



**Rangsit University Regulation  
Regarding Criteria for Academic Publications for Graduation  
For Master Degree Programs Plan 1 (Academic Plan)  
B.E. 2566 (2023)**

In order to ensure compliance with the regulations specified in Section 13 of the Rangsit University Regulations Regarding Standards of Graduate Education B.E. 2566 (2023), the publication of the thesis is a requirement for the completion of master's degrees. Therefore, to fulfil the graduation requirements for master's degrees (Plan 1 or Academic Plan) B.E. 2566 (2023), publications of theses shall comply with the following criteria:

Section 1: This regulation shall come into force on 28 July 2023.

Section 2: Rules, regulations, orders, or announcements previously issued that are against this Regulation shall be repealed and substituted by this Regulation.

Section 3: Definitions of terms used in this Regulation:

“University” refers to Rangsit University.

“Academic works” refer to research papers, innovative works, and creative works.

Section 4: Academic research shall be published by particular means, as specified below:

4.1 Theses shall be published in national or international journals as follows:

4.1.1 National academic journals shall be of good quality and well recognized in their fields of study or related. The national academic journals in which theses are published are required to be active for at least three consecutive years, and the published articles must be reviewed by at least three external experts (peer reviewers) from different institutions. The national academic journals can be published either in print or electronic media.

4.1.2 International academic journals shall be listed in the databases specified by the Civil Service Commission, such as ERIC, MathsciNet, PubMed, Scopus, Web of Science (in the SCIE SSCI and AHCI databases only), JSTOR, and Project Muse. The international academic journals shall be published either in print or electronic format; or

4.2 Theses presented through oral presentations or posters at national and international conferences, assessed by external reviewers, and published in conference proceedings; or

4.3 Innovative works published and peer-reviewed by at least three external experts in the same or related fields and searchable on the University's website:

4.3.1 Reports on the development of creative works and their utilization for commercial, social, and economic purposes:

- A complete research or technical report funded by the industrial sector, a contract or an agreement of the utilization of the innovation, or a report on new product information, new process information, or invention design
- An report of impact assessment by evaluators demonstrating the results and impacts of the innovative work

4.3.2 Intellectual property documents including patents, invention patents, petty patents, and Thai innovation registration certificates

4.4 Creative works publicized through national or international exhibitions or presentations shall be reviewed by three external experts prior to its publication. Print or electronic documents related to the publication are required.

Publishing academic works specified in 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, and 4.4, the students must identify their names as the primary authors, corresponding authors, or essential intellectual contributors and Rangsit University as their institution or organization, specifying the time of publication which is a time after passing the proposal examination. The student and be published after the student's thesis outline examination. The academic works shall be published or publicized within one year after the date of acceptance. For an innovative work, if it cannot be made available to the public, related evidence and evidence of the utilization of the innovative work is required.

**Section 5.** The Graduate School must be provided with one of the proofs of publication specified in section 4. All thesis publication requirements for the Master's degree are as follows:

5.1 If a thesis is published in an academic journal, the required documents shall be as follows:

- 5.1.1 A thesis publication report form
- 5.1.2 The cover of a journal or a copy
- 5.1.3 A title page or page with the names of the editorial team and the names of the experts reviewing the paper
- 5.1.4 Table of contents or its copy
- 5.1.5 Published article or its copy

5.2 If a thesis is presented at an academic conference and its proceedings have been published, the required documents shall be as follows:

- 5.2.1 A thesis publication report form
- 5.2.2 The cover of the proceedings or its copy
- 5.2.3 A page with the names of the experts reviewing the paper or its copy
- 5.2.4 Table of contents or its copy
- 5.2.5 Published article or its copy
- 5.2.6 A document certifying the presentation of the research at an academic conference on the date and time specified by the conference director.

5.3 If a thesis is an innovation work published in the form of report on the development of the innovation work and its commercial, social, and economic use, the required documents shall be as follows:

- 5.3.1 A thesis publication report form
- 5.3.2 A page with the names of the experts reviewing the paper or its copy
- 5.3.3 The published report or its copy
- 5.3.4 The database on which the innovative work is published

5.4 If a thesis is an innovative work as an intellectual property certified by a patent, the required documents shall be as follows:

5.4.1 A thesis publication report form

5.4.2 Patent, invention patent, or petty patent

5.4.3 Thai Innovation Registration Certificate

5.4.4 The published report or its copy

5.4.5 The database on which the innovative work is published

5.5 If a thesis is a creative work publicized in the form of exhibitions or performances, the required documents shall be as follows:

5.5.1 A thesis publication report form

5.5.2 Evidence or documents of publication identifying the name of the event, the name of the organizer, the place and time of the event, a table of contents listing the works in the exhibitions or presentations, a list of experts, and articles in which the creative work is described.

5.6 If a thesis has already been accepted by the editor of an academic journal, presented at an academic conference, or published in the form of exhibition or performance but has not yet been published, the required documents shall be as follows:

5.6.1 A thesis publication report form

5.6.2 A certificate of acceptance for publication from the editor or publisher of the journal, specifying the journal name, year, issue, publication period, and other details; a certificate of acceptance of the presentation from the organizer of the academic conference, specifying the name of the academic conference, the time of the academic conference, and other details; or a certificate of acceptance for publication from the show organizer, specifying the name of the event, the date of the event, and other details

If the certificate submitted is questioned for any reason, the University shall reserve the right to assign a committee of experts to review it.

5.6.3 An article accepted for publication, photocopies, or the description of an article accepted for publication in exhibitions or presentations

5.6.4 Evidence of the latest issue of the journal to be published, including the cover of the journal or its copy along with the secondary cover page and the page with the names of the editorial members and the experts reviewing the article; or evidence of academic events and a list of experts reviewing the article; or evidence of exhibitions or presentations and the names of experts reviewing the article

5.6.5 After the completion of the academic journal, the student must submit evidence in compliance with 5.1.2, 5.1.3, 5.1.4, and 5.1.5 to the Graduate School within 30 days of the publication time specified in the letter or certificate of acceptance. Alternatively, after the proceedings have been published, the student is required to submit the article to the Graduate School in compliance with 5.2.2, 5.2.3, 5.2.4, 5.2.5, and 5.2.6 within 30 days following the day specified in the letter or certificate of acceptance or the day of presentation. For a creative work, the student is required to submit evidence according to 5.5.2 to the Graduate School within 30 days from the day of its exhibition specified in the certificate of acceptance. Students who fail to comply with the requirements aforementioned shall be considered not to publish their theses and shall be disqualified for graduation.

**Section 6.** The number and type of publications shall be in compliance with the program's graduation criteria and Rangsit University's graduate regulations.

**Section 7.** In case any action or practice is not mentioned or there is a problem caused by any action pursuant to this Notification, the Dean of the Graduate School shall submit a request to the Academic Affairs Committee of Rangsit University for consideration. Any decision made by the Academic Affairs Committee shall be final.

### **Final Provision**

**Section 8.** Students admitted to master's programs revised before September 27, 2022 are required to comply with the Rangsit University Announcement Regarding Thesis Publication Criteria for Master's Programs Plan A (A2: Courses and Thesis) 2021 and the Rangsit University Announcement Regarding Thesis Publication Criteria for Master's Programs Plan A (A1: Thesis) 2021. These criteria shall remain valid during their enrollment in the master's programs until their student status terminates.

Announced on the 27<sup>th</sup> of July 2023.

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