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Chapter 1. General Provisions

(Object)

Article 1. These regulations prescribe matters concerning the Graduate Schools, in accordance with paragraph 2 of Article 6 of the Ritsumeikan University Regulations (hereinafter “the University Regulations”).

(Purposes)

Article 2. The purposes of the Graduate Schools are to teach and research academic theories and applications, to explore the scholarly depths thereof, to cultivate individuals with profound academic insight and outstanding capabilities for occupations demanding high-level expertise, and to contribute to the advancement of culture, in line with Ritsumeikan's founding spirit and educational ideals.

2. The purposes of those Graduate Schools which are Professional Graduate Schools are to teach and research academic theories and applications, and to cultivate individuals with profound academic insight and outstanding capabilities for occupations demanding high-level expertise.

3. The educational and research purposes of each Graduate School shall be prescribed in the regulations of each Graduate School.

(Graduate School programs)

Article 3. The Graduate Schools shall have Master's, Doctoral and Professional Graduate Degree Programs.

2. Doctoral Programs shall either be divided into a First-Stage Program of two years and a Second-Stage Program of three years, or, alternatively, not make use of such division.

3. Where a division between First- and Second-Stages is used, the First-Stage of two years in a Full-Term Doctoral Program shall be known as a Master's Program, and the Second-Stage of three years shall be known as a Doctoral Program.

4. Where a division between First- and Second-Stages is not used, the Program shall be known as an Integrated Doctoral Program with a 5-year standard term for completion, and Four-Year Doctoral Program with a 4-year standard term for completion.

5. The First-Stage of a Doctoral Program (“Master's Program”) shall be treated in the same way as a Stand-Alone Master's Program.

6. For Professional Graduate Degree Programs, the School of Law and the Graduate

School of Professional Teacher Education stated in clause 2 of Article 5 shall also be called the Law School and the Professional School of Teacher Education, respectively.

(Program objectives)

- Article 4. The objective of Stand-Alone Master’s Programs and First-Stage Doctoral Programs (hereinafter known collectively as “Master’s Programs”) is to offer broad-based and profound academic insights and to cultivate either research capabilities in specialist fields or advanced capabilities required for occupations demanding high-level expertise.
2. The objective of Doctoral Programs is to cultivate the advanced research capabilities required to undertake independent scholarly research or engage in other specialist occupations, and extensive academic insights to underpin these capabilities.
3. The objective of Professional Graduate Degree Programs is to cultivate profound academic insight and outstanding capabilities for occupations demanding high-level expertise.
4. Among Professional Graduate Degree Programs, the objective of the Law School is to provide education directed to the specialized training of legal professionals, whereas the Professional School for Teacher Education aims to provide education directed to the specialized training of elementary, junior high, high school and secondary school (hereinafter, “primary and secondary school”) teacher s that possess highly professional abilities and excellent teacher qualities.

(Graduate Schools and major s)

Article 5. The Graduate Schools shall comprise the schools and major s set forth in the following tables.

School	Major	Program type
Graduate School of Law	Law	First-Stage Doctoral Program
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program
Graduate School of Economics	Economics	First-Stage Doctoral (Master’s) Program
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program

Graduate School of Business Administration	Business Administration	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program
Graduate School of Sociology	Applied Sociology	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program
Graduate School of Letters	Humanities	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program
	Informatics of Behavior and Cultures	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program
Graduate School of Science and Engineering	Advanced Mathematics and Physics	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program
	Advanced Electrical, Electronic and Computer Systems	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program
	Advanced Mechanical Engineering and Robotics	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program
	Advanced Architectural, Environmental and Civil Engineering	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program
Graduate School of International Relations	International Relations	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program
Graduate School of Policy Science	Policy Science	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program
Graduate School of Language Education and Information Science	Language Education and Information Science	Stand-Alone Master's Program
Graduate School of Technology Management	Technology Management	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program
Graduate School of Sport and	Sport and Health Science	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's)

Health Science		Program
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program
Graduate School of Image Arts and Sciences	Image Arts and Sciences	Stand-Alone Master's Program
Graduate School of Information Science and Engineering	Information Science and Engineering	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program
Graduate School of Life Sciences	Life Sciences	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program
Graduate School of Core Ethics and Frontier Sciences	Core Ethics and Frontier Sciences	Integrated Doctoral Program
Graduate School of Pharmacy	Pharmacy	Four-Year Doctoral Program
Graduate School of Human Science	Human Science	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program

(2) Professional Graduate Schools

School	Major	Program type
School of Law	Legal Professional Training	Professional Graduate Degree Program
Graduate School of Management	Management	Professional Graduate Degree Program
Graduate School of Professional Teaching Education	Teaching Profession and Educational Practices	Professional Graduate Degree Program

(Admission quotas and overall enrollment quotas)

Article 6. The admission quota and overall enrollment quota for the Graduate Schools shall be as follows.

School	Major	Program type	Admission quota	Overall enrollment quota
Graduate School of Law	Law	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	60	120
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program	10	30

Graduate School of Economics	Economics	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	50	100
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program	5	15
Graduate School of Business Administration	Business Administration	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	60	120
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program	15	45
Graduate School of Sociology	Applied Sociology	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	60	120
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program	15	45
Graduate School of Letters	Humanities	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	70	140
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program	20	60
	Informatics of Behavior and Cultures	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	35	70
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program	15	45
	Subtotal	-	140	315
Graduate School of Science and Engineering	Advanced Mathematics and Physics	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	50	100
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program	6	18
	Advanced Electrical, Electronic and Computer Systems	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	140	280
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program	8	24
	Advanced Mechanical Engineering and Robotics	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	140	280
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program	11	33
	Advanced Architectural, Environmental and	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	120	240
		Second-Stage	15	45

	Civil Engineering	Doctoral Program		
	Sub-total	—	490	1020
Graduate School of International Relations	International Relations	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	60	120
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program	10	30
Graduate School of Policy Science	Policy Science	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	40	80
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program	15	45
Graduate School of Language Education and Information Science	Language Education and Information Science	Stand-Alone Master's Program	60	120
Graduate School of Technology Management	Technology Management	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	70	140
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program	5	15
Graduate School of Sport and Health Science	Sport and Health Science	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	25	50
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program	8	24
Graduate School of Image Arts and Sciences	Image Arts and Sciences	Stand-Alone Master's Program	10	20
Graduate School of Information Science and Engineering	Information Science and Engineering	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	200	400
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program	15	45
Graduate School of Life Sciences	Life Sciences	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	150	300
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program	15	45
Graduate School of Core Ethics and Frontier Sciences	Core Ethics and Frontier Sciences	Integrated Doctoral Program	30	150

Graduate School of Pharmacy	Pharmacy	Four-Year Doctoral Program	3	12
School of Law	Legal Professional Training	Professional Graduate Degree Program	70	210
Graduate School of Management	Management	Professional Graduate Degree Program	80	160
Graduate School of Professional Teaching Education	Teaching Profession and Educational Practices	Professional Graduate Degree	35	70
Graduate School of Human Science	Human Science	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	65	130
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program	20	60
Total			1,891	4,156

Chapter 2. Operation of the Graduate Schools

(Graduate School Committee or Graduate School Faculty Council)

Article 7. Each Graduate School shall have a Graduate School Committee or Graduate School Faculty Council (hereinafter, "Graduate School Committee").

2. Matters concerning Graduate School Committees shall be prescribed in the respective Graduate School Committee Regulations or Graduate School Faculty Council Regulations, in addition to the provisions of the following article.

(Graduate School Committee business, etc.)

Article 8. Each Graduate School Committee shall deliberate and offer opinions to the President on the following matters.

- (1) Establishment, expansion, abolition or alteration of the Graduate School, majors and programs
- (2) Enactment, amendment and abolition of Graduate School Regulations and miscellaneous regulations of the Graduate School
- (3) Academic personnel affairs
- (4) Departmental programs, classes, and assessment of academic ability
- (5) Examination of academic degree dissertations
- (6) Teaching responsibilities
- (7) Student admissions, withdrawal, leave of absence, completion, removal from the register, degree conferral, and other issues of student status
- (8) Student guidance
- (9) Student quotas
- (10) Matters for which deliberation by the Graduate School Committee is stipulated in regulations of the Trust and University

2. In addition to the matters in the preceding paragraph, the Graduate School Committee

shall deliberate on matters concerning education and research for which the President or Graduate School Dean are responsible, and offer its opinions if requested by the President or Graduate School Dean.

3. The Graduate School Dean shall represent the Graduate School and execute the decisions of the Graduate School Committee.

(Graduate School Academic Degrees Committee)

Article 9. The Graduate Schools shall have a Graduate Schools Degree Committee.

2. The Graduate Schools Degree Committee shall be composed of the following individuals.

(1) President

(2) Vice President

(3) All Graduate School Deans

(4) One committee member selected from each Graduate School Committee

3. The Graduate School Degrees Committee shall be convened and chaired by the President.

4. The Graduate School Degrees Committee shall deliberate on matters concerning the conferment of academic degrees.

(Graduate Schools Academic Affairs Board)

Article 9-2. The Graduate Schools shall have a Graduate Schools Academic Affairs Board.

2. Matters concerning the organization and operation of the Graduate Schools Academic Affairs Board shall be prescribed in the Ritsumeikan University Graduate Schools Academic Affairs Board Regulations.

Chapter 3. Educational Programs

(Policies for the organization of educational programs)

Article 10. The Graduate Schools shall formulate plans for the provision of supervision directed to the production of academic degree dissertations, etc. (hereinafter, "research supervision"), organize their educational programs systematically, and offer curricular subjects necessary to achieve their educational objectives.

2. Educational programs in the Graduate Schools shall be organized with appropriate consideration given both to imparting advanced expertise and capabilities in the applicable field of specialization and to providing grounding in fields associated with the field of specialization.

3. The Professional Graduate Schools shall organize their educational programs systematically and offer, in cooperation with industries, curricular subjects necessary to achieve their educational objectives in accordance with the applicable field of specialization.

4. The Professional Graduate Schools shall develop necessary curricular subjects based on the circumstances surrounding the professions related to the major, organize

educational programs in line with the trends of said professions, respond to changing circumstances, and constantly review the content of curricular subjects and structure of educational programs.

5. The development of curricular subjects and the organization and review of educational programs pursuant to the provisions of the preceding paragraph shall be arranged appropriately while taking into consideration the opinions of the Educational Program Joint Council prescribed in Article 10-4.

(Educational programs for certification)

Article 10-2. Specially designated educational programs for certification shall be provided for persons seeking Teacher's Licenses and other official qualifications.

(Premier Leadership Ph.D. Program to Innovate Active Life Society: Advanced Industry-Academia Collaboration)

Article 10-3. The Graduate Schools shall have a Premier Leadership Ph.D. Program to Innovate Active Life Society: Advanced Industry-Academia Collaboration Program (hereinafter, "Premier Leadership Ph.D. Program").

2. Premier Leadership Ph.D. Program curricular subjects and the requirements for completion of the Program shall be prescribed in the Premier Leadership Ph.D. Program Regulations.

3. The Graduate Schools shall have a Premier Leadership Ph.D. Program Promotion Committee.

4. Matters concerning the organization and operation of the Premier Leadership Ph.D. Program Promotion Committee shall be prescribed in the Premier Leadership Ph.D. Program Promotion Committee Regulations.

(Educational Program Joint Council)

Article 10-4. The Professional Graduate Schools shall organize their educational programs in cooperation with industries and establish an Educational Program Joint Council to promote smooth and effective education.

2. The Educational Program Joint Council shall be composed of the following members. However, the persons listed in clause (3) are not required if deemed inappropriate due to the characteristics of the field of specialization or characteristics of education in the Professional Graduate School.

(1) A faculty or staff member appointed by the President or a Dean of a Graduate School (including an organization prescribed in the proviso to Article 100 of the Schools Education Act) in the Professional Graduate School (hereinafter, "Presidents, etc. ").

(2) A person who is established in a profession related to the program of the Professional Graduate School or a person who is a member of a group comprised of persons engaged in work related to such a profession and who is involved in activities covering a wide area, possessing abundant practical experience of the profession.

(3) A staff member of a local public organization, a member of a group run by a local

business or such a member from another region.

(4) A person other than a university faculty or staff member in the Professional Graduate School that the President, etc. deems necessary.

3. The Educational Program Joint Council shall deliberate and offer opinions to the President, etc. on the following matters.

(1) Basic matters concerning the establishment of curricular subjects in cooperation with industries and the organization of other educational programs

(2) Basic matters concerning the implementation of subjects in cooperation with industries and the implementation of other educational programs, and matters concerning the evaluation of the implementation status of such subjects and programs.

(Curricular subjects)

Article 11. Curricular subjects shall be classified and arranged in subject divisions prescribed in the regulations of each Graduate School.

2. Curricular subjects shall be organized systematically in the classifications of mandatory subjects, elective subjects and optional subjects.

(Application of the curriculum)

Article 12. A student shall, until completion of their educational program, be subject to the same rules concerning educational programs, subjects, course registration, recognition of credit and completion (hereinafter, "the curriculum") as applied on the date they enrolled in that program.

2. A student who transfers or is re-admitted shall be subject to the curriculum applicable to existing students at the same year level in the unit to which the student has transferred or been re-admitted.

3. A student who transfers within the university or re-assigned within the same major shall be subject to the curriculum applicable to existing students at the same year level in the unit to which the student has transferred or been re-assigned.

Article 13. Deleted.

Chapter 4. Classes, Research Supervision and Assessment

(Classes and research supervision)

Article 14. Education in the Graduate Schools shall be conducted through classes taught in curricular subjects and research supervision. However, in the Professional Graduate Schools, education shall be conducted through classes taught in curricular subjects.

(Determining responsibility for teaching curricular subjects and research supervision)

Article 15. Graduate School Deans shall determine responsibilities for teaching curricular subjects and research supervision following deliberation by the applicable Graduate School Committee, in accordance with the Ritsumeikan University Graduate School Standards for Faculty Selection and with regard to subject suitability and

teaching and research supervision abilities.

(Special educational methods)

Article 16. The Graduate Schools, majors and programs set forth below may, if considered educationally necessary by the applicable Graduate School Committee, conduct classes and research supervision in evenings or other specially designated times.

(1) Graduate School of Language Education and Information Science Major in Language Education and Information Science Master's Program

(2) Graduate School of Technology Management Major in Technology Management First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program

(3) Graduate School of Human Science Major in Human Science First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program

(4) Graduate School of Management Major in Management Professional Graduate Degree Program

(5) Graduate School of Pharmacy Major in Pharmacy Doctoral Program

(6) Graduate School of Professional Teaching Education Major in Teaching Profession and Educational Practices Professional Graduate Degree

(Special enrollment in curricular subjects)

Article 17. A student enrolled in a Master's Program, Integrated Doctoral Program or Professional Graduate Degree Program may, if considered educationally necessary by the applicable Graduate School Committee, enroll in an undergraduate curricular subject.

2. A student enrolled in a Second-Stage Doctoral or Four-Year Doctoral Program may, if considered educationally necessary by the applicable Graduate School Committee, enroll in a Master's or undergraduate curricular subject.

3. Credits earned pursuant to the preceding two paragraphs shall not be counted towards the number of credits required for completion.

(Notification of grading criteria, etc.)

Article 18. Class and research supervision methods and content, and yearly plans for classes and research supervision, shall be notified to students in advance.

2. In order to ensure objectivity and rigor, assessment of study outcomes and degree dissertations and approval of completion shall be conducted properly in accordance with predetermined criteria, which shall also be notified to students in advance.

(Student numbers per class)

Article 19. The number of students to be taught at any one time in a single curricular subject shall be the number appropriate in order to achieve educational effects fully, taking into account teaching methods, facilities, equipment, and other educational conditions.

(Class methods)

Article 20. Classes shall be conducted as lectures, seminars, laboratory work, field work,

or practicum, or a combination thereof.

2. If judged necessary by the Graduate School Committee, classes under the preceding paragraph may be conducted at venues other than those usually used for the classes, making advanced use of diverse media tools.

3. If judged necessary by the Graduate School Committee, and pursuant to the Stipulation on Conducting Part of Classes at Venues other than Campuses and Affiliated Facilities (Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology Notice No. 43, 2003), a portion of the classes stated in paragraph 1 may be conducted at venues other than campuses and affiliated facilities (including outside Japan).

(Credit calculation methods)

Article 21. A regular curricular subject shall comprise course work requiring 45 hours of study per credit, and the following standards shall be used depending on the method by which the class is taught and taking account of the subject's educational efficacy and the amount of study required outside class time.

(1) One credit shall be granted for 15 weeks of classes operated using the lecture or seminar methods with one to two class contact hours per week, as prescribed by the Graduate School Committee.

(2) One credit shall be given for 15 weeks of classes operated using the laboratory work, field work, or practicum methods with two to three class contact hours per week, as prescribed by the Graduate School Committee.

(3) In the case of curricular subjects that are operated using a combination of two or more of the methods of lecture, seminar, laboratory work, field work, or practicum, one credit shall be given for a number of class hours prescribed by the Graduate School Committee depending on the combination of methods used and taking account of the standards prescribed in the preceding two clauses.

(Class hours in curricular subjects)

Article 22. Classes in curricular subjects shall be conducted over semester units of 15 weeks in duration. However, if judged necessary by the Graduate School Committee, classes may be conducted over a specified shorter duration.

(Academic grades)

Article 23. Academic grades of A+, A, B, C, P and F shall be used for curricular subjects. The grades of A+, A, B, C and P shall be passing grades, and F shall be a failing grade.

2. Academic grades under the preceding paragraph shall be calculated on a 100-point scale, with A+ generally being awarded for 90 points and above, A for 80-89 points, B for 70-79 points, C for 60-69 points, F for less than 60 points, and P as a passing grade in specified subjects.

3. The preceding two paragraphs shall also be applied when taking subjects offered in a different Graduate School and for approval of credit earned in curricular subjects under Ritsumeikan University's non-degree Graduate School student system prior to enrollment.

4. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 3, approval of credit earned at another institution shall be represented by the grade T.

(Conferral and approval of credits)

Article 24. A prescribed number of credits shall be conferred on students who have completed a curricular subject and passed the examinations therein.

2. Conferral and approval of credits shall be determined by the applicable Graduate School Dean, following deliberation by the Graduate School Committee.

3. Credits shall not be cancelled once conferred or approved. However, credits conferred or approved in the School of Law may be cancelled following deliberation by the Graduate School Faculty Council.

(Optional subjects)

Article 25. Credits for optional subjects shall not be counted in the number of credits required for graduation.

(Organized training for improvement of educational content, etc.)

Article 26. The Graduate Schools shall implement organized training and research programs in order to achieve improvements in teaching and research supervision methods and content.

Chapter 5. Master's, Doctoral, and Integrated-doctoral Programs and Four-Year Doctoral Programs

Section 1. Requirements for completion, etc. of Master's Programs

(Standard term for completion)

Article 27. The standard term for completion of Master's Programs shall be 2 years.

(Maximum term of enrollment)

Article 28. The maximum term of enrollment in Master's Programs shall be 4 years.

(Completion of curriculum over an extended period)

Article 28-2. Notwithstanding the preceding article, when a student has reported his/her wish to complete the educational curriculum in a planned manner over a certain period of time exceeding the standard term for completion due to having an occupation, the Graduate School Dean may approve the student's planned course of study with the maximum term of enrollment as the upper limit following deliberation by the Graduate School Committee.

(Requirements for completion)

Article 29. To complete a Master's Program a student must have been enrolled in the program for at least the standard term for completion, earned at least 30 credits in accordance with the stipulations of the applicable Graduate School Regulations,

undergone the required research supervision, and then passed an examination and screening of a master's thesis or other specified assignment in line with the aims of the program. However, a period of 1 year or more enrolled in the program shall suffice to meet the requirement regarding term of enrollment if the student has demonstrated outstanding academic performance while enrolled.

Section 2. Requirements for completion, etc. of Doctoral Programs

(Standard term for completion)

Article 30. The standard term for completion of Doctor al Programs (Second-Stage Doctor al Programs) shall be 3 years.

(Maximum term of enrollment)

Article 31. The maximum term of enrollment in Doctoral Programs shall be 6 years.

(Requirements for completion)

Article 32. To complete a Doctor al Program a student must have been enrolled in the program for at least the standard term for completion (or 2 years for students to whom clause 2 of Article 53 applies and who have completed in the Law School), earned credits in accordance with the stipulations of the applicable Graduate School Regulations, undergone the required research supervision, and then submitted a doctoral dissertation and passed an examination and screening thereof.

2. Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, if the student has demonstrated outstanding research performance while enrolled, a period of 1 year or more enrolled in the program shall suffice to meet the requirement regarding term of enrollment. However, if clause 1 or 2 of Article 53 applies and the student has already completed a Master's or Professional Graduate Degree Program with a standard completion term of between 1 and 2 years, the sufficient period shall be the standard term for completion minus 1-2 years (maximum of 2 years); if the student has completed a Master's Program after enrollment of 1 year or more pursuant to outstanding academic performance, the sufficient period shall be the standard term of completion minus the term of enrollment in the said Master 's Program (maximum of 2 years).

Section 3. Requirements for completion, etc. of Integrated Doctor al Program

(Standard term for completion)

Article 33. The standard term for completion of Integrated Doctor al Program shall be 5 years.

(Maximum term of enrollment)

Article 34. The maximum term of enrollment in Integrated Doctor al Program shall be 10 years.

(Requirements for completion)

Article 35. To complete an Integrated Doctor al Program a student must have been enrolled in the program for at least the standard term for completion, earned at least 30 credits in accordance with the stipulations of the applicable Graduate School Regulations, undergone the required research supervision, and then submitted a doctoral dissertation passed an examination and screening thereof. However, a period of 3 year s or more enrolled in the program (including the two-year term of enrollment in the Master's Program if clause 1 of Article 53 applies) shall suffice to meet the requirement regarding term of enrollment, if the student has demonstrated outstanding academic performance while enrolled.

2. Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, if clause 1 of Article 53 applies and the student has already completed a Master's Program with a standard completion term of between 1 and 2 years, a period of 3 year s plus the said period of between 1 and 2 years (maximum of 2 years) shall suffice to meet the requirement regarding term of enrollment; if the student has completed a Master's Program after enrollment of 1 year or more pursuant to outstanding academic performance, the sufficient period shall be 3 year s plus the period of enrollment in the said Master 's Program (maximum of 2 years). However, if the student has demonstrated outstanding research performance while enrolled, an enrollment term of 3 years including the period enrolled in the Master's Program (maximum of 2 years) shall suffice.

3. Notwithstanding the preceding two paragraphs, if clause 2 or 3 of Article 53 applies, the requirements for completion shall be that the student has been enrolled in the program for at least 3 years (or 2 years if clause 2 of Article 53 applies and the student has completed the Law School Program), undergone the required research supervision, and then submitted a doctor al dissertation passed an examination and screening thereof. However, a period of 1year or more enrolled in the program (or if the student has completed a Professional Graduate Degree Program with a standard completion term of 1-2 years, 3 years minus the said term of 1-2 years) shall suffice to meet the requirement regarding term of enrollment, if the student has demonstrated outstanding academic performance while enrolled.

Section 4. Requirements for completion, etc. of Four-Year Doctoral Programs

(Standard term for completion)

Article 35-2 The standard completion term of the Four-Year Doctoral Program shall be 4years.

(Maximum term of enrollment)

Article 35-3 The maximum term of enrollment of the Four-Year Doctoral Program shall be 8year s.

(Requirements for completion)

Article 35-4 To complete the Four-year Doctoral program a student must have been enrolled in the program for at least the standard term for completion, earned at least 30 credits in accordance with the stipulations of the applicable Graduate School Regulations, undergone the required research supervision, and then passed an examination and screening of a doctoral thesis. However, an enrollment period of at least 3 years shall

suffice in meeting the enrollment requirement if the student has demonstrated outstanding achievements while enrolled.

Section 5. Approval of credit, etc.

(External research supervision)

Article 36. When judged educationally beneficial by the Graduate School Committee, students may be permitted to undergo necessary research supervision in another graduate school or research institute. However, in the event that such approval is granted to a Master's Program student, the research supervision shall not exceed one year in duration.

(Subjects offered at an external graduate school or another graduate school within Ritsumeikan University)

Article 37. When judged educationally beneficial by the Graduate School Committee, students may be permitted to take a curricular subject offered at a graduate school outside the University (including overseas) or a different graduate school within the University.

2. Credits earned in curricular subjects pursuant to the preceding paragraph may, up to a maximum of 10 credits, be deemed as earned in the graduate school program in which the student is currently enrolled.

(Approval of credits earned before admission)

Article 38. When judged educationally beneficial by the Graduate School Committee, credits earned by students for subjects completed in a graduate school prior to admission to the University (including credits earned under non-degree study programs) may be deemed to have been earned by completing curricular subjects after enrollment in the graduate school program in which the student is currently enrolled.

2. The number of credits which may be deemed pursuant to the preceding paragraph shall not exceed 10 credits earned outside the program in which the student is currently enrolled, except in cases of transfer admission.

3. The number of credits which may be deemed pursuant to paragraph 1 shall not exceed 12 credits earned within the program in which the student is currently enrolled.

(Approval of credits)

Article 39. Approval of credits under the preceding two articles shall be determined by the Graduate School Dean following deliberation by the Graduate School Committee.

Chapter 6. Professional Graduate Degree Programs

Section 1. Requirements for completion, etc. of Professional Graduate Degree Programs

(Standard term for completion)

Article 40. The standard term for completion of Professional Graduate Degree Programs shall be 2 years. However, the standard term of completion in the School of Law shall be 3 years, and the standard term of completion in the 1-Year Program in the Graduate School of Management Major in Management shall be 1 year.

(Maximum term of enrollment)

Article 41. The maximum term of enrollment in Professional Graduate Degree Programs shall be 4 years. However, the maximum term of enrollment in the School of Law shall be 5 years.

2. The maximum terms of enrollment prescribed in the preceding paragraph are exclusive of anytime deemed enrolled pursuant to the provisions of Article 43.

(Completion of curriculum over an extended period)

Article 41-2. Notwithstanding the previous article, when a student has reported his/her wish to complete the educational curriculum in a planned manner over a certain period of time exceeding the standard term for completion due to having an occupation, the Graduate School Dean may approve the student's planned course of study with the maximum term of enrollment as the upper limit following deliberation by the Graduate School Committee.

(Requirements for completion)

Article 42. To complete a Professional Graduate Degree Program a student must have been enrolled in the program for at least the standard term for completion, earned at least 30 credits in accordance with the stipulations of the applicable Graduate School Regulations, and completed the other components of the educational curriculum.

2. Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, to complete the School of Law a student must have been enrolled in the program for at least the standard term for completion, earned at least 99 credits in accordance with the stipulations of the applicable Graduate School Regulations, and completed the educational curriculum.

3. Notwithstanding paragraph 1, to complete the Graduate School of Professional Teacher Education a student must have been enrolled in the program for at least the standard term for completion, earned at least 46 credits in accordance with the stipulations of the applicable Graduate School Regulations (including at least 10 credits related to practical training conducted in primary and secondary schools and other related institutions with the aim to cultivate teachers that possess highly professional abilities and excellent teacher qualities), and completed the educational curriculum.

4. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, when judged educationally beneficial, students who have had practical experience as a teacher in primary and secondary schools or special support schools before enrollment may be able to claim exemption from all or a portion of the practical training credits, not exceeding a total of 10 credits. In this case, to complete the Graduate School of Professional Teacher Education a student must have been enrolled in the program for at least the standard term for completion, earned at least 46 credits in accordance with the stipulations of the applicable Graduate School Regulations after making an allowance for the number of exempted credits (e.g., student

must earn at least 36 credits if 10 credits have been exempted), and completed the educational curriculum.

(Reduction of standard term of enrollment)

Article 43. Pursuant to the provisions of Article 48, in the event that credits earned by a student prior to enrollment in a Professional Graduate School at Ritsumeikan University (only those earned after the student became eligible for enrollment pursuant to paragraph 1, Article 102 of the Schools Education Act) are deemed to have been earned in the student's currently enrolled program and the student is recognized as having completed a portion of the educational curriculum in the Professional Graduate School in question, the student may be deemed to have been enrolled in the Professional Graduate School for up to one half of the standard term for completion of the enrolled program, taking into account factors such as the number of credits and the time required to earn them. However, in such a case, the student must remain enrolled in the Professional Graduate School in question for at least one year (two years in the School of Law).

2. The period which a student may be deemed to have been enrolled in the School of Law pursuant to the provisions of the preceding paragraph shall not exceed one year.

3. The periods deemed pursuant to the preceding two paragraphs shall be determined by the applicable Graduate School Dean following deliberation by the Graduate School Committee.

(Students with previous legal studies experience)

Article 44. A student recognized as possessing foundation academic knowledge of the law required by the School of Law (hereinafter "student with prior legal studies experience") may for the purposes of fulfilling paragraph 2 of Article 42 be deemed by the School of Law to have been enrolled for a period not exceeding one year, and/or to have earned credits not exceeding 35 credits.

2. The period for which a student with prior legal studies experience can be deemed enrolled pursuant to the provisions of the preceding paragraph must not exceed one year when combined with the period deemed enrolled pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 2 of the preceding article.

3. The number of credits which a student with prior legal studies experience can be deemed to have earned pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 1 must not exceed 36 credits when combined with the credits deemed earned pursuant to the provisions of Articles 47 and 48.

Section 2. Approval of credit, etc.

(Class methods, etc.)

Article 45. In addition to the stipulations of Article 20, classes in Professional Graduate Schools shall be conducted with a view to practical education to achieve the purposes of the Professional Graduate Schools, and may include, in accordance with the field of

specialization, case studies, field surveys, two-way or multi-directional debates or question-answer sessions, and/or other appropriate methods.

2. If judged necessary by the Graduate School Committee, classes stipulated in paragraph 1 of Article 20 and in the preceding paragraph may be conducted at venues other than those usually used for classes, making advanced use of diverse media tools.

(Subject registration limits in Professional Graduate Schools)

Article 46. The maximum number of credits for which a student may register in any one academic year or semester shall be stipulated in the regulations of the Graduate School in question.

(Subjects offered at an external graduate school or another graduate school within Ritsumeikan University)

Article 47. When judged educationally beneficial by the Graduate School Committee, students may be permitted to take a curricular subject offered at a graduate school outside the University (including overseas) or a different graduate school within the University.

2. Credits earned in curricular subjects pursuant to the preceding paragraph may, up to a maximum of one half of the credits required for completion in the Professional Graduate School concerned, be deemed as earned in the Professional Graduate School Program in which the student is currently enrolled.

3. Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, for students in the School of Law, credits earned in curricular subjects pursuant to paragraph 1 may, up to a maximum of 36 credits, be deemed as earned in the School of Law.

(Approval of credits earned before admission)

Article 48. When judged educationally beneficial by the Graduate School Committee, credits earned by students for subjects completed in a graduate school prior to admission to the Professional Graduate School concerned (including credits earned under non-degree study programs) may be deemed to have been earned by completing curricular subjects after enrollment in the Professional Graduate School Program in which the student is currently enrolled.

2. The credits which may be deemed pursuant to the preceding paragraph shall not, when combined with the credits deemed pursuant to paragraph 2 of the preceding article, exceed one half of the total credits required for completion in the Professional Graduate School concerned, not counting credits in the program in which the student is currently enrolled, and except in cases of transfer admission.

3. Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, for students in the School of Law, the credits which may be deemed pursuant to paragraph 1 shall not, when combined with the credits deemed pursuant to paragraph 3 of the preceding article, exceed 36 credits, not counting credits in the program in which the student is currently enrolled, and except in cases of transfer admission.

4. The number of credits which may be deemed earned pursuant to paragraph 1 shall not exceed 30 credits earned within the program in which the student is currently

enrolled.

5. The number of credits deemed to have been earned pursuant to paragraph 1 shall not, when combined with the credits deemed to have been earned pursuant to paragraph 2 of the preceding article and the credits deemed to have been exempted pursuant to paragraph 4 of Article 42, exceed one half of the total credits required for completion in the Graduate School of Professional Teacher Education, except in cases of transfer admission.

(Approval of credits)

Article 49. Approval of credits under the preceding two articles shall be determined by the Graduate School Dean following deliberation by the Graduate School Committee.

(Graduate School Regulations)

Article 49-2 In addition to the stipulations in Chapter 3 through 6, types of curricular subjects, credits required for completion, and approval of credits shall be prescribed in the regulations of each Graduate School.

Chapter 7. Academic Degrees

(Degrees)

Article 50. Matters concerning academic degrees and the conferral thereof shall be handled pursuant to the Ritsumeikan University Academic Degree Regulations.

Chapter 8. Admission

(Admission dates)

Article 51. Students shall be admitted to the University in April or September each year.

(Eligibility for admission to Master's Programs, Integrated Doctoral Program and Professional Graduate Degree Programs)

Article 52. Students must fulfill one of the following conditions to be eligible for admission to Master's Programs, Integrated Doctoral Program and Professional Graduate Degree Programs.

(1) Graduation from university

(2) Application of paragraph 1, Article 155 of the School Education Act Enforcement Ordinance to recognize academic ability equal to or greater than that of a university graduate

(3) Enrollment of at least three years in university (including equivalents thereto stipulated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology) and recognized outstanding performance in completion of the credits stipulated by the Graduate School concerned

(Eligibility for admission to Doctoral Programs)

Article 53. Students must fulfill one of the following conditions to be eligible for

admission to Second-Stage Doctoral Programs.

(1) Holding a Master's Degree

(2) Holding a Professional Graduate Degree

(3) Application of Article 156 of the School Education Act Enforcement Ordinance to recognize academic ability equal to or greater than that of the holder of a Master's or Professional Graduate Degree.

(Eligibility for admission to Four-year Doctoral Program)

Article 53-2 Students must fulfill one of the following conditions to be eligible for admission to Four-year Doctoral Programs.

(1) Graduated from a Six-year college of pharmaceutical sciences

(2) Holding a Master's Degree (related to pharmacy)

(3) Application of Article 156 of the School Education Act Enforcement Ordinance to recognize academic ability equal to or greater than that of the holder prescribed in the preceding two clauses.

(Eligibility for transfer admission to Master's Programs and Professional Graduate Degree Programs)

Article 54. Eligibility for transfer admission to Master's Programs and Professional Graduate Degree Programs shall be prescribed in transfer admission application guidelines.

(Eligibility for transfer admission at third year level of Integrated Doctoral Program)

Article 55. Students must fulfill one of the conditions set forth in Article 53 to be eligible for transfer admission at third year level of Integrated Doctoral Program.

(Eligibility for re-admission)

Article 56. Students who have withdrawn or been removed from the register may be eligible for re-admission to the same Graduate School within a period of two years counting from the day following the last day of the semester in which they withdrew or were removed. However, students removed from the register after expiration of the maximum term of enrollment prescribed in Article 28, Article 31, Article 34, Article 35-3, and Article 41, and those subjected to disciplinary withdrawal pursuant to paragraph 1 of Article 91, are not eligible for re-admission.

(Application for admission, etc.)

Article 57. Students wishing to gain admission, transfer admission, and re-admission (hereinafter termed collectively "admission, etc.") must apply by the prescribed date using an application form accompanied by the entrance examination fee prescribed in Article 75 and documentation prescribed in the Ritsumeikan University Regulations on Application and Procedures for Admission (hereinafter referred to as the "Admission Regulations").

2. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, the entrance examination fee shall not be charged in the following cases.

- (1) The applicant is taking an examination for re-admission
 - (2) The applicant is scheduled to complete a Master's or Professional Graduate Degree Program in a Graduate School of Ritsumeikan University, and is taking an examination for admission to a Second-Stage Doctoral Program, Four-Year Doctoral Program, or the third year of an Integrated Doctoral Program within one year counting from the day following the final day of the semester in which he/she completes the current program
 - (3) The applicant has completed a Master's or Professional Graduate Degree Program in a Graduate School of Ritsumeikan University, and is taking an examination prescribed in the preceding clause within one year counting from the day following the final day of the semester in which he/she completed the said program
 - (4) The applicant is a Japanese government scholarship international student recommended by an Embassy or university
 - (5) The applicant is a Japanese government scholarship international student of a university selected for the "Top Global University Project".
 - (6) A non-collection arrangement has been made pursuant to an agreement with another university or organization
3. Matters concerning application for Admission shall be prescribed in the Admission Regulations.

(Selection of students for admission)

Article 58. Applicants for admission shall be selected pursuant to methods prescribed separately, and successful applicants shall be determined by the President following deliberation by the Graduate School Committee.

2. The Graduate School Deans shall notify successful applicants under the preceding paragraph of their admission.

3. Necessary matters concerning the selection of applicants for admission shall be prescribed in guidelines for admission produced each academic year.

(Enrollment procedures)

Article 59. Persons receiving notification of selection under paragraph 2 of the preceding article must pay the prescribed amounts and submit enrollment documents by the prescribed date, pursuant to the stipulations of the Admission Regulations.

2. The President shall grant admission to persons who have completed the enrollment procedures under the preceding paragraph.

Chapter 9. Leave of Absence, Reinstatement, Internal Transfer, Study Abroad, Withdrawal, and Removal from the Register

(Leave of absence)

Article 60. Students who are unable to engage in their studies for two months or more due to illness or other unavoidable reason may apply for leave of absence.

2. The President may approve an application for leave of absence.

3. The President may order leave of absence for students who are judged unfit for study

due to illness.

4. The maximum continuous term of leave of absence shall be two years. However, approval may be granted for an extension of this term of up to one year on special grounds.

5. Leave of absence must not exceed three years in total. However, in Integrated Doctoral Program, leaves of absence may be taken up to a cumulative total of five years.

6. Notwithstanding the provision of the preceding paragraph, if the reason for application pursuant to paragraph 1 is a disaster or emergency situation recognized by the President, the leave of absence term shall not be included in the three years total (or five years cumulative total in Integrated Doctoral Program) under the preceding paragraph.

7. Leave of absence terms shall not be counted as time enrolled at the University.

(Reinstatement)

Article 61. When students currently on leave of absence apply for reinstatement, the President may permit such reinstatement.

(Internal transfer)

Article 62. If a graduate school student wishes to transfer to another Graduate School or major prescribed in Article 5 and that Graduate School or major has the same conditions for eligibility for admission under Articles 52, 53, 53-2, and 55 as the student's currently enrolled Graduate School or Major, the President may permit such transfer pursuant to selection by the Graduate School Committee of the post-transfer Graduate School, and following deliberation by the Graduate School Committees of both the pre-transfer and post-transfer Graduate Schools.

2. Recognition of credits earned prior to transfer shall be determined by the Dean of the post-transfer Graduate School, following deliberation by the Graduate School Committee of the post-transfer Graduate School.

(Study abroad)

Article 63. "Study abroad" means enrolling in regular curricular subjects, undergoing research supervision, or engaging in research for a period equivalent to at least one semester at a graduate school or comparable institution of higher education or research outside Japan, under a formal agreement or arrangement.

2. Students applying to undertake study abroad may be permitted to do so by the President, if judged educationally beneficial.

3. Periods of study abroad shall be counted as time enrolled at the University.

(Withdrawal)

Article 64. Students wishing to withdraw must obtain permission from the President.

(Removal from the register)

Article 65. Students to whom any of the following apply shall be removed from the register by the President. However, students to whom clause (6) applies shall be removed

from the register by the President, following deliberation by the Graduate School Academic Affairs Committee.

- (1) Failure to pay tuition, matriculation fees, or special enrollment fees
- (2) Expiration of the maximum terms of enrollment prescribed in Article 28, Article 31, Article 34, Article 35-3, and Article 41
- (3) Failure to reinstate after expiration of the leave of absence period prescribed in paragraph 5 of Article 60
- (4) Failure to complete the prescribed procedures by the final day of a leave of absence period
- (5) Death
- (6) Adjudged to have no prospect of continuing studies

(Other procedures)

Article 66. Procedures concerning leave of absence, reinstatement, internal transfer, study abroad, withdrawal and removal from the register other than those provided in this section shall be prescribed in the Ritsumeikan University Regulations on Student Status.

Chapter 10. International Students, Non-Degree Students, Special Auditing Students, Post-Master's Research Students, Doctoral Research Students, Professional Training Students, Special Research Students, and International Students

(International students)

Article 67. A person of non-Japanese nationality who enters Japan for the purpose of receiving graduate school education, is admitted to one of the University's Graduate Schools and enrolls in a degree program shall be treated as an international student.

(Non-degree students)

Article 68. A person who applies to take curricular subjects in one of the University's Graduate Schools may, after screening and following deliberation by the Graduate School Committee, be permitted by the Graduate School Dean to enroll as a non-degree student.

2. Matters concerning non-degree students shall be prescribed in the Ritsumeikan University Non-Degree Student Regulations.

(Auditing students)

Article 68-2. A person who applies to audit curricular subjects in one of the University's Graduate Schools may, after screening and following deliberation by the Graduate School Committee, be permitted by the Graduate School Dean to enroll as an auditing student.

2. Matters concerning auditing students shall be prescribed in the Ritsumeikan University Auditing Students Regulations.

(Special auditing students)

Article 69. A person who applies to take subjects at one of the University's Graduate Schools pursuant to an agreement, etc. with another university or junior college

(including institutions outside Japan) may, after screening and following deliberation by the Graduate School Committee, be permitted by the Graduate School Dean to enroll as a special auditing student.

2. Matters concerning special auditing students shall be prescribed in the Ritsumeikan University Special Auditing Students Regulations.

(Post-Master's research students)

Article 70. A person who has obtained a Master's or Professional Graduate Degree in one of the University's Graduate Schools and wishes to continue their research and make use of the University's research facilities may, after screening by the Graduate School Committee, be permitted by the Graduate School Dean to enroll as a post-Master's research student.

2. Matters concerning post-Master's research students shall be prescribed in the Ritsumeikan University Post-Master's research students Regulations.

(Doctoral research students)

Article 71. A person who has obtained a Doctoral degree in one of the University's Graduate Schools, or withdrawn from a Second-Stage Doctoral Program, Integrated Doctoral Program, or Four-Year Doctoral Program after being enrolled for at least the standard completion term and satisfying the curricular requirements stipulated by the Graduate School concerned, and who wishes to continue their research and make use of the University's research facilities may, after screening by the Graduate School Committee, be permitted by the Graduate School Dean to enroll as a Doctoral research student.

2. Matters concerning Doctoral research students shall be prescribed in the Ritsumeikan University Doctoral Research Students Regulations.

(Professional training students)

Article 72. A person who has obtained a Professional Graduate Degree in one of the University's Professional Graduate Schools and wishes to make use of the University's facilities to continue their studies may, after screening and deliberation by the Graduate School Committee, be permitted by the Graduate School Dean to enroll as a professional training student.

2. Matters concerning professional training students shall be prescribed in the Ritsumeikan University Professional Training Student Regulations.

(Special research students)

Article 73. A person who wishes to undergo research supervision in one of the University's Graduate Schools pursuant to an agreement with an external graduate school, etc. (including a graduate school, etc. outside Japan) may, after screening and following deliberation by the Graduate School Committee, be permitted by the Graduate School Dean to enroll as a special research student.

2. Matters concerning special research students shall be prescribed in the Ritsumeikan

University Special Research Student Regulations.

(International research students)

Article 74. Students in any of the following categories who wish to take curricular subjects or undergo research supervision in one of the University's Graduate Schools may, after screening and following deliberation by the Graduate School Committee, be permitted by the Graduate School Dean to enroll as an international research student.

- (1) Japanese government scholarship international students
- (2) International students participating in the Chinese Government Graduate Student Over seas

Study (Joint Development) Program

- (3) International students participating in the Afghanistan Human Resource Development Project
- (4) International students participating in research programs to Japan supported by the Japan Foundation
- (5) International students participating in the Brazilian Government's Science Without Borders Program
- (6) International students participating in the Japan-Mexico Training Program for the Strategic Global Partnership
- (7) International students participating in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia government study abroad program
- (8) International students participating in the Interchange Association, Japan scholarship system

2. Matters concerning international research students shall be prescribed in the Ritsumeikan University Graduate Schools International Research Student Regulations.
Chapter 11. Tuition, Dues and Charges

(Entrance examination fees)

Article 75. Entrance examination fees are prescribed in Fee Annexure 1.

(Admission fee)

Article 76. Enrolling students must pay the admission fee prescribed in Fee Annexure 2-1.

2. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, the admission fee shall not be charged in the following cases.

- (1) A person who has graduated from or completed a degree program at a university or graduate school established by the Ritsumeikan Trust (hereinafter, "Ritsumeikan group university" or "Ritsumeikan group graduate school") enrolls in one of the University's Graduate Schools.
- (2) A person to whom clause (3) of Article 52 applies enrolls in one of the University's Graduate Schools directly from a Ritsumeikan group university
- (3) A person who has withdrawn from a Second-Stage Doctoral or Integrated Doctoral Program, or Four-Year Doctoral Program at a Ritsumeikan group graduate school after

fulfilling all completion requirements of that program other than the doctoral dissertation enrolls in one of the University's Graduate Schools.

(Tuition)

Article 77. Students must pay spring and fall semester tuition fees each semester in accordance with their Graduate School and year level of enrollment. However, for students who entered the university in September, the spring semester tuition fee shall constitute tuition for the fall semester, and the fall semester tuition fee shall constitute tuition for the spring semester of the same.

2. Tuition amounts under the preceding paragraph are stipulated in Fee Annexures 3-1 for Master's Programs, 3-2 for Second-Stage Doctoral Programs, 3-3 for Integrated Doctoral Program, 3-4 for Professional Graduate Degree Programs, and 3-5 for Four-Year Doctoral Program.

3. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, one half of the tuition amounts stipulated in the preceding paragraph shall be applied to persons who have been enrolled in excess of the standard completion term in their Graduate School (not including any period deemed enrolled pursuant to Article 43), and to students with previous legal studies experience as prescribed in Article 44 who have been enrolled in excess of two years (not including any periods deemed enrolled pursuant to Articles 43 and 44).

4. Notwithstanding the preceding two paragraphs, the tuition amount for each semester for students who have been approved to complete the educational curriculum over an extended period (hereinafter, "Long-term Study Student") pursuant to Article 28-2 and Article 41-2 is stipulated in Fee Annexure 3-6. However, if the student wishes to extend the period for which the "Long-term Study" has been approved, he/she shall pay half of the standard completion term semester tuition amount for each additional semester. If the student wishes to reduce the period for which the "Long-term Study" has been approved, he/she shall pay the difference between the tuition amount that has already been paid and the total amount of tuition to be paid for the standard completion term (e.g. a student that extended his/her study term by 2 semesters, but meets requirements for completion after only 1 additional semester is still responsible for paying the prorated amount of tuition for the originally extended term of 2 semesters).

5. Notwithstanding the paragraphs 2 and 3, the fixed tuition amount for those who are enrolled in excess of the standard completion term (not including any period deemed enrolled pursuant to Article 43) in the Graduate School of Management shall be one half of the amount stipulated in Fee Annexure 3-4.

6. Notwithstanding paragraphs 2 and 3, tuition for those who have fulfilled all completion requirements other than the doctoral dissertation in a Doctoral, Integrated Doctoral Program, or Four-Year Doctoral Program shall be 100,000 yen per semester.

(Laboratory fees) Article 78. Students taking specified subjects or programs must pay laboratory fees stipulated in the Ritsumeikan University Regulations on the Payment of Tuition and Other Fees.

(Matriculation fee)

Article 79. Students on leave of absence must pay in lieu of tuition the matriculation fee prescribed in Fee Annexure 4-1 each semester for the applicable period (including the semester in which the leave was commenced).

(Special enrollment fee)

Article 80. Students to whom any of the following clauses apply must pay, in lieu of tuition, the special enrollment fee prescribed in Fee Annexure 4-2 each semester.

(1) Students who are studying at another graduate school in a degree program operated pursuant to an agreement between that graduate school and one of the University's Graduate Schools, and who are required to pay fees to that graduate school (except those who have entered or transferred to one of the University's Graduate Schools as part of the program)

(2) Students who have applied for conferral of a degree in a Doctoral, Integrated Doctoral Program, or Four-Year Doctoral Program and are enrolling in the semester following expiration of the standard enrollment term in order to undergo examination for degree conferral.

(Credit transfer fee)

Article 80-2. Students in the Graduate School of Management seeking recognition of credits earned prior to enrollment in accordance with Article 47 and 48 must pay a credit transfer fee by the designated date. However, credits to which any of the following apply shall be excluded from this fee.

(1) Credits earned by completion of curricular subjects of the Graduate School of Management prior to admission as a non-degree student.

(2) Credits earned by completion of curricular subjects of the Graduate School of Management prior to readmission to the University.

(Non-degree tuition, etc.)

Article 81. Persons applying to take curricular subjects as non-degree students must pay the non-degree student screening fee by the designated date.

2. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, the non-degree student screening fee shall not be charged for any of the following.

(1) Subjects taken in the Finance and Law Course

(2) Subjects taken in the Disaster Mitigation of Urban Cultural Heritage Program

(3) Subjects taken as a Research Advisor (in the Graduate School of Policy Science)

(4) Subjects taken in the Early Registration of Graduate Subjects Program

(5) Subjects taken in the Graduate School Entrance Program for Undergraduates

(6) Subjects taken in the Study in Kyoto Program

(7) Subjects taken as a Practicum Advisor (in the Graduate School of Technology Management)

(8) Subjects taken pursuant to a non-collection of fees arrangement under an agreement with another university or organization

3. Per sons permitted to be non-degree students must pay the non-degree student registration fee by the designated date.
4. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, the non-degree student registration fee shall not be charged if any of the clauses of paragraph 2 apply. However, this shall not be applied in the case of clause (1).
5. Non-degree students must pay the non-degree tuition prescribed in Fee Annexure 5-1 by the designated date.
6. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, non-degree tuition shall not be charged if clause (3), (4), (5) or (7) of paragraph 2 applies.

(Auditing fee, etc.)

Article 81-2. Per sons seeking to become auditing students must pay the auditing student screening fee by the designated date.

2. Auditing students must pay the auditing fee prescribed in Fee Annexure 5-1-2 by the designated date.
3. Notwithstanding the preceding two paragraphs, the auditing student screening fee and auditing fee shall not be charged if so arranged under an agreement with another university or organization.

(Fee amounts, etc.)

Article 81-3. Matters concerning the amounts and payment of the credit transfer fee, non-degree student screening fee, non-degree student registration fee, and auditing student screening fee shall be prescribed in the Ritsumeikan University Regulations on Student Charges.

(Special course fee)

Article 82. Per sons permitted to be special auditing students must pay the special course fee prescribed in Fee Annexure 5-2 by the designated date.

2. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, the special course fee shall not be charged if so arranged under an agreement with another university or organization.

(Post-Master's research student fee)

Article 83. Per sons permitted to be post-Master's research students must pay the post-Master's research student fee prescribed in Fee Annexure 5-3 by the designated date.

(Doctoral research student fee)

Article 84. Persons permitted to be Doctoral research students must pay the Doctoral research student fee prescribed in Fee Annexure 5-4 by the designated date.

(Professional training student fee)

Article 85. Per sons permitted to be professional training students must pay the professional training student fee prescribed in Fee Annexure 5-5 by the designated date.

(International research student fee)

Article 86. Persons permitted to be international research students must pay the international research student fee prescribed in Fee Annexure 5-6 by the designated date.

2. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, the international research student fee shall not be charged to Japanese Government Scholarship international students by university recommendation, or to international students participating in the Chinese Government Graduate Student Overseas Study (Joint Development) Program.

(Tuition and fee waiver s)

Article 87. Notwithstanding Articles 57, 77, 79 and 80, the entrance examination fee, admission fee, tuition, matriculation fee and special enrollment fee may be waived in part or full.

2. Matters in regard to the preceding paragraph shall be prescribed in the Ritsumeikan University Tuition Reduction Regulations for Students Experiencing Hardship in Times of Disaster and Emergency, the Ritsumeikan University International Student Tuition Reduction Regulations, and the Ritsumeikan University Regulations on Entrance Examination Fee Waiver for Applicants in Areas Eligible under the Disaster Relief Act.

(Payment of tuition and other fees)

Article 88. Matters concerning the payment of entrance examination fees, admission fees, tuition, laboratory fees, matriculation fees, special enrollment fees, non-degree tuition, auditing fees, special course fees, post-Master's research student fees, Doctoral research student fees, professional training student fees and international research student fees shall be prescribed in the Ritsumeikan University Regulations on Payment of Tuition and Other Fees.

(Refund of tuition and other fees)

Article 89. Entrance examination fees, admission fees, tuition, laboratory fees, matriculation fees, special enrollment fees, non-degree tuition, auditing fees, special course fees, post-Master's research student fees, Doctoral research student fees, professional training student fees and international research student fees already paid shall not be refunded.

2. Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, a refund may be made, limited only to regular tuition already paid, if the intention to decline admission is notified by the following dates:

(1) Persons scheduled for admission in April: By March 31 of the academic year prior to scheduled admission

(2) Persons scheduled for admission in September: By September 25 of the academic year of scheduled admission

3. Notwithstanding paragraph 1, persons who are withdrawn or removed from the register shall be refunded an amount already paid equal to tuition for the fall semester of the current academic year and thereafter if withdrawal or removal occurs on or before September 25, or an amount already paid equal to tuition for the spring semester of the following academic year if withdrawal or removal occurs on or before March 31.

4. Notwithstanding paragraph 1, non-degree students and auditing students who have made payments of non-degree tuition or auditing fees in spring semester that include portions due for fall semester and have then cancelled fall semester subject(s) as part of fall semester course registration shall be refunded an amount of fees paid corresponding to the number of subjects cancelled.

Chapter 12. Awards and Punishment s

(Awards)

Article 90. The President may award those whose conduct as a student is deserving of award.

(Punishments)

Article 91. The President shall, following deliberation by the Graduate School Committee, take disciplinary action against persons who have behaved in a manner contrary to their obligations as students.

2. The types of disciplinary action shall be withdrawal, suspension, and reprimand.

3. Periods of suspension shall be counted as time enrolled at the university but not included in the standard completion term. However, periods of suspension of three months or less may be included in the standard completion term.

4. Matters concerning disciplinary action shall be prescribed in the Ritsumeikan University Student Discipline Regulations.

Chapter 13. Amendment and Abolition

(Amendments)

Article 92. Amendment of these regulations shall be determined by the Board of Trustees following deliberation by the Graduate School Committee, the University Senate, and the Executive Board of Trustees. However, amendments pertaining only to certain Graduate Schools shall not require deliberation by other Graduate School Committees.

Supplementary provision

These regulations are effective from April 1, 1954.

Supplementary provision (March 27, 2015: Partial amendments following the enforcements of the "Amendment of the Education Act and the Act of National University Corporations" and the "Ministerial Ordinance for Partial Amendments of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the School Education Act and the Ordinance for Enforcement of the National University Corporation Act", and the addition of auditing students in the Graduate School of Letters) These regulations are effective from April 1, 2015.

Supplementary provision (January 26, 2018 Partial amendments following the establishment of the Pharmaceutical Science Major in the Graduate School of Pharmacy)

- 1 These regulations are effective from April 1, 2019.
- 2 Notwithstanding the changed provision of Article 6, the overall enrollment quota of the Pharmaceutical Science Major Master's Program in the Graduate School of Pharmacy and the total overall enrollment quota for 2019 shall be as follows.

School	Major	Program type	AY2019
Graduate School of Pharmacy	Pharmaceutical Science Major	Master's Program	20
Total overall enrollment quota			4,156

Supplementary provision (November 30, 2018 Partial amendments due to Premier Leadership Ph.D. Program establishment and due to the partial amendment of the Standards for the Establishment of Graduate Schools, etc.)

- 1 These regulations are effective from April 1, 2019.
- 2 Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, the amended Article 10-3 shall apply to students who are admitted to the University on September 26, 2018 or later and are enrolled at the University on March 31, 2019.
- 3 Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 1, the entrance examination fees for the Professional Graduate Degree Program in the School of Law (Article 75 Fee Annexure 1-1 (Entrance examination fee)) shall be a temporary measure for the entrance examinations for 2019 admission, 2020 admission and 2021 admission.
- 4 The table in paragraph 5 of the supplementary provisions for these regulations that are to be effective from April 1, 2018 (January 27, 2017 Partial amendments due to the establishment of Graduate School of Human Science, suspension of admission to the Graduate School of Science for Human Services and Graduate School of Public Policy and change to overall enrollment quotas for the Graduate School of Science and Engineering majors) shall be as follows.

School	Major	Program type	AY2018	AY2019
Graduate School of Science and Engineering	Advanced Electrical, Electronic and Computer Systems Major	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	320	280
	Advanced Architectural, Environmental and Civil Engineering Major	First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program	200	240
Graduate School of	Major in Science for	Master's Program	60	-

Science for Human Services	Human Services			
Graduate School of Public Policy	Major in Public Policy	Master’s Program	60	-
Graduate School of Human Science	Human Science Major	First-Stage Doctoral (Master’s) Program	65	130
		Second-Stage Doctoral Program	20	40
Total overall enrollment quota			4,171	4,136

5 For the supplementary provisions for these regulations that are to be effective from April 1, 2019 (January 27, 2017 Partial amendments due to the establishment of Graduate School of Human Science, suspension of admission to the Graduate School of Science for Human Services and Graduate School of Public Policy and change to overall enrollment quotas for the Graduate School of Science and Engineering majors), the change to the overall enrollment quota for the Graduate School of Pharmacy shall be deleted due to the delay in the application for establishment approval for the Graduate School of Pharmacy Pharmaceutical Science Major (Master's Program).

Fee Annexure 1-1: Entrance Examination Fee (Article 75)

(Amounts are in Japanese yen)

Method	Amount
All entrance examination methods other than those listed below	35,000
Graduate School of International Relations First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program Regular entrance examination (English-basis document screening)	5,000
Graduate School of Economics First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program Regular entrance examination *Only for September admissions into the Master's Program in Economic Development	5,000
Graduate School of Science and Engineering First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program Regular entrance examination (English-basis)	5,000
Graduate School of Science and Engineering Second-Stage Doctoral Program Regular entrance examination (English-basis)	5,000
Graduate School of Information Science and Engineering First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program Entrance examination for international students (English-basis)	5,000
Graduate School of Information Science and Engineering Second-Stage Doctoral Program Entrance examination for international students (English-basis)	5,000
Graduate School of Life Sciences First-Stage Doctoral (Master's) Program Regular entrance examination (English-basis)	5,000
Graduate School of Life Sciences Second-Stage Doctoral Program Regular entrance examination (English-basis)	5,000
Graduate School of Technology Management Second-Stage Doctoral Program Regular entrance examination (English-basis)	5,000
School of Law Professional Graduate Degree Program All entrance examinations	10,000

Fee Annexure 2-1: Admission fee (Article 76)

(Amounts are in Japanese yen)

Category	Amount
Admission, transfer entry	300,000
Re-admission	10,000

Fee Annexure 3-1: Master's Program tuition (Article 77)

(amounts are in Japanese yen)

Graduate School	Fee type	First year	Second year (see note 1)
Graduate School of Law	Spring semester tuition	375,000	375,000
	Fall semester tuition	375,000	375,000
Graduate School of Economics (excluding Master's Program in Economic Development)	Spring semester tuition	375,000	375,000
	Fall semester tuition	375,000	375,000
Graduate School of Economics (Master's Program in Economic Development)	Spring semester tuition	450,000	450,000
	Fall semester tuition	450,000	450,000
Graduate School of Business Administration	Spring semester tuition	375,000	375,000
	Fall semester tuition	375,000	375,000
Graduate School of Sociology	Spring semester tuition	375,000	375,000
	Fall semester tuition	375,000	375,000
Graduate School of Letters Major in Humanities	Spring semester tuition	375,000	375,000
	Fall semester tuition	375,000	375,000
Graduate School of Letters Major in Informatics of Behavior and Cultures	Spring semester tuition	385,600	385,600
	Fall semester tuition	385,600	385,600
Graduate School of Science and Engineering (excluding Advanced Physics Mathematics Course)	Spring semester tuition	575,000	575,000
	Fall semester tuition	575,000	575,000
Graduate School of Science and Engineering (Advanced Physics Mathematics Course)	Spring semester tuition	537,500	537,500
	Fall semester tuition	537,500	537,500
Graduate School of International Relations (excluding Global Cooperation Program)	Spring semester tuition	375,000	375,000
	Fall semester tuition	375,000	375,000
Graduate School of International Relations (Global Cooperation Program)	Spring semester tuition	450,000	450,000
	Fall semester tuition	450,000	450,000
Graduate School of Policy Science	Spring semester tuition	375,000	375,000
	Fall semester tuition	375,000	375,000
Graduate School of Language Education and	Spring semester tuition	400,000	400,000

Information Science	Fall semester tuition	400,000	400,000
Graduate School of Technology Management	Spring semester tuition	583,000	583,000
	Fall semester tuition	583,000	583,000
Graduate School of Sport and Health Science	Spring semester tuition	425,000	425,000
	Fall semester tuition	425,000	425,000
Graduate School of Image Arts and Sciences	Spring semester tuition	602,400	602,400
	Fall semester tuition	602,400	602,400
Graduate School of Information Science and Engineering	Spring semester tuition	568,600	568,600
	Fall semester tuition	568,600	568,600
Graduate School of Life Sciences	Spring semester tuition	568,600	568,600
	Fall semester tuition	568,600	568,600
Graduate School of Human Science	Spring semester tuition	425,000	425,000
	Fall semester tuition	425,000	425,000

Note 1: Tuition for the third and subsequent year is the same as second year tuition

Fee Annexure 3-2: Second-Stage Doctoral Program tuition (Article 77)

(amounts are in Japanese yen)

Graduate school	Fee type	All year levels
All graduate schools	Spring semester tuition	250,000
	Fall semester tuition	250,000

Fee Annexure 3-3: Integrated Doctoral Program tuition (Article 77)

(amounts are in Japanese yen)

Graduate school	Fee type	First year	Second year	Third to fifth year (see note 1)
Graduate School of Core Ethics and Frontier Sciences	Spring semester tuition	400,000	400,000	250,000
	Fall semester tuition	400,000	400,000	250,000

Note 1: Tuition for the sixth and subsequent years is the same as fifth year tuition.

Fee Annexure 3-4: Professional Graduate Degree Program tuition (Article 77)

(amounts are in Japanese yen)

Graduate school	Fee type		First year	Second and third years (See Note 1)
School of Law	Spring semester tuition		653,700	653,700
	Fall semester tuition		653,700	653,700
Graduate School of Management (other than Accounting Program)	Spring semester tuition	Fixed tuition	71,700	71,700
		Per-credit tuition (See Note 2)	48,000 per credit	48,000 per credit
	Spring semester tuition	Fixed tuition	71,700	71,700
		Per-credit tuition (See Note 2)	48,000 per credit	48,000 per credit
Graduate School of Professional Teaching Education	Spring semester tuition		450,000	450,000
	Fall semester tuition		450,000	450,000

Note 1: Tuition for the fourth and subsequent years is the same as third year tuition.

Note 2: The total of per-credit tuition shall be calculated by multiplying the amount per credit by the number of course registration credits in the semester.

Fee Annexure 3—5: (Four-Year Doctoral Program tuition) (Article 77)

(amounts are in Japanese yen)

Graduate Fee type All years

Graduate School	Fee type	All years
Graduate School of Pharmacy	Spring semester tuition	250,000
	Fall semester tuition	250,000

Fee Annexure 3—6:(Long-term Study in a Curricular Program tuition) (Article 77)

(amounts are in Japanese yen)

Graduate School	Number of semester which enrollment is permitted beyond the standard completion term	Amount
Graduate School of Economics	5 semesters	300,000 per semester
	6 semesters	250,000 per semester
	7 semesters	214,300 per semester
	8 semesters	187,500 per semester

Information Science	Fall semester tuition	400,000	400,000
Graduate School of Technology Management	Spring semester tuition	583,000	583,000
	Fall semester tuition	583,000	583,000
Graduate School of Sport and Health Science	Spring semester tuition	425,000	425,000
	Fall semester tuition	425,000	425,000
Graduate School of Image Arts and Sciences	Spring semester tuition	602,400	602,400
	Fall semester tuition	602,400	602,400
Graduate School of Information Science and Engineering	Spring semester tuition	568,600	568,600
	Fall semester tuition	568,600	568,600
Graduate School of Life Sciences	Spring semester tuition	568,600	568,600
	Fall semester tuition	568,600	568,600
Graduate School of Human Science	Spring semester tuition	425,000	425,000
	Fall semester tuition	425,000	425,000

Fee Annexure 4-1: Matriculation fee (Article 79)

(amounts are in Japanese yen)

Graduate school	Amount
All graduate schools	5,000 per semester

Fee Annexure 4-2: Special enrollment fee (Article 80)

(amounts are in Japanese yen)

Graduate school	Category	Amount
All graduate schools	Persons stipulated in clause (1) of Article 80	5,000 per semester
	Persons stipulated in clause (2) of Article 80	25,000 per semester

Fee Annexure 5-1: Non-degree tuition (Article 81)

(amounts are in Japanese yen)

Graduate school	Amount
Graduate School of Management	48,000 per credit
Graduate School of Science and Engineering	31,500 per credit
Graduate School of Technology Management	31,500 per credit
Graduate School of Image Arts and Sciences	31,500 per credit
Graduate School of Information Science and Engineering	31,500 per credit
Graduate School of Life Sciences	31,500 per credit
Graduate School of Pharmacy	31,500 per credit
All graduate schools (Disaster Mitigation of Urban Cultural Heritage Program)	50,900 per semester
All graduate schools (Study in Kyoto Program)	372,400 per semester
All graduate schools other than the above	21,400 per credit

Fee Annexure 5-1-2: Auditing fee (Article 81-2)

(amounts are in Japanese yen)

Category	Amount
Subjects in the Graduate School of Law, Graduate School of Policy Science, Graduate School of Core Ethics and Frontier Sciences, School of Law, Graduate School of Sport and Health Science, and Graduate School of Letters and Graduate School of Human Science	12,700 per credit
Subjects in the Graduate School of Technology Management	18,800 per credit
Subjects in the Graduate School of Management	22,900 per credit

Fee Annexure 5-2: Special Program fee (Article 82)

(amounts are in Japanese yen)

Category	Amount
Graduate School of Science and Engineering (Short-term training program for inbound international students))	305,300 per year
All graduate schools (JENESYS Program)	295,100 per semester
All graduate schools other than the above	372,400 per semester

Fee Annexure 5-3: Post-Master's research student fee (Article 83)

(amounts are in Japanese yen)

Graduate school	Amount
All graduate schools	4,200 per year

Fee Annexure 5-4: Doctoral research student fee (Article 84)

(amounts are in Japanese yen)

Graduate school	Amount
All graduate schools	14,000 per year

Fee Annexure 5-5: Professional training fee (Article 85)

(amounts are in Japanese yen)

Graduate school	Amount
All graduate schools	5,000 per year

Graduate school	Amount
All graduate schools	372,400 per semester