

Regulations for the Appointment of the Chair of the Department of Political Science, College of Social
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Article 1 These Regulations are established in accordance with Article 17 of the *National Taiwan University Organizational Regulations*.

Article 2 When the term of the Department Chair expires or a vacancy occurs, a selection committee shall be formed to recommend a candidate to the University for appointment.

Article 3 A quorum of at least half of the faculty members must be present at the meeting of the selection committee for the Department Chair, and a majority of those present must agree to the recommendation.

Article 4 Eligible candidates must meet the following three requirements and have not failed their most recent faculty evaluation:

1. Full-time professors in the Department who are on the University's payroll;
2. Have held a full-time position in the Department for at least one year;
3. If returning from a secondment, have served for at least one year after returning to the University.

Article 5 Voting for candidates takes place anonymously.

If no candidate receives a majority of votes from those present in the first round of voting, the two candidates with the highest number of votes enter a second round of voting, and the candidate who receives a majority of votes from those present is elected.

If no candidate receives a majority of votes from those present in the second round of voting, a third round of voting will be held, and the candidate who receives the most votes is elected.

Article 6 The term of office of the Department Chair is two years and may be renewed once.

Article 7 If there are serious grounds and at least one-third of all faculty representatives at the Department Affairs Meeting sign a petition deeming the Department Chair unfit for office, a Department Affairs Meeting shall be convened immediately.

If at least two-thirds of all faculty representatives are present and vote, and at least two-thirds of the votes declare that the Department Chair is unfit for office, the College Dean will report to the University President to relieve the Department Chair of their duties before the end of

their term in accordance with administrative procedures.

The chair of the meeting convened by the faculty representatives in the preceding paragraph is elected by the attending members from among themselves.

Article 8 In the event that the Department Chair leaves office or a vacancy arises, a special election shall be held following the procedures outlined in Article 3. If the Department Chair leaves office or there is a vacancy during the fall semester, the term in office of the new Department Chair is calculated from the start of that academic year; if the Department Chair leaves office or there is a vacancy during the spring semester, the term in office of the new Department Chair is calculated from the start of the following academic year. The term in office is still two years.

Article 9 These Regulations may be revised by the Department Affairs Meeting as necessary.

Article 10 These Regulations are effective from the date of promulgation after being approved by the Department Affairs Meeting and the College Affairs Meeting.