

TKU Implementation Guidelines for Interdisciplinary Courses

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The English version is provided for reference only. The practice of the regulations shall be based on the Chinese version.)

Article 1

To encourage students to engage in interdisciplinary learning, design adaptive learning combinations, and enhance students' motivation and opportunities for interdisciplinary learning, with the goal of nurturing interdisciplinary talents, the "TKU Implementation Guidelines for Interdisciplinary Courses" (hereinafter referred to as "these Guidelines") are hereby established.

Article 2

The term "interdisciplinary courses" referred to in these Guidelines refers to the modular courses planned by each department for undergraduate programs. The required subjects and credits for these curricula are specified, and course modules for major, minor specialty, and second major under the framework of interdisciplinary courses are designed. The planning of interdisciplinary courses should be based on the minor specialty and second major subject lists approved by the university. The principles of planning for interdisciplinary courses are as follows:

- A. Major Course Module: Students undertake a combination of courses in the specialized field of their major department. The curriculum planning is carried out in accordance with *the Implementation Guidelines for TKU Curriculum Reform and Review*.
- B. Minor Specialty Course Module: Students take the minor specialty course module in a department different from their major department, totaling a minimum of twenty credits.
- C. Second Major Course Module: Students pursue a second major by completing the specialized course module of the second major in a department different from their major department, with a minimum of forty credits.

Article 3

TKU students enrolled in bachelor's program in day school, up to the third year (up to the fourth year for the Department of Architecture), who seek to apply for enrollment in interdisciplinary courses offered by a department different from their major

department, shall complete online registration within the time frame specified in the academic calendar of the second semester of each academic year and qualify for enrollment from the following academic year. Students applying for enrollment should, in addition to the major course module of their major department and general education courses, choose one of the following course combinations to apply:

- A. One minor specialty course module.
- B. Two minor specialty course modules.
- C. Second major course module.

Application for a minor specialty or second major in a particular academic department shall preclude any subsequent application for that same academic department as a dual major or minor.

Article 4

For students enrolled in interdisciplinary courses, the credits and grades from the major department, the minor specialty, and the second major department are aggregated each semester. The limitations on the total number of credits for the courses taken shall be in accordance with the *TKU Regulations on Student Course Selection*.

Article 5

Students enrolled in interdisciplinary courses shall, within the period specified in the academic calendar, submit an application for review via the “Minor Specialty and Second Major Course Review System,” which shall be used by the respective departments offering the interdisciplinary courses to verify course completion and graduation eligibility. Students who, for any reason, are unable to continue in the program shall, within the period specified in the academic calendar, register online to withdraw; however, withdrawal may not be requested prior to the completion of one full year of enrollment in the program.

Article 6

The same course shall not be counted toward more than one curriculum module. Where a course bears the same title or is of the same nature as a course in the student’s primary department, the department offering the interdisciplinary course shall determine whether such course and its credits may be recognized as part of the interdisciplinary specialty curriculum. However, the credits for such a course shall be counted only once toward the total graduation credits. The number of credits

completed by the student must satisfy both the graduation credit requirements of the primary department and those of the interdisciplinary curriculum module. If a course within the interdisciplinary courses is not recognized as counting toward the primary department's graduation credits, the student shall complete additional courses to fulfill the graduation credit requirements of the primary department.

Article 7

The mentors of interdisciplinary courses are designated by each department to guide students enrolled in the department's interdisciplinary courses in their course selection planning and course learning process.

Article 8

Those who meet the requirements for the interdisciplinary courses may have the names of the specialized fields of minor specialty or second major added to their degree certificates and transcripts.

Article 9

Students enrolled in interdisciplinary courses, who have completed the required subjects and credits of their major department but have not completed the required subjects and credits of the interdisciplinary courses, shall apply to withdraw from the interdisciplinary courses by December 31 for the first semester and by June 30 for the second semester, to qualify for graduation in the major department.

Article 10

These Guidelines shall come into effect from the date of announcement upon approval by the Academic Affairs Meeting. The same applies to any later amendments made. Matters not covered by these Guidelines shall be handled in accordance with relevant regulations of the university.