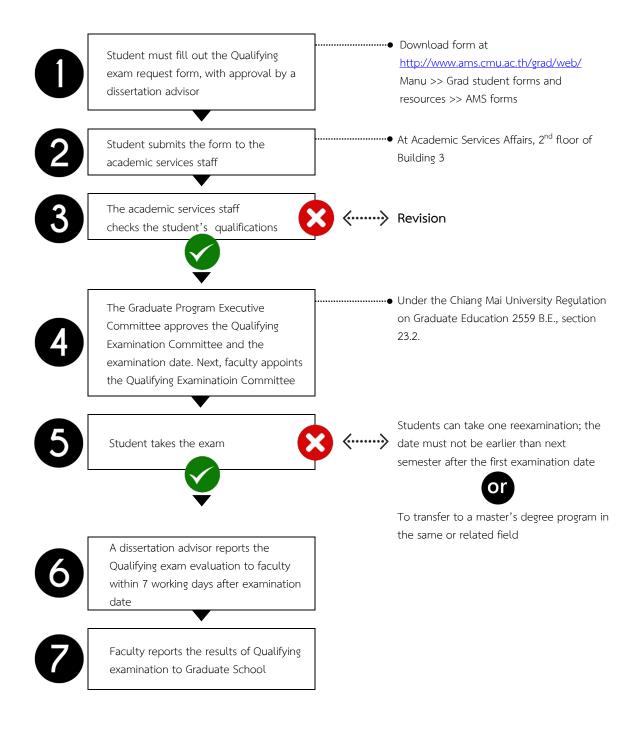
## **QUALIFYING EXAMINATION**



## Tips!

Student should take the Qualifying Exam within the Semester 2 of year I

**Qualifying examination** is the first in the series of three PhD exams which is used to evaluate readiness and capability of doctoral students, in order to receive the right to enroll dissertation.

- 1. The student must apply for qualification examination with the approval of a dissertation advisor before submitting the application form to the graduate school.
- 2. The Qualifying examination committee is comprised of 5 qualifying examiners including, 3 advisory committee members and the other two who are experienced in the same or similar field of the dissertation.
- 3. After qualifying examination has been completed, the Chair of Examiners must report the results of examination to the graduate school within 1 week.
- 4. The student who fails on qualifying examination shall receive one more opportunity to take a reexamination by submitting a request form within the next regular semester from the first qualification examination.
- 5. In case the student fails qualifying reexamination, the student may request to transfer to a master's degree program in the same or related field. This must be approved by the graduate program executive committee and then is sent to the graduate school for approval.
- 6. Students do not have to pay a fee for the first qualifying exam as it is included in the tuition fee. However, if the student fails the qualifying examination and wishes to retake it, the student must pay the 1,000 THB fee.

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A doctoral student who fails qualifying examination without having the approval to transfer to a master's degree program will be terminated.