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UM Postgraduate House Accommodation Application Approval Guidelines (2021/2022 Academic Year Accommodation)

Article 1 (Introduction)

Due to the limited capacity of the University of Macau (hereinafter referred to as "UM") Postgraduate House (hereinafter referred to as "PGH"), not all applicants may be guaranteed accommodation in PGH. In order to ensure reasonable distribution of the accommodation, the Student Resources Section (hereinafter referred to as "SRS") have formulated this Guideline in accordance with Article 3 Item 1 and 2 from "Postgraduate House Resident Rules" to standardise the PGH Accommodation Application (hereinafter referred to as "Application") and its approval criteria.

Article 2 (General Approval Criteria)

- Applicants that do not have a residence in Macao will be given priority in the allocation of accommodation. While applicants with Macao Resident Identity Card must submit a "Declaration of Non-residency in Macao" along with their Application.
- 2. The Head of SRS or authorized personnel have the right to reject the Application of applicants that have endangered the safety and operation of PGH before.
- 3. The following students will receive guaranteed accommodation:
 - a) New students in their first year of studies in postgraduate programmes (except DBA, EMBA, EdD, DPA courses)
 - b) New students in their first year of studies in postgraduate programmes that have been approved for resumption of studies after deferment in the past academic year
 - c) Students that have obtained the UM Macao PhD Scholarship or other scholarships recognised by UM (including accommodation subsidies or exemption), and within the designated study period*;

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- d) Non-local postgraduate students from higher education institutions which have signed student exchange agreements with UM;
- e) PGH House Tutors
- 4. Priority in the allocation of 200 to 300 places will be given to the applicants with the highest number of PGH points (the exact number of places will be determined by the number of applicants). When the number of applicants with the same number of PGH points exceeds the number of available places, lots will be drawn to determine the allocation. The number of such places is adjusted periodically.
- (*) Whether an applicant is "within the designated study period" is determined by the applicant's academic status during the target period of stay. For example, when applying for first semester accommodation in the 2021/2022 academic year, if the applicant is enrolled in the first semester of the 2020/2021 academic year and the normal duration of the program is two years, the applicant is considered to be "within the designated study period" because the applicant is still within the normal period of study in the first semester of the 2021/2022 academic year (i.e., the target period of stay). If the applicant is enrolled in the first semester of the 2019/2020 academic year and the normal duration of the program is two years, the applicant will be considered to be "beyond the normal duration" because the applicant is beyond the normal duration of the program in the first semester of the 2021/2022 academic year (i.e., the target period of stay). The normal duration of the applicant's program of study is determined by the Graduate School.
 - 5. After the places are allocated according to Items 3 and 4 of Article 2, the remaining places will be allocated in the following order.
 - a) PhD students that are within the designated study period with non-negative PGH points;
 - b) PhD students that have exceeded the designated study period with non-negative PGH points;
 - c) Master students that are within the designated study period with non-negative PGH points;
 - d) Master students that have exceeded the designated study period with non-negative PGH points;
 - e) PhD students that are within the designated study period with negative PGH points;
 - f) PhD students that have exceeded the designated study period with negative PGH points;
 - g) Master students that are within the designated study period with negative PGH points;

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h) Master students that are within the designated study period with negative PGH points;

Under the same category, applicants with higher PGH points will be given the priority. If the number of applicants with the same points have exceeded the number of places available, lots will be drawn to decide the allocation of the remaining places.

6. The number of male and female places and the number of different types of rooms are other factors that determine the accommodation allocation.

Article 3 (Approval of Special Circumstances)

Applications with special circumstances will not be restricted by the conditions in Article 2, after enquiry through the Graduate School and the academic unit of the applicant, the Dean of Students will be responsible for the approval.

Article 4 (Interpretation and Amendment)

. The power of interpreting and amending the rules shall be vested in the UM authorities.

2. The UM authorities may amend the rules at any time and the rules will come into force with immediate effect after announcement.