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Content：	Article 1　The Standards are enacted pursuant to Article 23, Paragraph 4 of the University Act. Article 2　Those who meet any of the following criteria are considered as having an adequate level of education for registering for the new student university bachelor’s program entrance examination (excluding two-year bachelor programs): 1. Students that have not completed high school or continuing education program and who meet any of the following: （1）Having completed all but the final year of mandatory study due to suspension, dismissal, or mandatory re-take of a grade for two years or more, and who hold an academic achievement record issued by the school or a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report, certificate of school transfer or certificate of suspension; （2）Having completed the first semester of the final year of mandatory study followed by suspension or dismissal for one year or more, and hold an academic achievement record issued by the school or a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report, certificate of school transfer or certificate of suspension; or （3）Having completed mandatory study but failed to graduate, and hold an academic achievement record issued by the school or a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report, certificate of school transfer or certificate of suspension. 2. Students who have not completed study at a 5-year college institution or continuing education program and meet any of the following: （1）Having completed the second semester of the third year of mandatory study followed by suspension or dismissal for one year or more, and hold an academic achievement record issued by the school or a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report, certificate of school transfer or certificate of suspension; or （2）Having been suspended or dismissed during the fourth or the fifth year of study or having completed mandatory study but failed to graduate, and hold an academic achievement record issued by the school or a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report, certificate of school transfer or certificate of suspension. 3. The two previous subparagraphs are applicable to students who have not completed study at schools adopting a comprehensive educational system in accordance with the Arts Education Act, and are able to provide a certificate of study and whose level of education is equivalent to that of a senior high school or a 5-year college. 4. Having completed the third year of study from a senior high school,

vocational school, or practical skills program (continuing education class), and are able to provide a certificate of study completion.
5. Having passed the appraisal of academic achievement examination for self-study and are able to provide a high school, vocational school, or college education level diploma.
6. Having passed the appraisal of academic achievement examination for educated young soldiers, and are able to provide a certificate verifying their level of education to be equivalent to that of a senior high school level.
7. Having passed the appraisal of academic achievement examination for veterans, and hold a certificate verifying their level of education to be equivalent to that of a senior high school level.
8. Having passed the examination for supplementary education for active military service personnel, and hold a certificate verifying their level of education to be equivalent to that of a senior high school level.
9. Having passed any of the following national examinations, and possess certification thereof:
(1) High-Level Civil Service Test, Ordinary Level Civil Service Test, or Civil Service Special Examination Grade 1, 2, 3, or 4;
(2) Professional Services and Technicians High-Level Test, Ordinary Test, or the equivalent Special Test.
10. Have a certificate of incomplete study from a senior high school in Mainland China, are in compliance with Regulations Governing Mainland China Academic Credential Validation, and meet any of the criteria stipulated in subparagraph 1.
11. Having passed the Skill Test, has certification and written proof thereof, and meets any of the following:
(1) Having obtained a C-Class Certified Technician Certificate or Single Class Certified Technician Certificate equivalent to C-Class, with five or more years of related practical work experience ; or
(2) Having obtained a B-Class Certified Technician Certificate or Single Class Certified Technician Certificate equivalent to B-Class, with two or more years of related practical work experience ; or
(3) Having obtained an A-Class Certified Technician Certificate or Single Class Certified Technician Certificate equivalent to A-Class.
12. Age 22 or older and having earned 40 or more credits in different departments listed below and are able to provide proof thereof:
(1) Credit-seeking extended education programs offered by colleges or other high-level educational institutions;
(2) Non-regular programs accredited by the Ministry of Education; or
(3) Elective programs (excluding continuing education programs) offered to elective students by open universities.
13. Elective students at open universities who have successfully earned 40 or more credits (excluding continuing education programs) and are able to provide proof thereof.
14. Having met the requirements stipulated in Paragraph 2, Article 23-1 of the Regulations Governing Non-School Experimental Education for Senior High School Educational Stage.

Article 3　Those who meet any of the following criteria are considered as having an adequate level of education for registering as a new student for a 2 year bachelor’s program entrance examination:
1. Students who have not completed study at a 2-year college or continuing education program and meet any of the following criteria:
(1) Having completed the first semester of the final year of mandatory study, followed by suspension or dismissal for two years or longer, and hold a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report, certificate of school transfer or certificate of suspension;
(2) Suspension or dismissal during the second semester of the final year of mandatory study for one year or longer, and hold a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report, certificate of school transfer or certificate of suspension; or
(3) Having completed all mandatory study and earned 80 or more required credits toward graduation but failed to graduate, and are hold a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report, certificate of school transfer or certificate of suspension;

2. Students who haven’t completed study at a 3-year college or continuing education program and meet any of the following criteria:
(1) Having completed all but the final year of mandatory study, followed by suspension or dismissal for three years or longer, and are hold a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report, certificate of school transfer or certificate of suspension;
(2) Having completed the first semester of the final year of mandatory study, followed by suspension or dismissal for two years or longer, and hold a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report, certificate of school transfer or certificate of suspension; or
(3) Suspension or dismissal during the second semester of the final year of mandatory study for one year or longer, and hold a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report, certificate of school transfer or certificate of suspension;
3. Students who haven’t completed study at a 5-year college or continuing education schools and meet any of the following criteria:
(1) Having completed all but the final year of mandatory study, followed by suspension or dismissal for 3 years or longer, and are hold a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report, certificate of school transfer or certificate of suspension;
(2) Having completed the first semester of the final year of mandatory study, followed by suspension or dismissal for two years or longer, hold a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report, certificate of school transfer or certificate of suspension;
(3) Suspension or dismissal during the second semester of the final year of mandatory study for one year or longer, and hold a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report, certificate of school transfer or certificate of suspension; or
(4) Having completed mandatory study and earned 220 or more required credits toward graduation but failed to graduate, and hold a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report, certificate of school transfer or certificate of suspension;
4. Students who haven’t completed study at a university bachelor’s program (excluding open universities), having completed the second semester of their sophomore year, followed by suspension or dismissal for one year or longer, and hold a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report, certificate of school transfer or certificate of suspension.
5. Having passed the appraisal of academic achievement examination for self-study and are able to provide certification validating they possess the needed qualifications for a college level education.
6. Having passed any of the following national examinations and are able to provide proof thereof:
(1) High-Level Civil Service Test, or Civil Service Special Examination Grade 1, 2, or 3; or
(2) Professional Services and Technicians High-Level Test or an equivalent Special Test.
7. Having passed the Skill Test, can provide certification or written proof thereof, and meet any of the following criteria:
(1) Having obtained a B-Class Certified Technician Certificate or Single Class Certified Technician Certificate equivalent to C-Class, with four or more years of related practical work experience ; or
(2) Having obtained an A-Class Certified Technician Certificate or Single Class Certified Technician Certificate equivalent to A-Class, with two or more years of related practical work experience .
8. Age 22 or older and having earned 80 or more credits from any of the different departments listed below, can provide proof thereof, and hold a certificate of study (completed study) from a senior high school:
(1) Credit-seeking university level programs offered by universities or open universities;
(2) Credit-seeking continuing education offered by colleges or high-level educational institutions; or
(3) Non-regular education programs accredited by the Ministry of Education
After the promulgation of the amended Regulations Governing the Implementation of Continuing Education at Colleges or High-Level Educational Institutions on July 13, 2011 and before the promulgation and

amendment of this Standards on _Jan 24,2013_, the age limit of 22 years old does not apply to the credits and programs stipulated in Subparagraph 8 of the previous section.

Article 4　Those who meet one of the following criteria may be deemed possessing the like educational level as qualified to take the university entrance examination to enroll in the first year class of a graduate program leading to a master degree:
1. University students, having studied in an undergraduate program leading to a bachelor degree, with only the last year of the required terms of study as set forth in the law was not completed, and for certain reason, discontinuing or suspending the study for at least two years starting from the first day of the said last year, but holding a certificate of study or suspension of study, together with the transcripts for all enrolled semesters attached therewith;
2. University students, for certain reason, having failed to graduate from an undergraduate program after completed the required terms of study as set forth in the law, and staying for one year starting form the last day of the last year of the required years of study, but holding a certificate of study or suspension of study, together with the transcripts for all enrolled semesters attached therewith;
3. University students, having completed four-year courses while studying in an undergraduate program with required terms of study of six years or longer (including practical training) as set forth in the by-laws of the University, and having earned at least 128 credits therein as required for graduation;
4. Junior College students, having graduated from a three-year college for at least two years or graduated from a two-year junior college or five-year junior college for at least three years. Those who have obtained a certificate of qualification or diploma from the extension school of a junior college, or have passed equivalency examination to test the academic attainments by way of self-learning approach, and have obtained an eligibility certificate of equivalent academic attainments shall receive the same treatment as those who have graduated from a two-year junior college. Each school may set out the required work experience and minimum number of years at work as further requirements for purposes of qualification.
5. Those who have passed any of the following national examinations with an eligibility certificate:
(1) Civil Service Senior Examination or Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3 Special Examinations;
(2) Senior Examination for Professional and Technical Personnel or Special Examinations of equivalent levels;
6. Having passed the Skill Test, can provide certification or written proof thereof, and meet any of the following criteria:
(1)Having obtained an A-Class Certified Technician Certificate or Single Class Certified Technician Certificate equivalent to A-Class, with two or more years of related practical work experience ; or
(2) Those who have only obtained a B-Class Certified Technician Certificate or the equivalent thereof who have five or more years of related practical work experience .

Article 5 Those who have worked as professional technical staff at a university, such as professional technical teacher, or have worked as a professional technical teacher at a trade school and have been approved by the admissions committee of their respective university shall be granted status equivalent to a college freshman as stipulated in the preceding 3 articles.

Article 6 After receiving permission from the Ministry of Education, universities may grant status equivalent to college freshman on the college entrance exam to those who have made outstanding achievements in their respective professional fields and have been approved by the school’s admissions committee.

Article 7　Those who meet any of the following criteria are considered as

having an adequate level of education for registering for the entrance examination for university doctorate programs as new students:
1. Graduate program students having completed two years of study and completed the required subjects and have earned the required credits toward graduation (excluding thesis) but failed to graduate, followed by dismissal or suspension for one year or longer, hold a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report or certificate of suspension, and can submit a written work with quality equivalent to that of a master's thesis;
2. Students having completed a doctorate program but failed the doctorate degree candidate qualification examination or diploma examination, and hold a certificate of study along with an academic achievement report or certificate of suspension, and can submit a written work with quality equivalent to that of a master's thesis;
3. Students awarded with a bachelor's degree from departments that require six or more years of study with two or more years of professional training experience, and can submit a written work with quality equivalent to that of a master's thesis;
4. Students having graduated from a university and earned a bachelor's degree with five or more years of practical experience related to their field of study and can submit a written work with quality equivalent to that of a master's thesis; or
5. Students who have passed any of the following national examinations can provide records thereof, have six or more years of practical experience related to their field of study, can submit a written work with quality equivalent to that of a master's thesis:
(1) High-Level Civil Service Test or Civil Service Special Examination Grade 1, 2, or 3;
(2) Professional Services and Technicians High-Level Test, or the equivalent Special Test.
The work of writing equivalent to master's thesis mentioned above shall be validated by the respective school. The work of writing equivalent to a master's thesis relating to art or applied technologies may be substituted with a creation, exhibition/performance along with a written report or technical report.
The professional training mentioned in subparagraph 3 and the practical experience related to the individual's field of study mentioned in Subparagraphs 4 and 5 of Paragraph 1 shall be validated by the respective school.

Article 8　Paragraph 1 of Article 2 shall apply to those who have a high school diploma from foreign country, Hong Kong, or Macao and meet the credentials found in the Regulations Governing Universities Validating Foreign Academic Credentials or Regulations Governing Review and Validation of Academic Credentials from Hong Kong or Macao.
Students from foreign countries, Hong Kong, and Macao whose graduating year is equivalent to the second grade of domestic senior high schools and whose graduating schools are comparable in level and nature to domestic senior high schools are considered as having a level of education adequate for registering for the entrance examination for university bachelor's programs as new students, provided that the respective universities increase the required credits for graduation or extend the required length of study for said students.
Subparagraph 2 of Paragraph 1 shall be applicable to students from foreign countries, Hong Kong, and Macao who have not completed study at schools that are comparable in level and nature to domestic senior high schools and require a length of study required for graduation which is longer than the length stipulated by domestic senior high schools, and whose completed grades/years of study do not exceed the limit of length of study stipulated by domestic senior high schools.
Subparagraphs 3 and 4, Paragraph 1 of the previous Article shall be applicable to those who hold bachelor's degrees from foreign countries, Hong Kong, or Macao and meet the criteria stipulated in the Regulations Governing Universities Validating Foreign Academic Credentials or Regulations Governing Review and Validation of Academic Creditials from Hong Kong or Macao.

Subparagraph 2 of Article 2, Subparagraphs 1 through 4 of Article 3, Subparagraphs 1 through 4 of Article 4, and Subparagraphs 1, Paragraph 1 and Paragraph 2 of the previous Article shall be applicable to graduate students or students who have not yet completed their study at colleges or other high-level educational institutions from foreign countries, Hong Kong, and Macao, so long as the aforementioned schools are included in the reference list by the Ministry of Education, are accredited by the respective foreign authorities or professional review institutes. Moreover, the said schools must adopt qualifications for enrollment, length of study, and curriculum so that they are equivalent in comparison with the level and nature of domestic schools. The length of study adopted by the said schools must be regarded as equivalent in comparison with the level and nature of domestic schools by the respective student recruitment committees of the respective domestic universities.
Those who hold a certificate of an associate degree and an academic achievement record issued by the aforementioned Hong Kong or Macao schools or a high-level diploma and academic achievement record are considered as having a level of education adequate for registering for the entrance examination for bachelor’s programs at universities of technology or two-year technical colleges as new students.
The incomplete study or graduate certificate issued by foreign, Hong Kong, and Macao colleges or other high-level educational institutions, the certificate of associate degree and academic achievement record issued by Hong Kong and Macao schools, and high-level diploma and historic school reports as mentioned in Paragraph 5 shall be validated by our country’s embassies, consulates, representative offices abroad or other agencies authorized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or the agencies established or designated in Hong Kong or Macao.

Article9　Relevant MOE like educational level rules shall apply to those having graduated from a military or police academy.

Article 10　The calculation of years set forth in the Standards, unless provided below, shall start from the stipulated beginning date till the last day of enrollment of the current academic year:
1. When calculating the number of years for which one has discontinued or suspended study: The beginning date is the last day on which the last semester was completed as indicated in the transcripts for all enrolled semesters, the certificate of study, the certificate of transferring to a different school, while the ending date is the last day by which one has to enroll in the program of the current academic year.
2. When calculating the number of years undergoing professional training and spent working in a field related to the program in which one is now interested to enter: The beginning date is the date as indicated on the certificate of training or working, while the ending date is the last day by which one has to enroll in the program of the current academic year.

Article 11　The Standards shall take effect from the day of promulgation..

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