

Directives for Evaluation of University-Level Research Centers

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1. To assist in the development of the university-level research centers and effectively integrate and utilize resources, in accordance with Article 11 of the " Regulations for the Establishment of Research Center " of Kaohsiung Medical University (hereinafter "KMU"), the Directives for Evaluation of University-Level Research Centers (hereinafter "the Directives") are hereby established.
2. University-level research centers established for over two years must undergo evaluation annually.
3. Annually, the university-level research centers are evaluated according to the assessment criteria set forth in the Directives by the University-Level Research Center Evaluation Meeting. The results are then submitted to the Academic Research Committee for review and approval. The Evaluation Meeting is convened by the President, with the Senior Vice Presidents and the Vice President for the Office of Research and Development as ex officio members, and includes 5 to 7 invited external experts and scholars from relevant fields.
4. The materials required for evaluation must be completed according to the university-level research center evaluation report format provided by the Office of Research and Development.
5. The evaluation results for university-level research centers are categorized as: "Outstanding," "Excellent," "To be observed," and "To be disbanded."
 - (1) Centers evaluated as "Outstanding" are exempt from evaluation for two times.
 - (2) Centers evaluated as "Excellent" are exempt from evaluation for one time.
 - (3) Centers evaluated as "To be observed" must undergo evaluation the following year. If a center is evaluated as "To be observed" consecutively two times, it will be subject to disbandment upon approval by the Academic Research Committee and referred to the original application review committee for disbandment proceedings.
 - (4) Centers evaluated as "To be disbanded" will be disbanded upon approval by the Academic Research Committee and referred to the original application review committee for disbandment proceedings.
 - (5) For a university-level academic research center to be evaluated as "Outstanding" or "Excellent," the annual performance must meet the following basic thresholds:

1. At least 30 SCI/SSCI papers, with at least 15 papers where center personnel are the first or corresponding authors. Among these, at least 10 papers must have an IF>5 or rank in the top 10% of their field, or a total IF value of >50 if fewer than 10 papers meet this criterion.
 2. Total funding of at least 10 million New Taiwan Dollars (NTD 10,000,000) from government-related agencies' research projects or formally contracted industry-academia cooperation projects.
 3. At least one integrated project from government-related agencies.
 4. At least one major industry-academia project (with an annual subsidy of over NTD 3,000,000).
6. Incentive Mechanism:
Research centers evaluated as 'Outstanding' or 'Excellent' are awarded a certificate of recognition and commendation, and the school allocates funds for discretionary subsidies.
7. Research centers decided for disbandment by the original application review committee must promptly conduct the closure of all operations and transfer of personnel, assets, space, and projects subsidized by the school, with a maximum period of six months for this process
8. After being reviewed and passed by the Academic Research Committee and Administrative Meeting, the Directives shall be implemented from the date of announcement, and the same applies to amendments.

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