

**National Taiwan Normal University**  
**Department of Earth Sciences**  
**Enforcement Rules on Waivers for Undergraduate Foundational Courses**

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I. The current Enforcement Rules (hereinafter referred to as the Rules) are based on the “National Taiwan Normal University Regulations on Waiver for Undergraduate Foundational Courses”, and will be enforced by the Department of Earth Sciences (hereinafter referred to as DES).

II. The foundational courses of the current Rules refer to “Introduction to Earth Science (including Lab.)”, “Physical Geology (including Lab.)”, and “General Meteorology (including Lab.)”.

III. The current Rules apply to NTNU undergraduate freshmen students who have entered the training camp after passing the preliminary selection for the International Earth Science Olympiad (IESO) in Taiwan.

IV. The following courses may be waived for qualified students of DES under the following terms:

- 1) Students who have entered the training camp after passing the preliminary selection for the International Earth Science Olympiad (IESO) in Taiwan and whose grade at the end of the camp are in the top 50% may choose to have the 2 credits of “Introduction to Earth Science (including Lab.)” or the 3 credits of “Physical Geology (including Lab.)” waived.
- 2) Gold, Silver, and Bronze medalists of International Earth Science Olympiad (IESO) may have the 2 credits of “Introduction to Earth Science (including Lab.)”, the 3 credits of “Physical Geology (including Lab.)”, and 3 credits of “General Meteorology (including Lab.)” waived.

V. Qualified College of Science students who are not DES students may apply to have the 4 credits of the professional education course “Introduction to Earth Science (including Lab.)” waived if they have entered the training camp after passing the preliminary selection for the International Earth Science Olympiad (IESO) in Taiwan and at the end of the camp have earned a grade that is in the top 50%.

VI. Grades for the aforementioned courses shall be marked as “Waived” in the transcripts of students who qualify for the waiver.

VII. Qualified applicants may submit their application, along with relevant documentation, to DES during the first semester of the academic year they enroll in NTNU. No applications shall be accepted beyond the specified time.

VIII. Students who applied for and received credits waivers for the foundational courses may have the waived credits counted towards their graduation credits.

IX. Other matters not covered herein shall be governed by relevant regulations of the university.

X. The current Rules shall be implemented upon passage at a Departmental Affairs Meeting, a College of Science Affairs Meeting, and an Academic Affairs Meeting. The same shall apply to all of its subsequent amendments.