

Diploma policy of the Graduate School of Human Development and Environment

The Graduate School of Human Development and Environment of Kobe University aims to produce graduates who 1) contribute to fundamental, applied, and practical research and education activities on human development and the surrounding environment in a proactive and self-motivated manner, 2) apply their advanced expertise to play a leading role in advancing such research and education activities, and 3) possess research capabilities that enable them to produce creative and outstanding results.

In order to achieve these objectives, the Graduate School awards degrees according to the following policy.

Master's program

Master's Degrees (Master of Arts, Master of Education)

The Department of Human Development of the Graduate School of Human Development and Environment awards degrees (Master of Arts or Master of Education) based on the characteristics of the thesis themes and expertise of those who have completed the Department's Master's Program.

Department of Human Development

Degree: Master of Arts

The Department of Human Development of the Graduate School of Human Development and Environment awards degrees as follows, based on the Kobe University Diploma Policy:

Students must complete courses that are organized pursuant to the Graduate School's educational purpose, obtain the prescribed credits, defend their thesis, and pass the final exam. Students who successfully complete the Master's Program are expected to 1) have participated in fundamental, applied, and practical research and education activities on human development and the surrounding environment in a proactive and self-motivated manner, and 2) apply their expertise to play a leading role in advancing such research and education activities.

In addition to the capabilities defined in the Kobe University Diploma Policy, students are expected to acquire the following skills prior to completing the Master's Program:

- Advanced expertise in human development and supporting environments.
- Comprehensive and advanced expert knowledge regarding human development.
- The ability to understand human development multilaterally and comprehensively.

- The ability to analyze human development multilaterally and comprehensively.
- The expert knowledge and practical skills needed to identify and solve various human development-related issues, based on a deep understanding of their field of expertise. These include the following:
 - Issues related to physical and mental development and health during human development.
 - Issues related to expressive activities, which are performed as an expression of sensitivity, during human development.
 - Issues related to behaviors and physical activities during human development.
 - Issues related to education and learning activities during human development.

Degree: Master of Education

The Department of Human Development of the Graduate School of Human Development and Environment awards degrees as follows, based on the Kobe University Diploma Policy:

Students must complete courses that are organized pursuant to the Graduate School's educational purpose, obtain the prescribed credits, defend their thesis, and pass the final exam. Students who successfully complete the Master's Program are expected to 1) have participated in fundamental, applied, and practical research and education activities on human development and the surrounding environment in a proactive and self-motivated manner, and 2) apply their expertise in pedagogy to play a leading role in advancing such research and education activities.

In addition to the capabilities defined in the Kobe University Diploma Policy, students are expected to acquire the following skills prior to completing the Master's Program:

- Advanced expertise in human development and supporting environments.
- Comprehensive and advanced expert knowledge regarding human development.
 - The ability to understand human development multilaterally and comprehensively.
 - The ability to analyze human development multilaterally and comprehensively.
- The expert knowledge and practical skills needed to identify and solve various human development-related issues, based on a deep understanding of the field of expertise. These include the following:
 - Issues related to physical and mental development and health during human development.
 - Issues related to expressive activities, which are performed as an expression of sensitivity, during human development.
 - Issues related to behaviors and physical activities during human development.
 - Issues related to education and learning activities during human development.

Master's Degrees (Master of Arts, Master of Science)

The Department of Human Environmental Science of the Graduate School of Human Development and Environment awards degrees (Master of Arts or Master of Science) based on the characteristics of the thesis themes and expertise of those who have completed the Department's Master's Program.

Department of Human Environmental Science

Degree: Master of Arts

The Department of Human Environmental Science of the Graduate School of Human Development and Environment awards degrees as follows, based on the Kobe University Diploma Policy:

Students must complete courses that are organized pursuant to the Graduate School's educational purpose, obtain the prescribed credits, defend their thesis, and pass the final exam. Students who successfully complete the Master's Program are expected to 1) have participated in fundamental, applied, and practical research and education activities on human development and the surrounding environment in a proactive and self-motivated manner, and 2) apply their expertise to play a leading role in advancing such research and education activities.

In addition to the capabilities defined in the Kobe University Diploma Policy, students are expected to acquire the following skills prior to completing the Master's Program:

- Advanced expertise in human development and supporting environments.
- Interdisciplinary and advanced expert knowledge regarding environments that support human development.
- The expert knowledge and practical skills needed to identify and solve various issues related to environments that support and promote human development, based on a deep understanding of the field of expertise. These include the following:
 - Issues related to natural environments that affect human development.
 - Issues related to diversified mathematical information environments that affect human development.
 - Issues related to living environments that affect human development.
 - Issues related to social environments that deeply affect human development.

Degree: Master of Science

The Department of Human Environmental Science of the Graduate School of Human Development and Environment awards degrees as follows, based on the Kobe University Diploma Policy:

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In addition to the capabilities defined in the Kobe University Diploma Policy, students are expected to acquire the following skills prior to completing the Master's Program:

- Advanced expertise in human development and supporting environments
- Interdisciplinary and advanced expert knowledge on environments that support human development
- The expert knowledge and practical ability needed to identify and solve various issues related to environments that support and promote human development, based on a deep understanding of the field of expertise. These include the following:
 - Issues related to natural environments that affect human development.
 - Issues related to diversified mathematical information environments that affect human development.
 - Issues related to living environments that affect human development.
 - Issues related to social environments that deeply affect human development.

Doctoral program

Doctoral Degrees (Doctor of Philosophy, Doctor of Philosophy in Education)

The Department of Human Development of the Graduate School of Human Development and Environment awards degrees (Doctor of Philosophy or Doctor of Philosophy in Education) based on the characteristics of the dissertation themes and expertise of those who have completed the Doctoral Program at the Department.

Department of Human Development

Degree: Doctor of Philosophy

The Department of Human Environmental Science of the Graduate School of Human Development and Environment awards degrees as follows, based on the Kobe University Diploma Policy:

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In addition to the capabilities defined in the Kobe University Diploma Policy, students are expected to acquire the following skills prior to completing the Doctoral Program:

- The necessary skills acquired through the Master's Program..
- The ability to perform research on human development in an independent manner.
- The ability to plan and organize joint and/or interdisciplinary research on human development.
- The ability to consider wide-ranging research fields related to human development and to apply the resulting insights to innovatively explore new research challenges and areas.
- Advanced research capabilities across different academic fields related to human development.

Degree: Doctor of Philosophy in Education

The Department of Human Environmental Science of the Graduate School of Human Development and Environment confers degrees as follows, based on the Kobe University Diploma Policy:

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apply the resulting insights to innovatively explore new research challenges and areas.

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Department of Human Environmental Science

Degree: Doctor of Philosophy

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In addition to the capabilities defined in the Kobe University Diploma Policy, students are expected to acquire the following skills prior to completing the Doctoral Program:

- The necessary skills acquired through the Master's Program.
- The ability to perform research on environments that support human development in an independent manner.
- The ability to plan and organize joint and/or interdisciplinary research on environments that support human development.
- The ability to consider wide-ranging research fields related to environments that support human development and to apply the resulting insights to innovatively explore new research challenges and areas.
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Degree: Doctor of Philosophy in Science

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