

## **Diploma Policy of the Graduate School of Business Administration**

The Graduate School of Business Administration aims to foster academic researchers and professionals possessing excellence in terms of their humanity, creativity and international awareness, by cultivating extensive knowledge and advanced expertise in the fields of business administration, accounting and commerce. To achieve these objectives, the graduate school awards degrees according to the policies indicated below:

### **Master's Program**

#### **Degree: Master of Arts in Business Administration**

- Students shall study at the graduate school for the designated period, obtain the required credits for completion, and pass the examinations prescribed by the graduate school.
- Prior to completion, in addition to the abilities prescribed in Kobe University's Diploma Policy, students shall acquire advanced expertise in academic fields related to business administration and accounting, and master scientific research methodologies.

#### **Degree: Master of Arts in Commerce**

- Students shall study at the graduate school for the designated period, obtain the required credits for completion, and pass the examinations prescribed by the graduate school.
- Prior to completion, in addition to the abilities prescribed in Kobe University's Diploma Policy, students shall acquire advanced expertise in academic fields related to commerce, and master scientific research methodologies.

### **Doctoral Program**

#### **Degree: Doctor of Philosophy in Business Administration**

- Students shall study at the graduate school for the designated period, obtain the required credits for completion, and pass the examinations prescribed by the graduate school.
- Prior to completion, in addition to the abilities prescribed in Kobe University's Diploma Policy, students shall acquire the ability to conduct creative, original research based on their advanced expertise in academic fields related to business administration and accounting, and their knowledge of scientific research methodologies.

#### **Degree: Doctor of Philosophy in Commerce**

- Students shall study at the graduate school for the designated period, obtain the required credits for completion, and pass the examinations prescribed by the graduate school.
- Prior to completion, in addition to the abilities prescribed in Kobe University's Diploma Policy, students shall acquire the ability to conduct creative, original research based on their advanced expertise in academic fields related to commerce, and their knowledge of scientific research methodologies.

### **Professional Degree Program**

#### **Degree: Master of Business Administration**

- Students shall study at the graduate school for the designated period, obtain the required credits for completion, and pass the examinations prescribed by the graduate school.
- Prior to completion, students shall acquire the following abilities in addition to those prescribed in Kobe University's Diploma Policy; advanced expertise in general business administration, deep specialized knowledge in specific fields of business administration, logical thinking and the ability to apply this to real situations, and the thinking, judgement and communication skills necessary to be recognized by the international community.