

Taipei Medical University

Directions for Implementing Academic Ethics Education

Curriculum

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Article 1 (Purpose):

Taipei Medical University (“TMU” hereinafter) has promulgated the TMU Directions for Implementing an Academic Ethics Education Curriculum (“Directions” hereinafter) in accordance with Item 6 of the TMU Principles for Handling Cases of Academic Ethics Violations in Colleges or Above to reinforce academic ethics and establish an academic self-discipline system.

Article 2 (Applicable Persons):

The Directions are applicable to the following individuals:

1. Personnel participating in TMU research projects funded by government agencies or institutions, including principal investigators, coinvestigators, research assistants, and postdoctoral researchers.
2. Graduate students applying for master’s or doctoral degree examinations in accordance with Paragraph 2, Article 2, of the TMU Enforcement Rules for Master’s and Doctoral Degree Examinations.
3. Those who have violated academic ethics and thus are required to enroll in academic ethics education courses in accordance with the TMU Principles for Handling Cases of Academic Ethics Violations in Colleges or Above.

Article 3 (Required Course Hours):

All personnel specified in Article 2 must complete academic ethics education courses for a specified number of hours, as detailed as follows:

1. The aforementioned personnel participating in TMU research projects must complete academic ethics education courses in accordance with

the regulations of their funding agencies or institutions.

2. The aforementioned graduate students must complete 18 hours of research ethics courses offered by TMU.
3. The aforementioned violators of academic ethics must complete academic ethics education courses for the number of hours specified according to the result of each individual case investigation.

If the funding agency of a TMU research project participant is the National Science and Technology Council (“NSTC” hereinafter), the participant must complete at least 6 hours of academic ethics education within 3 years of the initial application for the NSTC project and must submit relevant supporting documents to the TMU Office of Research and Development (“Office of R&D” hereinafter) for future reference. After the project has commenced, all researchers hired for the first time to participate in an NSTC project shall upload relevant certification documents to prove their attendance of the 6-hour academic ethics education to the full-time assistant management system or part-time personnel management system for future reference within 3 months of the start date.

Article 4 (Scope of Recognized Courses):

The number of hours of academic ethics education required to be completed, as specified in Subparagraphs 1 and 3 of Paragraph 1 of Article 3, shall be recognized as follows:

1. Obtaining a certificate of attendance for a course hosted by the Center for Taiwan Academic Research Ethics Education.
2. Faculty members must pass the academic ethics education courses established in accordance with the TMU Faculty and Staff On-the-Job Training (“OJT” hereinafter) Procedures; students must pass the academic ethics education courses provided on the TMU Academic Activities website.
3. Completion of academic ethics education courses organized by non-TMU units and the subsequent completion of non-TMU training application for case closure in accordance with Article 10 of the TMU Faculty and Staff OJT Procedures.

Article 5 (Consequences of Incompletion):

1. If the personnel specified in Paragraph 1 of Article 2 fail to complete

their required course hours, they shall be penalized in accordance with the regulations of their funding agency or institution.

2. If a graduate student, as specified in Paragraph 2 of Article 2, fails to complete their required course hours, they shall be penalized in accordance with the TMU Enforcement Rules for Master's and Doctoral Degree Examinations.
3. If an academic ethics violator, as specified in Paragraph 3 of Article 2, fails to complete their required course hours, they shall be penalized in accordance with the TMU Principles for Handling Cases of Academic Ethics Violations in Colleges or Above.

Article 6 (Unspecified Matters):

Any matters not specified in the Directions shall be handled in accordance with the relevant TMU regulations or relevant government laws and regulations.

Article 7 (Authority for Approval):

The Directions and revisions to the Directions shall come into effect upon approval at an Administrative Meeting.

English version is for reference only. If there is any inconsistency or ambiguity between these two versions, the Chinese version shall prevail.