Guidelines for the Preparation of Doctoral Dissertation (extract)

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- 1. The dissertation shall be written in Japanese or English.
- 2. The dissertation shall be written by PC, word processor etc. in general.
- 3. The dissertation shall be written horizontally on portrait-oriented paper.
- 4. A thesis written in Japanese shall contain more than 50,000 characters of text and use A4 size paper and a 10 to 12-point font. A page shall contain roughly 1,000 to 1,600 characters and 30 to 40 lines of text.
- 5. A thesis written in English shall contain more than 20,000 words of text and use A4 size paper and a 10 to 12-point font. A page shall contain roughly 300 to 600 words and 30 to 40 lines of text.
- 6. The title page shall clearly state the date of submission, the title of the thesis, the name of the laboratory with which the candidate is affiliated (including the name(s) of faculty member(s) in the lab), the student number, and the name of the candidate.
- 7. The page numbers should start from the first page of the main text and use Arabic numerals such as 1, 2, ... They should not be placed on the cover page. The page numbers may or may not be added to the table of contents, but if they are, use non-Arabic numerals such as i, ii, ... to clearly distinguish them from the main page numbers.
- 8. In principle, the dissertation should be a single-authored work, but part of it may include collaborative research led by the applicant. The collaborative research that can be part of the dissertation must be approved by co-researcher or co-author.

Collaborative research that can be included as part of the dissertation must be applied for and approved at the time of the submission of the thesis in the form prescribed in the Guidelines for Collaborative research in Doctoral Theses after obtaining permission from the research supervisor.

9. When including a published or to-be-published monograph or dissertation as part of the dissertation, it is the responsibility of the author to obtain permission from the publisher, academic society, etc., if the copyright of the work belongs to the publisher, academic society, etc.

Supplementary Provisions

These Guidelines shall take effect on April 1, 2022.