



**Notification of Rangsit University
Regarding Criteria for Independent Study Publication for Graduation for Master's
Students B.E. 2564 (2021)**

In order to ensure compliance for publishing independent studies for graduating master's students with category 9 of Rangsit University Regulation Regarding Standards for Graduate Education B.E. 2563 (2020), "Independent Study Publication as part of Degree Nomination and Approval for Master's Students", the Graduate School of Rangsit University has hereby notified criteria for independent study publication for graduation of master's students as follows:

1. Notification of Rangsit University Regarding Criteria for Independent Study Publication for Graduation for Master's Students B.E. 2557 (2014) shall be canceled.

2. In this Notification, the following terms are defined as follows:

"University"	refers to	"Rangsit University"
"Students"	refers to	"master's students"
"Research article"	refers to	"A master's research article or its part"

(1) A full independent study report that has been assessed for quality prior to its publication by the Independent Study Examination Committees or the Thesis Examination Committees together with External Committees joining in the deliberation.

(2) Academic articles or research articles from independent study or part of independent study in a master's degree program in Independent Study Plan or Plan B.

3. In order to publish their academic work, master's students could select either one of the following options:

3.1 Publish the research articles in national or international journals with qualifications as required by the Announcement of the Higher Education Commission Regarding Criteria for the Consideration of Journals for Academic Publication; or

3.2 Present the research articles in both domestic and international conferences in which the articles are reviewed by the external reviewers. Students may present either an oral or poster research presentation, and the full paper must be published in the proceedings; or

3.3 Dissemination of works of art in exhibitions both domestically and internationally; an art presentation of an academic work to the public with a selection process of its quality under the reviewing committees comprising not less than three academic experts in the field of study, with external committees joining in for deliberation; or

3.4 Publication of a full independent study report traceable from the website accredited by the Graduate School showing evidences of its intention of publishing independent study on its website. The academic work must specify the name of the student as the author and specify the organization, the program, the faculty, and the university. In addition, the research articles to be publicized or published are required to meet the research requirements as specified by the University and be publicized or published within a year from the date the research article is accepted for publishing.

4. Students are required to submit to the Graduate School any evidence of research or independent study publication according to item 3 in compliance with the requirements for independent study publication as part of degree nomination and approval for master's degree students as follows:

4.1 For independent studies that have been publicized or published, the evidence includes:

4.1.1 one copy of Form GS.D.6: Information and Details of Master's Independent Study Publication;

4.1.2 the front cover of the journal on which the research is published;

4.1.3 the title page of the journal on which the list of journal editors and peer reviewers appears or its copy;

4.1.4 the table of contents page or its copy; and

4.1.5 the published research article or its copy.

4.2 For independent studies that have been presented at the conferences and published in the proceedings, the evidence includes:

4.2.1 one copy of Form GS.D.6: Information and Details of Master's Independent Study Publication;

4.2.2 the front cover of the proceedings on which the paper is published;

4.2.3 the page on which the list of peer reviewers appears;

4.2.4 the page on which the list of editors and conference committees appears;

4.2.5 the table of contents page or its copy;

4.2.6 the published research article or its copy; and

4.2.7 the conference certificate

4.3 For independent studies that have been disseminated as works of art in the form of exhibitions, the evidence includes:

4.3.1 one copy of Form GS.D.6: Information and Details of Master's Independent Study Publication;

4.3.2 evidence related to the work including the organizer, the venue, the date and time of the event, the table of contents listing the works shown at an exhibition or performance, along with the list of experts, the list of organizing committees, and articles describing the work that have been published.

4.4 For independent studies in which the full independent study reports have been published on the website accredited by the Graduate School, the evidence includes:

4.4.1 one copy of Form GS.D.6: Information and Details of Master's Independent Study Publication;

4.4.2 evidence related to an academic work that has been published specifying the name of the website and time of publication along with a list of the Independent Study Examination Committee or the Thesis Examination Committee and abstracts of independent study report

4.5 For independent studies that have been approved for publishing in an academic journal, presented in a conference, or disseminated of works of art in the form of exhibitions, but have not been published or publicized, the evidence includes:

4.5.1 one copy of Form GS.D.6: Information and Details of Master's Independent Study Publication;

4.5.2 the letter of acceptance issued by the editor of the journal on which the journal title, year, volume, and duration of publication, and other details related to publication are available; if any part of the acceptance letter causes suspicion, the University reserves the right for examination committees appointed by the University;

4.5.3 the accepted research article/ the article describing a work that has been accepted for publication in an exhibition or performance, or its copy; and

4.5.4 evidence related to the journal including the cover, the title page, and the page on which the list of journal editors and peer reviewers appears or their copies or evidence showing information of the conference and the list of reviewers, or evidence showing information about the exhibition or performance and the list of qualified assessors.

4.5.5 After its publication in the journal, students are required to submit the evidence as specified in 4.5.3 and 4.5.4 to the Graduate School within 30 days from the date of publication as specified in the letter of acceptance; or when the conference proceedings have been printed, students are required to submit the evidence as specified in 4.5.3 and 4.5.4 to the Graduate School within 30 days from the presentation schedule specified in the acceptance letter; or when it is due to be published as a work of art in the form of an exhibition or performance as specified in the evidence in 4.5.3 and 4.5.4 to the Graduate School within 30 days from the schedule of the exhibition or the performance specified in the certificate of acceptance for publication of the work; failure to submit the aforementioned evidence within the relevant period may constitute research articles as unpublished and restrict students from graduating.

5. The number and the forms of published research articles shall meet the requirements for graduation as specified by the supervising programs and comply with Rangsit University Regarding Education at the Graduate Level.

6. Any issue that is not stated or unclearly mentioned in this Notification, or in the case where there is a problem in complying with this Notification, the decision made by the Dean of the Graduate School shall be final.

Transitory Provision

7. Students who enroll in any new or other existing graduate programs with revised curriculums prior to May 11, 2016, shall comply with the Notification of Rangsit University Regarding Criteria for Thesis Publication for Graduation for Master's Students B.E. 2557 (2014) throughout their student status.

This Notification shall be effective from today henceforth.

Notified on February 24, 2021.

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(Dr. Atthawit Ourairat)
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