## NCKU Regulations for Graduate Students' Scholarships and Assistantships

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- Article 1 The NCKU Regulations for Graduate Students' Scholarships and Assistantships (hereinafter the Regulations) are established by NCKU to encourage its graduate students to concentrate on their academic studies and work to facilitate relevant teaching and administrative activities.
- Article 2 Applications for a scholarship or assistantship, as defined in these Regulations, are open to those officially enrolled as fulltime graduate students, excluding part-time in-service graduate students. Details of applicant eligibility are as follows:
  - 1. Scholarships: awarded to those recognized for an outstanding performance in the admission process, academic studies or research.
  - 2. Assistantships: awarded to those working to facilitate the administration of any academic, research or administrative unit. An eligible graduate student may receive a scholarship and an assistantship simultaneously.
  - Moreover, an eligible graduate student is also allowed to work as a labor-based teaching or research assistant.
- Article 3 Graduate students in full-time employment are not eligible to apply for any scholarship and assistantship under these Regulations. As for those on part-time employment, each unit may regulate their eligibility under specific circumstances.
- Article 4 A doctoral student, as a scholarship recipient, is subject to a maximum monthly payment of NT\$25,000. A master's degree student is subject to a maximum monthly payment of NT\$18,000.
- Article 5 The school budget for graduate student scholarships and assistantships consists of 50% designated as a scholarship fund, 38% designated as an assistantship fund and 12% designated as a school-reserved fund. A scholarship grant shall not serve as any payment to a labor-based teaching assistant. The assistantship fund may be integrated into the scholarship fund. The distribution criteria for scholarship and assistantship recipients are as follows:
  - 1. Scholarship:
    - (1) Based on the weighted number of graduate students in each graduate institute, calculated using the following formula:
      - Weighed number=number of master's program students + number of doctoral program students multiplied by six.
    - (2) Calculation of the recipient quota is based on the number of master's program students in the first two years of studies and the number of doctoral program students in the first three years of studies.
    - (3) The maximum weighted number of graduate students shall not exceed eight times the number of faculty members (including assistant professors and above).
  - 2. Assistantship:
    - (1) Based on the weighted calculation of the teaching load of all faculty members. The teaching load of each course is calculated using the following formula: Number of credit-hours multiplied by the number of enrolled students. The weighted teaching load is calculated with a weighted calculation of each undergraduate course multiplied by one, each internship course multiplied by 1.5, and each graduate course multiplied by two.
    - (2) The recipient quota of an independent graduate institute may be increased on the condition that the number shall not exceed the lowest calculated quota of a department with an affiliated graduate institute. (An independent graduate institute refers to an academic unit that offers no undergraduate program or that is not affiliated with any department.)
  - 3. School-reserved Fund: The fund shall be used to serve the demands of the curriculum of basic subjects and relevant administrative units.
- Article 6 Each department, institute or unit shall regulate the administration of these scholarships and assistantships with regard to their application procedures, payment criteria, recipient quota, payment duration, monthly payment amount and evaluation. The monthly payment amounts shall not exceed the designated maximum amounts as specified in Article 4.
- Article 7 These Regulations shall be approved by the Academic Affairs Council and the NCKU Endowment Fund Management Committee before taking effect. Any amendments shall be processed accordingly. However, should no amendment involve expenditures from the NCKU endowment fund, these Regulations shall be revised and approved solely by the Academic Affairs Council before taking effect.

These regulations were translated from the original Chinese. In the event of any discrepancies between the two versions, the Chinese always takes precedence.