

Guideline for the Doctoral Dissertation

(For Applicants Who Are Completing
the Doctoral Program)

**All the formatting and styles including punctuation and
reference should be consistent.**



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Examination Schedule for the Doctoral Dissertation

2025 First Term

★Application for Preliminary Examination



Preliminary Examination



Faculty Council



★Application for Examination



First Examination



Hearing Final Examination



★Dissertation Submission



Faculty Council



Commencement

Deadline: Wed., May 7

Required Documents

- (1) Application for Preliminary Examination (Format No.1)
- (2) Doctoral Dissertation Draft
- (3) Explanatory Information (Format No.2)
- (4) Summary of the Doctoral Dissertation (Format No.3)
- (5) Checklist for Submission of Preliminary Examination

In the End of May – Beginning of July

Approval of the preliminary examination results

Deadline: Wed., July 2

Required Documents

- (1) Application for Examination of Doctoral Dissertation (Format No.5)
- (2) Doctoral Dissertation
- (3) List of Publications (Format No.6)
- (4) Summary of the Doctoral Dissertation (Format No.7)
- (5) Curriculum Vitae (Format No.8)
- (6) Checklist for Submission of Examination

End of July – Beginning of August

Beginning – Middle of August

Deadline :Web., August 20

Required Documents

- (1) Doctoral Dissertation (Printed version)
- (2) Doctoral Dissertation (PDF file)
- (3) Summary of the Doctoral Dissertation (Format No.7) data
- (4) Publication of Doctoral Dissertation on the Internet (YUNOCA)(Confirmation)

Deliberations and determination of degree conferment

Fri., September 26

※ For Those Who Completed Doctoral Program without Degree: Deadline for the application of Preliminary Examination: the end of every month; Deadline for Examination: the end of every month

Examination Schedule for the Doctoral Dissertation

2025 Second Term

★Application for
Preliminary
Examination



Preliminary
Examination



Faculty Council



★Application for
Examination



First Examination



Hearing
Final Examination



★Dissertation
Submission



Faculty Council



Commencement

Deadline :Wed., November 5

Required Documents

- (1) Application for Preliminary Examination (Format No.1)
- (2) Doctoral Dissertation Draft
- (3) Explanatory Information (Format No.2)
- (4) Summary of the Doctoral Dissertation (Format No.3)
- (5) Checklist for Submission of Preliminary Examination

In the end of November – Beginning of December

Approval of the preliminary examination results

Deadline: Wed., January 7

Required Documents

- (1) Application for Examination of Doctoral Dissertation (Format No.5)
- (2) Doctoral Dissertation
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- (4) Summary of the Doctoral Dissertation (Format No.7)
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End of January – Beginning of February

Middle of February

Deadline :Web., February 18

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- (3) Summary of the Doctoral Dissertation (Format No.7) data
- (4) Publication of Doctoral Dissertation on the Internet (YUNOCA)(Confirmation)

Deliberations and determination of degree conferment

Mon., March 16

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Required Documents

Application for Preliminary Examination

Type of Document	Format	number of copies
①Application for Preliminary Examination	Format No.1	1copy
②Doctoral Dissertation Draft	A4 size ,horizontal writing, in Japanese or English	5copies
③Explanatory Information *single-sided printing	Format No.2(*Please submit each paper (If unpublished, manuscript is acceptable) on this list as well.)	5copies and 1copy
④Summary of the Doctoral Dissertation	Format No.3,approx. 2,000 Japanese characters or 800 English words	5copies and 1copy
⑤Checklist for Submission of Preliminary Examination		1copy

※②～④(5 copies):Please bind the documents ②～④ in a flat file for each committee member.
You should prepare 5 files in total.

①, ③～⑤:Please prepare the documents except the dissertation draft in a clear file and submit it.

If members of the review committee are more than 5, please prepare and submit documents for all members.

Application for Examination

Type of Document	Format	number of copies
①Application for Examination of Doctoral Dissertation	Format No.5	1copy
②Doctoral Dissertation	A4 size ,horizontal writing, in Japanese or English	5copies
③List of Publications ※single-sided printing	Format No.6(*Please submit each paper (If unpublished, manuscript is acceptable) on this list as well.)	5copies and 1copy
④Summary of the Doctoral Dissertation	Format No.7, approx. 2,000 Japanese characters; or Format No.7, approx. 800 English words	5copies and 1copy
⑤Curriculum Vitae	Format No.8	1copy
⑥Checklist for Submission of Examination		1copy

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Final Submission of Doctoral Dissertation

Type of Document	Format	number of copies
① Doctoral Dissertation (Printed version *A simple one is acceptable)	A4 size ,horizontal writing, in Japanese or English	2 copies
② Doctoral Dissertation (PDF file)	CD-R	-
③ Summary of the Doctoral Dissertation data (Format No.7) *Please submit the data file in editable format.		
④ Publication of Doctoral Dissertation on the Internet (YUNOCA)(Confirmation)		

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•Publication of doctoral dissertation on the Internet(YUNOCA)

All the dissertations will be carried on the university website once they are submitted, unless they meet what we regard as “exceptional conditions”. In the latter case, a dissertation summary could be accepted instead.

The “exceptional conditions” include the cases, in which:

- some figures or pictures do not appear on the internet properly (e.g. solid figures)
- some information or data is not expected to be seen in public over a year since the degree was awarded, due to the concerns of copyright protection and personal information protection
- the candidate is possibly placed under unfavorable conditions by carrying his/her dissertation on the internet over a year; for example,
 - because the candidate has published some content of his/her dissertation in journals that prohibit their articles to be shown in public outside their journals
 - due to the concerns of patent application

* you will be asked to submit a document confirming its publication when you submit the final version of your dissertation

Checklist for Submission of Preliminary Examination

Applicant Name:

Phone Number (Lab):(Cell):

Email Address:

●Write a phone number where you can be reached immediately.

You may be contacted regarding submitted documents.

●This checklist needs to be submitted with your application documents.

●All the formatting and styles including punctuation and reference should be consistent.

☐ Did you prepare the following documents?

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Application for Preliminary Examination (Format No.1)

☐ Is the application date written?

☐ Is the parenthesized Japanese title placed under the English title?

☐ Did you write the name of the degree you apply for?

☐ Is the name of the supervisor written?

Doctoral Dissertation Draft

☐ Did you bind the doctoral dissertation draft in a flat file?

☐ Is the parenthesized Japanese title placed under the English title?

☐ Is the date the completion month? (March or September)

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Explanatory Information (Format No.2)

- ☐ Is the parenthesized Japanese title placed under the English title?
- ☐ Is not included any oral presentation at an academic lecture meeting in the list of related literature or references?
- ☐ Are the articles listed in chronological order?
- ☐ Did you write the names of all authors for co-authored articles?
- ☐ Did you write the names of all authors and match them exactly with the names on the paper?
- ☐ Did you match the title of the paper exactly with the title on the offprint including case-sensitive? If the paper has a subtitle, it should be written as well.
- ☐ Did you submit all of the papers listed in the item of “1. Method and Date of Publication of Related Literature”? (If not published, a manuscript is acceptable.) (Reference papers should be submitted if requested by the review committee.)

Summary of the Doctoral Dissertation (Format No.3)

- ☐ Is the summary written on horizontally in approximately 800 English words?
- ☐ Is the title of the doctoral dissertation identical to one on the application for examination?
- ☐ Is the parenthesized Japanese title placed under the English title?

Common to each Form

- ☐ Have you deleted notes on form (red letters / blue letters)?

Checklist for Submission of Examination

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<input type="checkbox"/> ⑤Curriculum Vitae	Format No.8	1copy
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☐ ②~④ (5copies) : Did you bind in a flat file for each member of the review committee?

☐ ①, ③~⑥ (each 1copy) : Did you prepare your application in a clear file?

☐ If there are more than 5 members of the committee, please submit the number of members.

Application for Examination of Doctoral Dissertation (Format No.5)

☐ Is the application date written?

☐ Is the parenthesized Japanese title placed under the English title?

☐ Did you write the name of the degree you apply for?

☐ Is the name of the supervisor written?

Doctoral Dissertation

☐ Did you bind the doctoral dissertation in a flat file?

☐ Is the parenthesized Japanese title placed under the English title?

☐ Is the date the completion month? (March or September)

List of Publications (Format No.6)

☐ Is the parenthesized Japanese title placed under the English title?

☐ Has the dissertation already been published? If it is going to be, has the plan been mentioned in the Index? (If the dissertation has yet to be published, the peer review should have been completed and the publication determined before the application for the examination.)

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- ☐ Are the articles listed in chronological order?
- ☐ Did you write the names of all authors for co-authored articles?
- ☐ Did you write the names of all authors and match them exactly with the names on the paper?
- ☐ Did you match the title of the paper exactly with the title on the offprint including case-sensitive? If the paper has a subtitle, it should be written as well.
- ☐ You should not change the title of “Explanatory Information” to make it “List of Publications”.
The information to be written in the List of Publications (Form 6) is not the same as that for the Explanatory Information (Form 2). Check if the correct information has been written.
- ☐ Did you submit all of the papers listed in the item of “1. Method and Date of Publication of Related Literature”? (If not published, a manuscript is acceptable.) (Reference papers should be submitted if requested by the review committee.)

Summary of the Doctoral Dissertation (Format No.7)

- ☐ Make sure that you use Form 7 and not Form 3. (Form 3 is for preliminary examination.)
- ☐ Is the title of the doctoral dissertation identical to one on the application for examination?
- ☐ Is the parenthesized Japanese title placed under the English title?

Curriculum Vitae (Format No.8)

- ☐ Name should be same as your official family register. (Write your name exactly same as is printed in your passport.)
- ☐ Is there Furigana above your name with?
- ☐ The prefecture should be prefecture name of your registered domicile. (Write your nationality if you are an international student.)
- ☐ The address should be your current address on your resident card.
- ☐ If you are an international student, your name should be spelled exactly same as is printed in your passport
- ☐ Make sure that the date should be application date.

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博士論文
(Doctoral Dissertation)

英 文 タ イ ト ル (Title in English)
(和 文 タ イ ト ル) (Title in Japanese)

※英文の論文であれば上段が英文、下段が和文
※Place the parenthesized Japanese title under the English title
if the dissertation is written in English.

20XX 年△△月 △△ (Month) , 20xx
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