



**MAE FAH LUANG UNIVERSITY NOTIFICATION ON
ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR DISSERTATION, THESIS, MASTER PROJECT AND
INDEPENDENT STUDY DEFENCES, BE 2556 (2013)**

With reference to Clause 8 of Mae Fah Luang University Regulation on Graduate-Level Education, BE 2554 (2011), which stipulates criteria for graduate research defences, Mae Fah Luang University considers it necessary to amend these criteria for increased effectiveness of graduate education management, benefits to the students and quality of dissertations, theses, master projects and independent studies, and for the purpose of institutional and national development in keeping with international quality frameworks.

Empowered by Article 26 of the Mae Fah Luang University Act, BE 2541 (1998), and by consent of the Academic Council given in meeting 6/2556 (2013) on 5 June 2013, Mae Fah Luang University hereby issues additional criteria for dissertation, thesis, master project and independent study defences, as detailed hereunder.

1. This Notification is referred to as 'Mae Fah Luang University Notification on Additional Criteria for Dissertation, Thesis, Master Project and Independent Study Defences, BE 2556 (2013)'.
2. A graduate-level dissertation, thesis, master project and independent study defence shall be conducted using the following criteria.
 - 2.1 Time frame for post-defence emendation of a dissertation, thesis, master project or independent study:
 - 2.1.1 For a master project or independent study: within 60 days of the defence; and
 - 2.1.2 For a dissertation or a thesis: within 90 days of the defence.In case an extension of emendation time is necessary, the student must submit a request to the Academic Council for consideration and approval.
 - 2.2 After the defence, the Examining Committee shall appoint a person or a working group to strictly monitor the student's emendation of the dissertation, thesis, master project or independent study according to the Examining Committee's recommendations. In addition, the appointed person or working group shall determine the date for submission of the final, emended draft, which will have been approved by the School Committee, to Office of the Postgraduate Studies. The emendation time, however, shall neither exceed the limit specified in 2.1 nor be extended beyond the university-stipulated maximum study time.
 - 2.3 In case the dissertation, thesis, master project or independent study is not emended within the time frame stated in 2.1, the defence shall be assessed as 'Not Passed', in which case Mae Fah Luang University Regulation on Graduate-Level Education, BE 2554 (2011), and any other relevant regulation shall apply.
3. This notification is effective as of the school year 2013.

4. The President has authority to enforce this Notification, to make interpretations and to arbitrate any problems or disputes arising out of the implementation of this Notification or enforcement thereof. The President's judgment is final.

Issued this twentieth day of June, 2013.

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