

Curriculum Policy of the Graduate School of Law

Master's Program

Consistent with the Curriculum Policy of Kobe University, we set our curriculum for each program according to the following policies. The curricula will be not be solely based on instructions from the primary advisor, but also will rely upon the expertise from other professors in similar or related disciplines.

1. Degree: Master of Laws

1.1. Aspiring Scholar Program

Our curriculum policy for the Aspiring Scholar Program is grounded in the following four principles:

1. **humanity:** in order to acquire the ability to grasp and solve various problems in our society through the lens of social sciences, we offer lectures on various methodologies of social sciences.
2. **internationality:** in order to acquire the ability to comprehend law and political science regardless of locale, we offer reading seminars on foreign texts and related lectures on foreign law and political science.
3. **advanced specialization:** in order to acquire leading knowledge on law and political science, we offer a wide assortment of lectures.
4. **creativity:** in order to acquire the ability to solve social problems through logical and multi-perspective thinking, tutorial seminars will be offered to assist in the completion of the master's thesis.

1.2. Advanced Businessperson Program

Our curriculum policy for the Advanced Businessperson Program is grounded in the following four principles:

1. **humanity:** in order to acquire the ability to grasp and solve various problems in our society through the lens of social sciences, we offer lectures on various methodologies of social sciences.
2. **internationality:** in order to acquire the ability to comprehend law and political science regardless of locale, we offer reading seminars on foreign texts and related lectures on foreign law and political science.
3. **advanced specialization:** in order to acquire leading knowledge on law and political science, we offer a wide assortment of lectures.
4. **creativity:** in order to acquire the ability to solve social problems through logical and multi-perspective thinking, tutorial seminars will be offered to assist in the completion of the

master's thesis.

1.3. Kobe University Interdisciplinary Master Program in Global Business Law (KIMAP in Global Business Law)

In order to equip students with the ability to engage in legal and business practices in English, both home and abroad, our curriculum policy for the KIMAP in Global Business Law is grounded in the following four principles:

1. humanity: we offer practice courses so that students can acquire the ability to practically collaborate with others.
2. internationality: we offer legal English courses and advanced legal courses so that students can acquire the ability to read legal documents in foreign languages and to communicate verbally in English.
3. advanced specialization: we offer advanced legal courses so that students can obtain proficiency in the field of law. We also offer interdisciplinary courses so that students can obtain interdisciplinary knowledge.
4. creativity: in order to acquire the ability to solve social problems through logical and multi-perspective thinking and to complete the master's thesis, social science basic courses, interdisciplinary courses and tutorial seminars will be offered.

Students are required to actively engage in the learning opportunities offered by the lectures and seminars. In each class, academic evaluation is based on the degree of accomplishment of the class goals by the student. A multitude of factors are comprehensively considered in the grading process.

2. Degree: Master of Political Science

2.1. Aspiring Scholar Program

Our curriculum policy for the Aspiring Scholar Program is grounded in the following four principles:

1. humanity: in order to acquire the ability to grasp and solve various problems in our society through the lens of social sciences, we offer lectures on various methodologies of social sciences.
2. internationality: in order to acquire the ability to comprehend law and political science regardless of locale, we offer reading seminars on foreign texts and related lectures on foreign law and political science.
3. advanced specialization: in order to acquire leading knowledge on law and political science, we offer a wide assortment of lectures.
4. creativity: in order to acquire the ability to solve social problems through logical and multi-

perspective thinking, tutorial seminars will be offered to assist in the completion of the master's thesis.

2.2. Advanced Businessperson Program

Our curriculum policy for the Advanced Businessperson Program is grounded in the following four principles:

1. humanity: in order to acquire the ability to grasp and solve various problems in our society through the lens of social sciences, we offer lectures on various methodologies of social sciences.
2. internationality: in order to acquire the ability to comprehend law and political science regardless of locale, we offer reading seminars on foreign texts and related lectures on foreign law and political science.
3. advanced specialization: in order to acquire leading knowledge on law and political science, we offer a wide assortment of lectures.
4. creativity: in order to acquire the ability to solve social problems through logical and multi-perspective thinking, tutorial seminars will be offered to assist in the completion of the master's thesis.

Students are required to actively engage in the learning opportunities offered by the lectures and seminars. In each class, academic evaluation is based on the degree of accomplishment of the class goals by the student. A multitude of factors are comprehensively considered in the grading process.

Doctoral Program

Consistent with the Curriculum Policy of Kobe University, we set our curriculum for each program according to the following policies. The curricula are will be not be solely based on instructions from the primary advisor, but also will rely upon the expertise from other professors in similar or related disciplines.

1. Degree: Doctor of Philosophy in Law

1.1. Aspiring Scholar Program

Our curriculum policy for the Aspiring Scholar Program is grounded in the following four principles:

1. humanity: in order to acquire the ability to grasp and solve various problems in our society through the lens of social sciences, we offer lectures on various methodologies of social sciences.
2. internationality: in order to acquire the ability to comprehend law and political science

regardless of locale, we offer reading seminars on foreign texts and related lectures on foreign law and political science.

3. advanced specialization: in order to acquire leading knowledge on law and political science, we offer a wide assortment of lectures.
4. creativity: in order to acquire the ability to solve social problems through logical and multi-perspective thinking, tutorial seminars will be offered to assist in the completion of the doctor's thesis.

1.2. Advanced Businessperson Program

Our curriculum policy for the Advanced Businessperson Program is grounded in the following four principles:

1. humanity: in order to acquire the ability to grasp and solve various problems in our society through the lens of social sciences, we offer lectures on various methodologies of social sciences.
2. internationality: in order to acquire the ability to comprehend law and political science regardless of locale, we offer reading seminars on foreign texts and related lectures on foreign law and political science.
3. advanced specialization: in order to acquire leading knowledge on law and political science, we offer a wide assortment of lectures.
4. creativity: in order to acquire the ability to solve social problems through logical and multi-perspective thinking, tutorial seminars will be offered to assist in the completion of the doctor's thesis.

1.3. Top Lawyers' Program

Our curriculum policy for the Advanced Businessperson Program is grounded in the following four principles:

1. humanity: in order to acquire the ability to grasp and solve various problems in our society through the lens of social sciences, we offer lectures on various methodologies of social sciences.
2. internationality: in order to acquire the ability to comprehend law and political science regardless of locale, we offer reading seminars on foreign texts and related lectures on foreign law.
3. advanced specialization: in order to acquire leading knowledge on law, we offer a wide assortment of lectures.
4. creativity: in order to acquire the ability to solve social problems through logical and multi-perspective thinking, tutorial seminars will be offered to assist in the completion of the doctor's thesis.

Students are required to actively engage in the learning opportunities offered by the lectures and seminars. In each class, academic evaluation is based on the degree of accomplishment of the class goals by the student. A multitude of factors are comprehensively considered in the grading process.

2. Degree: Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science

2.1. Aspiring Scholar Program

Our curriculum policy for the Aspiring Scholar Program is grounded in the following four principles:

1. humanity: in order to acquire the ability to grasp and solve various problems in our society through the lens of social sciences, we offer lectures on various methodologies of social sciences.
2. internationality: in order to acquire the ability to comprehend law and political science regardless of locale, we offer reading seminars on foreign texts and related lectures on foreign law and political science.
3. advanced specialization: in order to acquire leading knowledge on law and political science, we offer a wide assortment of lectures.
4. creativity: in order to acquire the ability to solve social problems through logical and multi-perspective thinking, tutorial seminars will be offered to assist in the completion of the doctor's thesis.

2.2. Advanced Businessperson Program

Our curriculum policy for the Advanced Businessperson Program is grounded in the following four principles:

1. humanity: in order to acquire the ability to grasp and solve various problems in our society through the lens of social sciences, we offer lectures on various methodologies of social sciences.
2. internationality: in order to acquire the ability to comprehend law and political science regardless of locale, we offer reading seminars on foreign texts and related lectures on foreign law and political science.
3. advanced specialization: in order to acquire leading knowledge on law and political science, we offer a wide assortment of lectures.
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Graduate School of Law (Professional Legal Studies Program, Professional Degree Course)

Based on organizes its curricula in accordance with the following policies.

- **Humanity:** the program offers interactive seminars in legal ethics to enable students to obtain the high ethical standards required for all legal professions.
- **Specialization:** the program offers basic legal courses (requisite) and basic legal practice courses (requisite) so that students gain the basic knowledge that all legal professionals must have. Furthermore, as a way for students to develop skills and to acquire knowledge as well as practical skills in advanced legal fields dealing with business law, the program offers intermediate and/or advanced courses and R&W seminars in addition to legal basic/basic legal practice courses (elective).
- **Creativity:** in order that the students develop competency to solve new problems by examining critically and/or creatively by advancing past legal approaches of thinking, the program offers intermediate and/or advanced courses, R&W seminars and legal research courses.
- **International awareness:** to enable students to develop the ability to solve problems while respecting the diversity of society by taking into account the abundance of varied ideas and different cultures, the program offers intermediate and/or advanced courses as well as courses on foundations of law and other related subjects.

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

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