

Curriculum Policy of the Graduate School of Humanities

Based on the Curriculum Policy of Kobe University, the Graduate School of Humanities organizes its curriculum in accordance with the policies below.

Master's Program

Degree: Master of Arts

1. In order to equip students with a sense of *Humanity, Creativity, and International Awareness*, the School offers common courses to be taken by all students.
2. In order to equip students with a *Specialization* in the humanities, the School offers the following specialized courses.
 - Special research courses are offered to enable them to acquire highly specialized knowledge in the relevant field.
 - Small group seminars are offered so that students can acquire the necessary skills for research in the relevant field, in addition to language skills.
 - Master's thesis seminars are offered by an academic advisor towards the completion of the student's thesis.

Furthermore, these courses may be combined with active learning or experience-based learning in the form of lectures, practical training, seminars, or other classroom formats.

Under the guidance system, a team of three academic advisors, one or more of which are faculty members of other courses, is organized for every student. Students may develop not only a high level of expertise but also the ability to research under a wide range of interdisciplinary perspectives. In addition, prior to submission of the thesis, students comprehensively develop the ability to conduct research through such means as submission of research plans and a preparation/preliminary thesis, as well as an open research report meeting. Research progress shall be checked at every stage by the abovementioned team.

Learning outcomes are evaluated via multiple comprehensive methods according to the learning objectives.

Doctoral Program

Degree: Doctor of Philosophy

1. In order to equip students with a sense of *Humanity, Creativity, and International Awareness*, common courses are offered in the School.

2. Doctoral seminars are offered by academic advisor, to enable students to complete highly specialized dissertations.

Under the guidance system, a team of three academic advisors, one or more of which are faculty members of other courses, is organized for every student. Students can develop not only a high level of expertise but also the ability to research under a wide range of interdisciplinary perspectives. In addition, prior to submission of the thesis, students comprehensively develop the ability to conduct research through such means as submission of research plans and a preparation/preliminary thesis, as well as an open research report meeting and a preliminary open review of the dissertation. Research progress shall be checked at every stage by the abovementioned team.

Learning outcomes are evaluated via multiple comprehensive methods according to the learning objectives.

Doctoral Program

Degree: Doctor of Philosophy

1. In order to equip students with a sense of *Humanity, Creativity, and International Awareness*, common courses are offered in the School.
2. Doctoral seminars are offered by academic advisor, to enable students to complete highly specialized dissertations with interdisciplinary aspects that build upon their specialization.

Under the guidance system, a team of three academic advisors, one or more of which are faculty members of other courses is organized for each student. Students can develop not only a high level of expertise but also the ability to carry out research from a wide range of interdisciplinary perspectives. In addition, prior to submission of the thesis, students comprehensively develop the ability to conduct research through such means as submission of research plans and a preparation/preliminary thesis, as well as an open research report meeting and a preliminary open review of the dissertation. Research progress shall be checked at every stage by the abovementioned team.

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