

## Qualifying Exam (Q.E) Guidelines

### Department of Urban and Environmental Engineering

When	June / December
Times per Year	Two times / year
Q.E. committee	Q.E. committee members should be composed of at least 2 different professors including the advisor and the professors in charge of exam subjects
How	<p>Oral or Written (decided by the Q.E. committee)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Students must choose 3 graduate subjects which had been approved by Q.E. committee</li> <li>* Undergraduate subjects taken in graduate program can be chosen</li> </ul> <p>(Professors who are in charge of selected subjects should be in Q.E. committee)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Students can choose up to 2 subjects that are taught by the same professor</li> </ul>
Subjects (required, elective)	<p><u>Oral exam</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Oral exam is conducted through Q&amp;A session.</li> <li>- Q.E. committee members assess the students' basic knowledge and ability of application for each subject</li> </ul> <p><u>Written exam</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Written exam questions for each of 3 subjects will be provided by the Q.E. committee members</li> </ul>
Required Time	<p>Oral exam: 60 minutes</p> <p>Written exam: 60 - 180 minutes (decided by the Q.E. committee)</p>
Standard for Pass	Students must earn at least 70 points (among 100 points) from each subject to pass the examination
Measures on Unsuccessful Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Students are allowed to apply for the Q.E. two times in total.</li> <li>● If failing the second exam, the student's candidature for doctoral degree will be automatically terminated.</li> <li>● All necessary actions must be completed within the allowed time frame</li> </ul>
Standard for Application	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Students are allowed to apply for the Q.E. after taking at least 2 semesters.</li> <li>● Both Ph.D and Combined Master's and Ph.D students are required to <u>PASS</u> the Q.E within 6 semesters after admission</li> </ul>
Note	<p>The guidelines are effective from October 10th in 2015, and apply to all Ph.D. and Combined Master's and Ph.D. program students including students who enrolled in 2015.</p> <p>* Revised regulations apply to every Q.E and Thesis Defense right after the revision.</p>