National Sun Yat-sen University Institute of Economics Principles of Fellowship Distribution

(Applicable to new students enrolled from academic year 2020)

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- 1. These Principles are established with respect to the Regulations for Fellowships of the College of Social Sciences.
- 2. The current principles of fellowship distribution and work items of graduate students at the Institute of Economics (hereinafter called the "IOE") are as follows:
 - (1) Fellowships (no work-study obligations)
 - 1) Year 1: The two approved students with the highest and second highest scores in the master's program entrance examination are entitled to a scholarship of NT\$30,000 and NT\$20,000 respectively in the first semester. However, the scholarship for the second semester of year 1 will be distributed based on the score of the required/required elective courses in the first semesters: top 30% in class. The scholarship for the year 2 will be distributed to the top five students by score in required/required elective courses in year 1. The calculation is: each of the three required courses accounts for 25%, and each of the two required elective courses accounts for 12.5% (the two required electives with the highest and second highest scores if more than two required electives are taken). The scholarships for the first semester will be: NT\$30,000 for the first in class, NT\$20,000 the second in class, NT\$10,000 the third in class, NT\$8,000 the fourth in class, and NT\$6,000 the fifth in class. Fellowship recipients will not be rejected from applying for the assistantship. Fellowships will be presented to recipients in an open ceremony.
 - 2) Year 5 students of the Department of Economics or pre-graduate students of IOE with academic performance ranked within the top 40% in the department and accepted as IOE graduate students through the master's program screening/entrance examinations are entitled to a fellowship of NT\$30,000. However, students who are also the approved students with the highest and second highest score in the master's program entrance examination as stated in the preceding subparagraph can only choose one type of fellowship, i.e., they cannot take both fellowships. If the fellowship budget of the year is insufficient for all qualified students, the IOE will disburse the insufficiency with the donations for IOE.
 - 3) To encourage students to broaden their international vision, the IOE will fund students enrolling on international exchange programs at the following amounts (fund sources: IOE grants and IOE operating funds for insufficiencies). Deadline of application for funding: Applications must be filed no later than one week before departure. Applications made after the deadline will not be considered.
 - 4) Students funded for participation in an international exchange program must submit an

exchange report of no less than NT\$1,500 words and post sketches of the program (photos or videos) on the IOE website after the program.

Region	Amount
Asia (including mainland China)	NT\$5,000
Non-Asian regions	NT\$10,000

5) To improve the English language proficiency of students, master's program students are encouraged to take the TOEIC test and will be rewarded with NT\$1,000 for a score of 750 marks and NT\$2,000 for a score of 850 or higher marks. The rewards will be disbursed with the IOE grants or IOE operating funds for insufficiencies. The maximum amount of reward for each student during their enrollment at the IOE will be NT\$2,000. Students applying for the reward must submit the application form and the original copy of the transcript to the IOE. Applications made after three months of the test will not be considered.

(2) Research assistantship

- 1) IOE students participating in research activities for the purpose of research and learning may apply for the research assistantship.
- 2) IOE students receiving assistantships should engage in research and learning activities for paper publication or that meet the graduation requirements and participate in research projects or take research courses that relate to their own research. They should assist in related research and learn and train research practice under the supervision of the thesis advisors to improve research capacity and develop research outcomes.
- 3) IOE students receiving assistantships should engage in research or learning activities that meet the following principles:
 - a. The major objective(s) of a learning activity should directly relate to the scope stated in point #3 and should be under the supervision of the course teacher or thesis advisor and agreed upon by both the graduate student and the thesis advisor.
 - b. Clear corresponding research and thesis instructions, research courses, or implementation plans of related learning activities should be in place, and the related learning criteria, evaluation methods, calculation of credits or graduation requirements, and funding methods shall be clearly stated and announced.
 - c. A faculty member should provide actual instructions for graduate students to learn professional knowledge.
 - d. When participating in the said learning activities, graduate students may receive the research assistantship for research and learning and the necessary research or internship allowances of subsidies.
 - e. When graduate students participate in a research or learning activities, in addition to the regular student group insurance, the NSYSU should arrange commercial insurance with reference to the coverage for work-related injuries or ill health as stated to the Labor Standards Act to provide appropriate cover for such graduate students. The premium for such coverage should be disbursed by the school budget or the budget of related research projects.
- 4) Matters not provided for in these principles should be subject to the NSYSU Guidelines for Management of Graduate Student Receiving Research Assistantships.

(3) Teaching assistantship

- 1) IOE students participating in teaching activities for the purpose and within the scope of teaching not involving employment may apply for the teaching assistantships. The scope of these courses is as follows.
 - a. A course that forms part of the program or graduation requirements.

- b. The said program or graduation requirements include internship, fieldwork, experiment, or other learning activities.
- c. The said program or graduation requirements should apply to domestic students, international students, overseas Chinese students, and students from Hong Kong, Macau, or Mainland China.
- d. No labor service provision or actual work outside of the learning activity.
- 2) IOE students receiving teaching assistantship are students participating in the required internship courses for expertise development or official NSYSU credit courses for developing professional teaching practice to improve pedagogical expertise or practical capacity. The status determination of IOE students receiving teaching assistantship will be subject to the Guidelines for Management of Graduate Student Receiving Teaching Assistantships.
- 3) Learning activities for IOE students receiving teaching assistantship should meeting the following principles:
 - a. The major objective(s) of a learning activity should directly relate to the defined scope and should be under the supervision of the course teacher or thesis advisor and agreed upon by both the graduate student and the thesis advisor.
 - b. Clear corresponding courses or teaching practice activities should be in place, and the related learning criteria, evaluation methods, calculation of credits or graduation requirements, and funding methods shall be clearly stated and announced.
 - c. A faculty member should provide actual instructions for graduate students to learn professional knowledge.
 - d. Students may receive scholarships or necessary practice allowances or subsidies for the learning activity.
- 4) Matters not provided for in these principles should be subject to the NSYSU Guidelines for Management of Graduate Student Receiving Teaching Assistantships.
- (4) Grants (under school's work-study program and salaried subject to the assistant or part-time job contracts):
 - 1) Teaching Assistant (TA): Each IOE full-time faculty member is assigned with one TA whose duty is to assist the faculty member in work that relates to teaching or research, such as teaching website maintenance or data search.
 - 2) There are five TAs assisting with the IOE in-service master's programs for four months each semester.
 - 3) Non-IOE course TAs assist faculty members in teaching affairs for four months each semester.
 - 4) IOE work-study students assist with IOE's administrative affairs and computer maintenance at specific time (two work-study students during summer breaks and four work-study students in other periods).
 - 5) Principles of distribution of grants: After deducting the grants for the TAs, IOE workstudy students, in-service master's program TAs, and non-IOE course TAs, the balance will be prioritized for IOE external TAs.
- 3. IEE full-time faculty members may select an IOE student receiving research assistantship, an IOE student receiving teaching assistantship, or a student receiving grants under the work-study program.
- 4. If the assistantship budget of the year is insufficient for all qualified students, the IOE will disburse the insufficiency with the donations for IOE.
- 5. Matters not provided for in these Principles of Distribution will be subject to the related

regulations of this College, the NSYSU, and the Ministry of Education.

6. These Principles of Distribution will be implemented after the approval at the institute Meeting. The same shall apply to the Amended and sthereto.