Announcement of Shortening of the Minimum Residence Requirement
(Early Course Completion/Graduation)

<2021 Fall semester / Educational Affairs Team>

□ What Does "Minimum Residence Requirement" means?

○ Minimum Residence Requirement

: Refers to the minimum term required to complete a course of study

- Masters & Doctoral Program : 4 semesters
- Integrated Program : 8 semesters

○ Students who have acquired a number of credits greater than that required to be awarded a degree, the time required for graduation from the school may be reduced by 1 semester for master's and doctorate courses and by up to 1 ~ 2 semester for integrated courses.
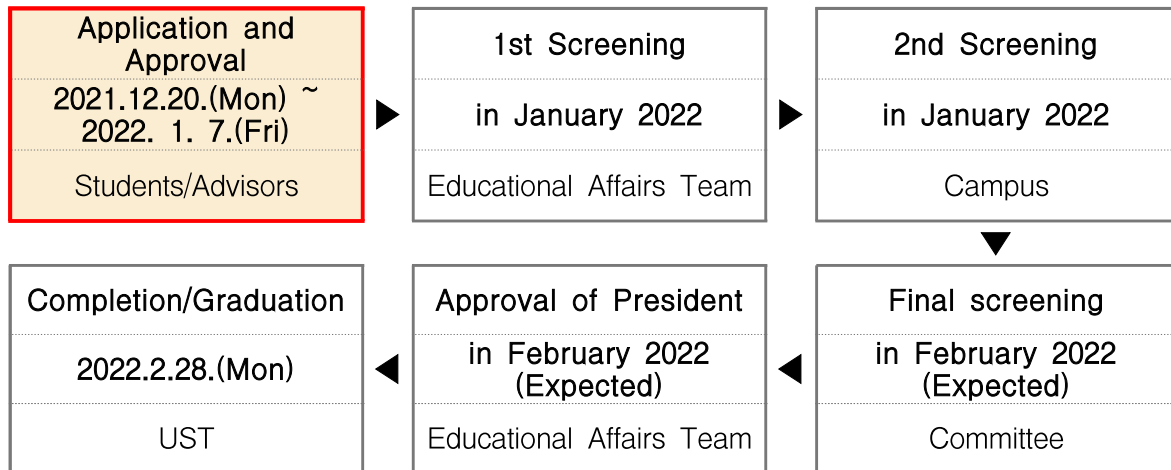
⇒ **Early Course Completion/Graduation**

〈 Application Requirements 〉

Contents	Master's & Doctoral Program	Integrated Program
Current semester	For students in which the Fall Semester of 2021 is their **3rd semester** of enrollment	For students in which the Fall Semester of 2021 is their **6th or 7th semester** of enrollment
Status of sutdent	Enrolled students (students who are in leave of absence or completion cannot apply)	
Credits	Completing the minimum credit requirement or more (Including credits that can be obtained for Spring semester 2021)	
GPA*	B°(3.0/4.5) or higher	

*According to the Academic Regulation, the GPA for all semesters must be A°(4.0/4.5) or higher for students entering the Fall semester of 2021

□ Application Requirements and Procedure to Shorten Minimum Residence Requirement

○ Application and approval period: 2021.12.20.(Mon) ~ 2022. 1. 7.(Fri)

  - Application of UST portal and approval from advisor is required within the deadline.

〈 Process 〉

Application and Approval 2021.12.20.(Mon) ~ 2022. 1. 7.(Fri) Students/Advisors	▶	1st Screening in January 2022 Educational Affairs Team	▶	2nd Screening in January 2022 Campus

Completion/Graduation 2022.2.28.(Mon) UST	◀	Approval of President in February 2022 (Expected) Educational Affairs Team	◀	Final screening in February 2022 (Expected) Committee

□ Note

  ○ **Students who wish to complete(or graduate) early for this semester are required to apply.**

  ○ Even if there is an application to shorten their Minimum Residence Requirement, the application may be rejected depending on application requirements.

  - If the requirements have not been satisfied, the students must enroll and take classes just like their peers for the remaining semesters.

  ○ Some campuses has own criteria of degree acquirement students should check that all the required courses is already completed if there are any in the curriculum to meet the degree acquirement.

□ Inquires: Kim Hee Gwon(042-865-2342, graduation@ust.ac.kr)

□ Attachments

  ○ Credits of Course Completion Requirements

  ○ Manual of UST portal for application and Approval.

☐ Credits of Course Completion Requirements

<Students who entered after Fall semester, 2016>

Credit classification		Grading system	Required number of credits		
			Master's	Ph.D.	Integrated
Course credit	Common core(General) course	Percentage or (S/U)	3 credits	3 credits	3 credits
	Major courses	Percentage	12 credits	12 credits	24 credits
Research credit	Field research	Percentage	12 credits	12 credits	24 credits
	Seminar	(S/U)	2 credits	2 credits	4 credits
Thesis Supervision		(S/U)	3 credits	3 credits	3credits
Total number of credits			32 credits	32 credits	58 credits

<Students who entered after Spring semester, 2019>

Credit classification		Grading system	Required number of credits		
			Master's	Ph.D.	Integrated
Course credit	Common core course	Percentage	2 credits	2 credits	2 credits
	Major courses	Percentage	12 credits	12 credits	24 credits
Research credit	Field research	Percentage	12 credits	12 credits	24 credits
	Seminar	(S/U)	2 credits	2 credits	4 credits
Total number of credits			32 credits	32 credits	60 credits

※ in order to complete the total required number of minimum credits, students must complete additional coursework with at least the minimum number of credits for each program

E.g.: Master's and Ph.D. students are required to receive 2 common core course credits, 12 major course credits, 12 field research credits, and 2 seminar course credits for a total of 28 credits. Thus, they must earn an additional 4 credits in any courses they choose to meet the required 32 total credits.

□ How to apply(Students)

① Management of Registration status → ② Application for shorten the term of study → ③ Search → ④ Addition → ⑤ Apply