Regarding the policy for developing master's degree programs from 2022 onwards, it is stipulated in Article 3, Chapter I of the Regulation on the establishment and adjustment of training programs at Vietnam National University, Hanoi (issued under Decision No. 4555/QĐ-ĐHQGHN dated December 22, 2022, by the President of Vietnam National University, Hanoi).

## **Article 3. Structure and content of the training program**

- 1. General requirements for the structure and content of the training program:
- a) Clearly define the role of each component and module in the program, the logical connection, and the mutual support between the components and modules, ensuring the program achieves its objectives and requirements as a whole.
- b) Reflect the specific characteristics and general requirements of expertise, profession, and industry at the training level, creating conditions for integration between fields and training levels; simultaneously highlight the specific characteristics and requirements of the field of study.
- c) Clearly specify the essential components that are mandatory for all learners; at the same time, provide supporting or elective components for learners to choose from in alignment with their career orientation.
- d) The program must guide learners to both ensure flexibility, adaptability, and conditions for learners to develop individualized study plans that align with their progress, abilities, and personal circumstances.
- 3. Structure and content of the master's degree training program
- The master's degree program at VNU requires a minimum of 60 credits for those with a background of a bachelor's degree in the same or related field, consisting of the following components:
- Modules in the training program;
- For the research-oriented track: the scientific research component ranges from 24 to 30 credits, including 12 to 15 credits for the thesis and 12 to 15 credits for other research projects or activities.
- For the application-oriented track: the internship component ranges from 6 to 9 credits, and the project module ranges from 6 to 9 credits, undertaken in the form of a project or application task.
- For fields requiring additional foundational knowledge: applicants must complete prerequisite knowledge before enrollment. The prerequisite knowledge program must be specified in the program description.
- For graduates from advanced programs, talented bachelor's programs, or high-quality programs (with a total study load of at least 150 credits), the master's program can be completed in 1 year with a minimum of 30 accumulated credits, or within 1.5 years (18 months) with a minimum of 45 accumulated credits.