

## **Diploma Policy of the Faculty of Health Sciences, School of Medicine**

Working in a spirit of sincerity, freedom, and cooperation, the Faculty of Health Sciences, School of Medicine, Kobe University defines its basic philosophy as follows: To provide excellent education in the areas of healthcare and health sciences, thereby nurturing health professionals who possess highly specialized knowledge and skills, as well as high ethical standards and a well-grounded scientific perspective. The Faculty also aims to inspire a great sense of inquiry and creativity in its students, so that they will be able to play an active international role in the future, as leaders in their respective fields.

To achieve these objectives, degrees are awarded to students in accordance with the policies described below.

### **Degree: Bachelor of Science (Nursing)**

#### **Department of Nursing**

The Department of Nursing of the School of Medicine's Faculty of Health Sciences awards this degree as follows, based on the Kobe University Diploma Policy:

- Students are enrolled in the Department of Nursing for 4 years or more and must obtain the prescribed credits required for course completion.
- Prior to graduating, students are expected to acquire the following skills as majors in Nursing, in addition to the abilities set out in the Kobe University Diploma Policy.

#### “Humanity and Ethics”

- The fundamental abilities necessary to become a nursing professional: possession of a strong sense of humanity and education, high ethical standards in healthcare, flexibility, cooperativeness, and the ability to understand the client's perspective.
- The ability to empower oneself through continuous lifelong learning, not only as a nursing professional but also as a person.

#### “Creativity”

- The ability to interpret phenomena logically and generate new nursing methods from a caring outlook.
- The ability to take the initiative and act autonomously, and explore the distinctive aspects and professionalism of nursing.

#### “Local and international awareness”

- The fundamental ability to be work in both local and international societies while respecting diverse cultures and values.

- The interest in and ability to explore a variety of local and international well-being and health issues.

“Specialization and Collaboration”

- The ability to practice nursing with extensive knowledge, reliable nursing techniques, and an enriched sensibility, while aiming to improve people’s quality of life (QOL).
- The ability to collaborate with related occupations within a healthcare/welfare team as a nursing professional who has acquired basic learning and expertise in medical care.
- The ability to exhibit leadership through scientific and logical thinking, executive ability, and competent communication skills.

**Degree: Bachelor of Science (Medical Technology)**

**Department of Medical Technology**

The Department of Medical Technology in the School of Medicine’s Faculty of Health Sciences awards this degree as follows, based on the Kobe University Diploma Policy.

- Students are enrolled in the Department of Medical Technology for 4 years or more and must obtain the prescribed credits required for course completion.
- Prior to graduating, students are expected to acquire the following skills as majors in Medical Technology, in addition to the abilities set out in the Kobe University Diploma Policy.

“Humanity and Ethics”

- Outstanding humanity required to be a member of medical team, research team, or educational team.
- A code of conduct with high ethical standards.
- The ability to be an active member at the forefront of medical society in areas including clinical, research and educational activities.

“Creativity”

- The enterprising spirit and flexible imagination required to tackle problems.
- The ability to strive towards new technologies and the development of equipment that can contribute to society.

“Local and International Awareness”

- The ability to play a central role in regional medical care; in areas such as diagnosis and early detection of diseases, treatment evaluation, and understanding of health conditions.
- The ability to consider inspection techniques and medical care from an international

perspective.

- The ability to use English in order to collect and present academically appropriate information and communicate well with third parties.

“Specialization and Collaboration”

- The ability to learn independently in order to acquire a high level of expertise and inspection skills relating to medical examination technology.
- The ability to contribute towards the improvement of human welfare in cooperation with medical staff and scientists.

## **Degree: Bachelor of Science (Physical Therapy)**

### **Department of Physical Therapy**

The Department of Physical Therapy in the School of Medicine’s Faculty of Health Sciences awards this degree as follows, based on the Kobe University Diploma Policy.

- Students are enrolled in the Department of Physical Therapy for 4 years or more and must obtain the prescribed credits required for course completion.
- Prior to graduating, students are expected to acquire the following skills as majors in Physical Therapy, in addition to the abilities set out in the Kobe University Diploma Policy.

“Humanity and Ethics”

- The ability to provide clinical skills as health care professionals possessing a strong sense of humanity and high ethical standards.

“Creativity”

- The ability to create future types of physical therapy and related fields by mastering standard physical therapy theories and skills, in addition to identifying and solving issues with energetic spirit of inquiry and creativity.
- The ability to produce evidence through basic and/or clinical studies by respecting the knowledge of their predecessors.

“Local and International Awareness”

- The ability to contribute towards society by developing an understanding of various regional issues.
- The fundamental ability to play an active role internationally with their physical therapy theories and skills.

“Specialization and Collaboration”

- The ability to collaborate with related occupations within a healthcare/welfare team as health professional who has mastered the foundations of medicine and possesses a high level of expertise, by establishing mutual trust with clients and other health

providers, and building good relationships.

## **Degree: Bachelor of Science (Occupational Therapy)**

### **Department of Occupational Therapy**

The Department of Occupational Therapy in the School of Medicine's Faculty of Health Sciences awards this degree as follows, based on the Kobe University Diploma Policy.

- Students are enrolled in the Department of Occupational Therapy for 4 years or more and must obtain the prescribed credits required for course completion.
- Prior to graduating, students are expected to acquire the following skills as majors in Occupational Therapy, in addition to the abilities set out in the Kobe University Diploma Policy.

#### **“Humanity and Ethics”**

- The ability to proactively contribute the development of society by acquiring an excellent sense of humanity and high ethical standards as a professional occupational therapist.
- The ability to be deeply empathic towards individual clients, understand their characteristics, respect their human rights and provide support for their independence.

#### **“Creativity”**

- The practical ability to set and achieve their own targets with a sense of inquiry and creativity.
- The ability to scientifically analyze and logically consider problems in order to solve them.

#### **“Local and International Awareness”**

- Possessing a broad perspective and the ability to utilize expert knowledge related to occupational therapy in order to contribute towards the local community through multi-occupational collaboration.
- The ability to organize and understand their own issues from a global perspective and to make accurate presentations and communicate smoothly.

#### **“Specialization and Collaboration”**

- The ability to learn independently and continuously in order to acquire the expert knowledge and skills pertaining to advanced occupational therapy across various fields such as medical, health, and welfare.
- The ability to demonstrate superior coordination skills and collaborate with related occupations as an advanced medical professional in healthcare/welfare team.