed before the end of the course selection period.
3. Students that fulfill the conditions specified in Subparagraph 13 of Article 2 must submit their credit waiver applications before their graduation semesters for graduation or school withdrawal.

Article 9 The first review of credits to waive shall be carried out by the review panel of each department/institute, which includes the representatives of general education courses. Subsequently, the Office of Academic Affairs shall conduct a secondary review of the credits with permission from the chairpersons of the departments/institutes/centers and inform applicants of their waiver statuses. Only missing or misplaced details from the first review are examined in the secondary review; the courses to waive are not examined.

Article 10 Credits required for students who have waived their credits are specified as follows:

For daytime students of both the 4-year and 2-year programs, starting from the beginning of the semester of admission, the total credits each semester must be no fewer than 9. For continuing studies students, the total credits each semester must be no fewer than 6. Waived cross-department/interschool elective courses are regarded as departmental credits and not included in approved extradepartmental credits. The total graduation credits of each student, including waived credits, shall be determined in accordance with the university regulations without decrease. The tuitions and fees shall be regulated in accordance with the payment standards for daytime classes.

Article 11 For departmental transfer students who transferred in the same year of study, the waived credits

each semester after the second semester of the year of transfer may not exceed one-third of the minimal required semester course credits. For departmental transfer students who transferred in a lowered year of study, the waived credits each semester starting from the second semester of the year of transfer may not exceed half of the minimal required semester course credits.

Article 12 Each department or the General Education Center may require students to provide the data associated with their attended courses or partake in qualification tests for the proof of credit waiver review.

Article 13 Any matters not mentioned in this policy or more strictly regulated by other policies shall be managed in accordance with the university regulations and relevant legal specifications.

Article 14 This policy is carried into effect at an Academic Affairs meeting. The same rule applies with subsequent amendments.