Ritsumeikan University Graduate School Research Grant for Doctoral Students Regulations
(Excerpt)

April 1, 2023

Regulations No. 1214

(Purpose)

Article1 These Regulations provide for the handling of the Ritsumeikan University Graduate School Doctoral Student Research Support Scholarship (Hereafter referred to as "Scholarships".).

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Article2 The purpose of the scholarship is to promote and encourage research activities that contribute to the attainment of a degree by providing financial support toward the realization of the excellent research plans of outstanding students enrolled in the graduate school. (Subjects)

Article3 Scholarships shall be awarded to:

- (1) Persons enrolled in the second half of the doctoral program
- (2) Those who are enrolled in the third or higher year of the integrated doctoral program
- (3) Those who are enrolled in the four-year doctoral program
- (2) Those who have received scholarships may not receive them again in the same academic year. The maximum number of times a person can receive a scholarship during his/her tenure shall be three. However, in the case of a person enrolled in a four-year doctoral program, the maximum number shall be four.

(Recruitment)

Article4 Scholarship applications shall be made every semester in accordance with the application guidelines.

- 2 The application guidelines shall be determined by the Director of the Graduate Career Path Promotion Office (Hereafter referred to as the "Promotion Office Director".).
- 3 In addition to what is provided for in these regulations, the application guidelines shall specify matters necessary for the application.
- 4 The amount of scholarships to be provided and the number of eligible recipients shall be determined within the annual budget.

(Scope of Execution)

Article5 Scholarships shall be used for expenses directly necessary for daily research activities, and the method of execution shall be specified separately.

(Execution period)

Article6 The scholarship shall be executed only for the relevant year and the balance may not be carried over to the next year..

(Application)

Article7 A person who wishes to receive a scholarship shall apply to the Director of the Promotion Office by the specified date, together with the prescribed application documents, in accordance with the annual application guidelines.

(Review and Decision)

Article8 Scholarship recipients (Hereafter referred to as "beneficiary".) are selected by a review committee and decided by the Director of the Promotion Office.

- (2) The review committee is composed of the following persons and is chaired by the Director of Research.
 - (1)Director of Research
 - (2)Dean of Education
 - (3)Director of Research who is not the chairperson
 - (4)Deputy Director of Education who is designated by the chairperson
 - (5) Deputy Director of Research who is designated by the chairperson
- (3) Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, the chairperson may add as many persons as he/she deems necessary to the reviewers.

(Obligations of Beneficiaries)

Article9 A beneficiary shall conduct research in good faith based on the research plan submitted at the time of application.

- (2) A beneficiary shall submit the prescribed research activity results report and financial statement by the end of the year for which he/she received the scholarship.
- (3) If there is any balance in the amount of the scholarship received, the beneficiary shall refund the balance.
- (4) The beneficiary shall refund the full amount of the scholarship received or the unspent portion if he/she did not carry out research activities after the decision was made.

(Cancellation)

Article10 The Director of the Promotion Office shall cancel a beneficiary's eligibility if the beneficiary falls under any of the following items:

- (1) When a person loses his or her academic degree
- (2) When a person takes a leave of absence from school
- (3) When a false statement or other false information is found in the application for a scholarship
- (4) When a false statement or other false information is found in the application for a scholarship
- (5) When a student is disciplined under the Ritsumeikan University Student Disciplinary Code
- (6) When other grounds arise that make a person unsuitable as a recipient (Return)
- Article11 When a recipient falls under any of the items of the preceding Article and has revoked his/her eligibility for the scholarship or is found to have used the scholarship outside the scope prescribed in Article 5, the Director of the Promotion Office may request the return of all or part of the scholarship already granted.
- (2) When a recipient is requested to return the scholarship pursuant to the provisions of the preceding paragraph, he/she shall return the scholarship in a lump sum within two weeks from the date of the request.

(Exemption from Return)

Article12 When the Director of the Promotion Office determines that there are unavoidable circumstances, such as serious injury or illness, with respect to a person who has been requested to return in accordance with Paragraph 1 of the preceding article, he/she may be exempted from full or partial return.

(Revision or Abolition)

Article13 Revision or abolition of these Regulations shall be made by the Research Committee.

Supplementary Provisions

- 1 These Regulations shall come into effect as of April 1, 2023.
- 2 With the enactment of these Regulations, the Regulations on the Cost of International Research Activity Promotion for the Doctoral Course of Ritsumeikan University, the

Regulations on the Cost of Domestic Research Activity Promotion for the Doctoral Course of Ritsumeikan University, the Regulations on Internship Scholarships for the Doctoral Course of Ritsumeikan University, and the Regulations on International Collaborative Research Scholarships for the Doctoral Course of Ritsumeikan University will be abolished as of March 31, 2023.