

## **Diploma Policy of the School of Medicine**

Besides imparting broad knowledge to its students, Kobe University School of Medicine engages in educational research in the medical and life science fields and encourages its students to acquire highly specialized knowledge and skills. The School thus aims to produce doctors who possess high ethical standards, a strong inquiring mind and imagination, in addition to a “scientific” perspective. The School also fosters researchers who would pioneer cutting-edge, multidisciplinary research in medicine and life sciences. It intends to nurture broad-minded individuals capable of becoming international leaders in each relevant area.

To achieve these aims, bachelor’s degrees are awarded in accordance with the following policy.

### **Degree : Doctor of Medicine**

The School of Medicine awards this degree as follows, based on the Kobe University Diploma Policy:

- Students shall complete at least six years of study in the School of Medicine, obtain at least the requisite number of credits, and pass the final examination(s)
- Prior to graduating, students of the School of Medicine should demonstrate acquisition of the following qualities in addition to the abilities set out in the Kobe University Diploma Policy:

#### **I. Courtesy and Attitude**

The ability to build positive relationships with people, such as patients and fellow healthcare professionals.

#### **II. Scientific curiosity**

Sensibility and an inquisitive mindset with regard to life sciences, and the ability to think scientifically and creatively.

#### **III. Relevant knowledge and skills**

A knowledge base that balances fundamental and clinical elements, and sound clinical-based reasoning.

A full understanding of pathophysiology, and relevant basic skills.

#### **IV. High ethical standards**

Possession of solid ethics, and the ability to continually transform oneself through collaboration with those nearby.

#### **V. Aspiration**

The ability to set one’s own targets, identify issues, and strive to resolve them.

An aspiration to achieve one's long-term vision and become a capable professional.

VI. Leadership skills

The ability to contribute to local society by possessing a sense of humanity that is accepting of diversity and demonstrable leadership skills.

VII. International awareness

The international awareness and linguistic ability necessary to accumulate and analyze a broad range of information and engage in pertinent discussions.