Guidelines for Students Affairs of Doctoral Program in the College of Life Science, Kaohsiung Medical University

Article 1: neglected.

Article 2: neglected.

Article 3: Criteria for Reviewing Outstanding Performance Scholarships for Graduate Students in this Doctoral Program:

- (1) Applicant qualifications: First, second, and third-year graduate students of the PhD Program (the first semester of the first year is not eligible).
- (2) The evaluation is based on additional achievements for scoring. If the total scores are the same, the average grades of required courses per semester will be used as the tiebreaker criteria.
- (3) Additional achievement criteria are as follows:
 - 1. English grades: B1 adds 1 point, B2 adds 2 points, C1 or above adds 3 points. Refer to the English proficiency test equivalence announced by the Office of Academic Affairs.
 - 2. Paper publications:
 - I. SCI paper publication: 1st author, 6 points; 2nd author, 3 points; other authors; 1 point.
 - II. Non-SCI paper publication: 1st author, 2 points; 2nd author; 1 point, other authors; 0.5 points.
 - 3. Participation in international conferences:English oral presentation; 5 points, 1st author of English poster presentation;2 points, 1st author of conference full paper presentation;2 points.
 - 4. Other supporting documents for additional points:
 - I. Participation in domestic and international competitions or proof of awards, 1 point per item, maximum of 5 points.
 - II. Relevant documents for patents and intellectual property rights: applying for a patent; 3 points, patent granted; 5 points, up to a maximum of 10 points.
 - 5. The time of paper publication, participation in international conferences, and other supporting documents are limited to the period of the student's enrollment as a research student. The same achievement cannot be used for multiple times.
- (4) If the total scores are the same, the average grades of required courses per semester will be used as the tiebreaker criteria.

Article 4: To assist in the research progress of graduate students in this doctoral program, a research progress report meeting must be held before the end of each academic year. After the research progress report, a written report, evaluation forms, and review opinions must be submitted to the college office. The research progress report meeting will be chaired by the supervising professor, and the student must invite additional three or more internal experts (including the supervising professor) as examination committee members. Teachers who participate in the research progress report will not be reimbursed for oral examination or transportation expenses.

Article 5: Research progress reports for graduate students will commence from the 2nd year and will be held once each academic year. The research progress report will be accomplished by the research student, who is responsible for coordinating with the committee members and arranging the presentation of the research progress meeting.

Article 6: Graduate students in the 2nd year or above are eligible to temporarily suspend or be exempted from the research progress report as follows:

- In the academic year, if the student and the program director agree, the
 research progress report for that academic year may be temporarily
 suspended. This requires to meet one of the following conditions: (a)
 Studying abroad or taking a leave of absence for one semester or more. (b)
 Passing the doctoral candidate qualification assessment. (c) Other special
 reasons.
- 2. For doctoral program students in the academic year, if they meet the qualifications specified in the university's "Doctoral Program Student Application for Thesis Examination Criteria" or the program's "Doctoral Program Student Application for Thesis Examination Qualification Requirements," they may be exempted from the research progress report for subsequent academic years.

Article 7: For graduation, students are required to participate in domestic or international conferences, presenting posters or giving oral presentations.

Article 8: Other matters related to graduate students of this doctoral program and matters not specified herein shall be resolved by the affairs committee of the Doctoral Program in Life Science.