

## 9. The Guidelines for Grading of the United Graduate School of Agricultural Sciences

- ① The United Graduate School of Agricultural Sciences uses a grading system based on an evaluation of raw scores. Guidelines for grades and evaluation criteria are set forth below.

A: Excellent (90 points or more)	Students who have achieved sufficiently the basic goals and have made outstanding achievements
B: Good (80 points or more and less than 90 points)	Students who have achieved sufficiently the basic goals
C: Fair (70 points or more and less than 80 points)	Students who have achieved the basic goals
D: Pass (60 points or more and less than 70 points)	Students who have achieved the minimum basic goals
E: Failed (Less than 60 points)	Students who have not achieved the basic goals and need to retake the subject

- ② 1. The standard is that Excellent grades should be within 20% of the total number of students to be evaluated.  
 2. However, item 1 does not apply to subjects with fewer than 20 registered students.  
 3. Item 1 does not apply to Data Analysis Exercise in which students are evaluated by their main supervisor based on research design and planning (20 points), interim report (40 points) and interim screening (40 points). The evaluation criteria of each item are set forth below.

Students who have exceeded the level suitable for obtaining a doctoral degree	90% or more of the allotted points
Students who have reached sufficiently the level suitable for obtaining a doctoral degree	80% or more and less than 90% of the allotted points
Students who have reached the level suitable for obtaining a doctoral degree	70% or more and less than 80% of the allotted points
Students who have reached the minimum level required to obtain a doctoral degree	60% or more and less than 70% of the allotted points
Students who have not reached the level required to obtain a doctoral degree	Less than 60% of the allotted points

4. Item 1 does not apply to Thesis Research Project in which students are evaluated by their main supervisor based on participation in writing research papers (20 points), the results of interim report and interim screening (40 points) and research results (40 points). The evaluation criteria of each item are set forth below.

Students who have exceeded the level suitable for obtaining a doctoral degree	90% or more of the allotted points
Students who have reached sufficiently the level suitable for obtaining a doctoral degree	80% or more and less than 90% of the allotted points
Students who have reached the level suitable for obtaining a doctoral degree	70% or more and less than 80% of the allotted points
Students who have reached the minimum level required to obtain a doctoral degree	60% or more and less than 70% of the allotted points
Students who have not reached the level required to obtain a doctoral degree	Less than 60% of the allotted points