# 3 Midterm Grading and Master's Degrees Awarded by the 4- to 5-Year Doctoral Programs

## (1) Midterm Grading

The University of Tsukuba's 4- to 5-Year Doctoral Programs give students midterm grades as a way to keep enhancing the continuity and consistency of the educational research training only an integrated curriculum can provide.

Midterm grading evaluates how doctoral students have grown and what they have achieved by working on their coursework and receiving research guidance since they joined their Programs. It also aims to assess the students' aptitude and skills as researchers. Only those who have received passing grades are allowed to submit their doctoral dissertations to complete the program. Please refer to information about your Graduate School's midterm grading and receive your evaluation.

## (2) Master's Degrees

The University's 5-Year Doctoral Programs (except for the medical science programs) award master's degrees to students (except for transfer students) who have completed at least 30 credits of study over two years or longer in accordance with their Graduate School's degree requirements, written and submitted their master's theses under the direction of faculty advisers, and earned passing grades for the theses and required examinations.

Note that some of the Graduate Schools and Programs specify that a master's degree serves as the passing grade for midterm grading.

## [For students Enrolled after AY 2020]

Educational Organization		Degree
Graduate School of Science and Technology Degree Programs in Systems and Information Engineering	Doctoral Program in Empowerment Informatics	Master of Human Informatics

## [For students Enrolled before AY 2019]

Educational Organization		Degree
Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences	Doctoral Program in Philosophy	Master of Literature
	Doctoral Program in History and Anthropology	Master of Arts in Literature
	Doctoral Program in Literature and Linguistics	Master of Arts in Literature or Master of Arts in Linguistics
Graduate School of Life and Environmental Sciences	Doctoral Program in Integrative Environment and Biomass Sciences	Master of Science or Master of Agricultural Sciences
School of Integrative and Global Majors	Ph.D. Program in Empowerment Informatics	Master of Human Informatics*

\* Students who enrolled in the University in AY 2018 or thereafter are eligible for the master's degree awarded by the School of Integrative and Global Majors' Ph.D. Program in Empowerment Informatics.

Other than the above, students majoring in interdisciplinary studies may be awarded a Master of Arts or Philosophy. Please consult your academic advisor for details.