

Rules of Qualifying Examination for PhD Candidates in Mechatronics Program, Department of Mechanical Engineering, STUST

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- I. According to the Rules of Qualifying Examination for PhD Candidates in STUST, the Department of Mechanical Engineering establishes the rules to qualify the academic disciplines of graduate students of PhD program in Mechatronics.
- II. Qualification of Applicant: Each graduate student may apply for the examination after he/she enters the PhD program. The examinee must pass all examination subjects within three years (excluding the suspended years).
- III. Examination Date: The qualifying examination will be normally held in the third week of March and October, respectively, each year. The department will announce the examination dates and accept applications for examination one month prior to the examination.
- IV. Examination Subjects: After the examinee enters the program, any three subjects from the professional subjects provided by the department or by other departments with the approval of the department chair can be selected as the examination subjects, containing at least one subject provided by the department. The highest score is one hundred points for each subject. Upon the approval of the supervising professor (or department chair if a supervising professor has not been selected), the examinee must select all examination subjects at the first time of application. Once the selection is made, no modification is allowed.
- V. Evaluation: Each subject is evaluated separately; the subject is passed with sixty points or higher. If the examinee has any subject failed, he/she may retake the next qualifying examination. The total number to take the examination is limited to 4 times. Passing the qualifying examination gives a PhD student the candidacy of PhD degree.
- VI. The examinee who failed to obtain the candidacy of PhD degree within the period described in the rules will be forfeited the admission by the Office of Academic Affairs.
- VII. The rules are approved by the committee of departmental affairs, so are they revised.