

### 3 Motivation for entering graduate school

3-1 What is the main reason you entered graduate school? Please choose up to three from below.

	Mas	Doc	Pro	L	C	D	J	E	B	S	M	K	T	X	A	W	I	i	ii
To continue research that I began as an undergraduate	49.2	20.7	15.8	68.4	45.8	36.5	24.0	31.9	29.4	61.3	23.2	25.0	50.9	50.0	80.8	37.5	10.5	41.6	208
Because I want to become a researcher in the future	21.4	45.5	0.0	31.6	41.7	28.8	16.0	42.6	35.3	21.0	23.2	20.0	16.4	14.3	30.8	25.0	42.1	26.4	132
Because it is more advantageous in future employment	31.9	9.9	0.0	15.8	8.3	13.5	4.0	8.5	17.6	38.7	12.2	25.0	56.4	57.1	30.8	33.3	26.3	25.4	127
Because many of my peers proceeded on to graduate school	10.6	2.5	0.0	0.0	4.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.4	4.9	5.0	16.4	25.0	15.4	12.5	0.0	8.2	41
Because my professor recommended me to do so	5.6	5.0	0.0	10.5	0.0	11.5	0.0	4.3	17.6	3.2	7.3	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	16.7	0.0	5.2	26
To obtain a degree	17.2	55.4	15.8	0.0	20.8	19.2	20.0	36.2	23.5	12.9	54.9	55.0	10.9	7.1	15.4	16.7	57.9	27.0	135
To acquire a certification and/or license (such as teaching certificate)	5.0	0.8	15.8	5.3	8.3	21.2	12.0	0.0	0.0	3.2	1.2	0.0	1.8	0.0	0.0	42.0	0.0	5.0	25
To acquire knowledge and learn technologies in highly advanced fields	19.7	22.3	5.3	5.3	12.5	17.3	0.0	21.3	17.6	25.8	35.4	5.0	16.4	28.6	11.5	20.8	10.5	20.0	100
To acquire knowledge systematically in my field of study	31.1	31.4	31.6	31.6	41.7	36.5	36.0	34.0	23.5	32.3	23.2	30.0	38.2	25.0	23.1	20.8	42.1	32.4	162
To conduct research based on my own awareness of certain issues	18.9	24.0	21.1	26.3	37.5	34.6	24.0	31.9	47.1	12.9	9.8	35.0	7.3	10.7	19.2	4.2	21.1	21.0	105
To acquire specialized knowledge and skills that I can utilize at my current job or in the future	30.8	29.8	52.6	31.6	50.0	26.9	40.0	40.4	47.1	11.3	34.1	40.0	30.9	25.0	11.5	29.2	57.9	33.4	167
To contribute to research collaboration between university and corporation	0.6	2.5	0.0	0.0	42.0	0.0	0.0	4.3	5.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3	1.0	5
Because my employer requested me to do so (this includes a company order)	1.7	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	8.0	0.0	5.9	0.0	0.0	5.0	1.8	3.6	0.0	0.0	5.3	1.6	8
In order to pass a national exam	0.3	0.0	52.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	40.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.2	21
Because I did not want to work	11.4	3.3	5.3	15.8	0.0	3.8	4.0	6.4	11.8	16.1	1.2	0.0	21.8	21.4	3.8	16.7	5.3	9.4	47
Because I could not find a job	3.1	0.8	0.0	10.5	8.3	1.9	0.0	4.3	0.0	3.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.6	0.0	8.3	0.0	2.4	12
Other	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.0	4.2	5.8	4.0	10.6	0.0	6.5	3.7	5.0	3.6	7.1	0.0	8.3	0.0	4.8	24
Total (Respondents)	360	121	19	19	24	52	25	47	17	62	82	20	55	28	26	24	19		500

The number of replies	948	315	41	48	69	135	58	130	48	167	192	51	150	78	63	61	54		1345
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i Total (%)

ii Total (Respondents)

3-2 Why did you decide to engage in graduate study at Kobe University? Please choose up to three from below.

	Mas	Doc	Pro	L	C	D	J	E	B	S	M	K	T	X	A	W	I	i	ii
Because Kobe University offers the major I wanted to specialize in.	64.2	69.4	31.6	78.9	87.5	69.2	44.0	51.1	76.5	64.5	68.3	65.0	47.3	57.1	69.2	62.5	89.5	65.4	327
Because the facilities, environment and staff at Kobe University are excellent.	31.4	46.3	47.4	36.8	33.3	48.1	44.0	40.4	64.7	35.5	29.3	30.0	25.5	32.1	42.3	4.2	52.6	37.4	187
Because I was attracted by the tradition and atmosphere of Kobe University	16.1	10.7	10.5	10.5	33.3	17.3	24.0	36.2	29.4	4.8	8.5	5.0	9.1	14.3	7.7	4.2	15.8	15.0	75
Because the academic level of Kobe University is appropriate for my abilities	11.9	8.3	26.3	10.5	8.3	5.8	20.0	10.6	5.9	25.8	4.9	5.0	23.6	7.1	7.7	8.3	0.0	12.6	63
Because studying at Kobe University will help my future career	18.6	12.4	31.6	10.5	16.7	15.4	28.0	10.6	17.6	12.9	26.8	10.0	20.0	14.3	3.8	20.8	31.6	18.8	94
Because Kobe University has a good reputation	10.6	12.4	21.1	5.3	16.7	9.6	20.0	21.3	23.5	9.7	7.3	15.0	10.9	10.7	0.0	4.2	15.8	12.2	61
Because my parents, teachers or senior students recommended that I do so.	12.8	19.0	15.8	36.8	16.7	15.4	28.0	19.1	11.8	3.2	22.0	25.0	1.8	3.6	0.0	16.7	21.1	15.0	75
Because of reasons related to my economic situation	5.0	3.3	21.1	10.5	4.2	1.9	12.0	6.4	11.8	6.5	1.2	20.0	3.6	3.6	3.8	4.2	0.0	6.0	30
Because the location is convenient for me	20.8	23.1	31.6	10.5	12.5	15.4	24.0	36.2	17.6	22.6	22.0	20.0	30.9	32.1	3.8	8.3	26.3	23.0	115
Because I graduated from Kobe University	44.2	25.6	5.3	36.8	8.3	28.8	4.0	17.0	29.4	54.8	20.7	30.0	69.1	64.3	80.8	79.2	0.0	38.4	192
Other	5.6	9.1	5.3	0.0	4.2	9.6	4.0	14.9	0.0	8.1	4.9	0.0	3.6	7.1	0.0	8.3	15.8	6.6	33
Total (Respondents)	360	121	19	19	24	52	25	47	17	62	82	20	55	28	26	24	19		500

The number of replies	868	290	47	47	58	123	63	124	49	154	177	45	135	69	57	53	51		1252
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3-3 Before deciding to do graduate work at Kobe University, did you consider entering a different graduate school?

	Mas	Doc	Pro	L	C	D	J	E	B	S	M	K	T	X	A	W	I	i	ii
Yes, I did	48.6	43.8	73.7	47.4	58.3	48.1	64.0	72.3	58.8	45.2	40.2	60.0	41.8	32.1	23.1	50.0	57.9	48.4	242
No, I did not	51.4	56.2	26.3	52.6	41.7	51.9	36.0	27.7	41.2	54.8	59.8	40.0	58.2	67.9	76.9	50.0	42.1	51.6	258
Total (Respondents)	360	121	19	19	24	52	25	47	17	62	82	20	55	28	26	24	19	100.0	500

i Total (%)

ii Total (Respondents)

3-4 When did you start thinking about going to graduate school? Please choose one from below.

	Mas	Doc	Pro	L	C	D	J	E	B	S	M	K	T	X	A	W	I	i	ii
In high school	16.7	6.6	0.0	5.3	8.3	15.4	0.0	2.1	0.0	37.1	6.1	5.0	14.5	14.3	26.9	29.2	5.3	13.6	68
In the first year of university	14.7	3.3	10.5	10.5	8.3	5.8	8.0	12.8	0.0	17.7	9.8	5.0	14.5	25.0	19.2	8.3	10.5	11.8	59
In the second year of university	8.6	4.1	5.3	10.5	4.2	9.6	12.0	17.0	17.6	4.8	1.2	0.0	12.7	0.0	7.7	4.2	5.3	7.4	37
In the third year of university	27.5	15.7	21.1	21.1	41.7	25.0	24.0	12.8	23.5	22.6	12.2	5.0	47.3	39.3	30.8	20.8	21.1	24.4	122
In the fourth year of university	15.6	6.6	15.8	42.1	12.5	25.0	12.0	8.5	5.9	11.3	2.4	25.0	5.5	14.3	11.5	33.3	15.8	13.4	67
In the fifth year of university	0.3	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.1	0.0	0.0	2.4	0.0	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	4
In the sixth year of university	0.0	1.7	5.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	3
After graduating from university	13.3	47.1	31.6	10.5	16.7	17.3	28.0	38.3	47.1	3.2	52.4	45.0	1.8	7.1	0.0	4.2	26.3	22.2	111
Other	3.3	12.4	10.5	0.0	8.3	1.9	12.0	6.4	5.9	3.2	11.0	15.0	1.8	0.0	3.8	0.0	15.8	5.8	29
Total (Respondents)	360	121	19	19	24	52	25	47	17	62	82	20	55	28	26	24	19	100.0	500

3-5 What is your plan after finishing graduate school? Please choose one from below.

	Mas	Doc	Pro	L	C	D	J	E	B	S	M	K	T	X	A	W	I	i	ii
Work as a researcher / scholar at a university or other research and / or educational institution	11.1	48.8	0.0	31.6	41.7	34.6	12.0	31.9	35.3	17.7	15.9	20.0	3.6	0.0	7.7	16.7	26.3	19.8	99
Work as a researcher at a private company	20.6	5.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.8	0.0	4.3	5.9	29.0	9.8	5.0	40.0	25.0	42.3	29.2	10.5	16.2	81
General employment (not as a researcher)	38.6	5.8	21.1	26.3	29.2	23.1	28.0	25.5	29.4	30.6	11.0	25.0	47.3	67.9	26.9	50.0	26.3	30.0	150
Start my own business	0.6	1.7	5.3	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.0	2.1	5.9	0.0	1.2	0.0	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	5
NPO/NGO	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.0	4.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3	0.8	4
Social entrepreneur (enterprise)	0.6	0.0	0.0	5.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.8	0.0	0.0	0.4	2
Civil servant (other than educator, researchers)	6.4	1.7	5.3	15.8	8.3	5.8	4.0	6.4	0.0	8.1	0.0	5.0	3.6	7.1	11.5	0.0	5.3	5.2	26
International civil servant, or its equivalent	1.1	0.0	5.3	5.3	0.0	0.0	8.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3	1.0	5
Work for a university hospital	1.4	5.0	5.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.4	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.4	12
Continue my studies at Kobe University	5.3	0.0	5.3	5.3	16.7	3.8	4.0	8.5	0.0	4.8	0.0	15.0	1.8	0.0	3.8	0.0	0.0	4.0	20
Continue my studies at another university	0.6	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.0	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	3
Become a JSPS research fellow	0.0	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.5	0.4	2
Study abroad	1.1	5.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.8	0.0	0.0	5.9	0.0	8.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	11
Return to work	3.3	9.9	5.3	0.0	0.0	3.8	4.0	4.3	5.9	0.0	20.7	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.3	5.0	25
Other	8.3	13.2	47.4	10.5	4.2	13.5	40.0	12.8	11.8	8.1	18.3	20.0	0.0	0.0	3.8	4.2	5.3	11.0	55
Total (Respondents)	360	121	19	19	24	52	25	47	17	62	82	20	55	28	26	24	19	100.0	500

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