Academic Year 2025 APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION

Graduate School of Health Sciences
Kobe University
Special Entrance Examination
For Foreign Students
(Doctoral Course)

Please note that, due to unforeseen circumstances such as infectious diseases or natural disasters, there might be changes on the upcoming entrance examination, which include postponement of the examination and/or changes in the contents of the examination. In such a case, these changes will be announced on the webpage of Graduate School of Health Sciences, Kobe University.

1. Number of Students Admitted

	Donostmont	Number of Students	
	Department	to be admitted	
Health Sciences	Nursing		
	Biophysics	Limited number	
	Rehabilitation Science	Limited number	
	Public Health		

Applicants should consult with faculty members in the relevant field about future research contents prior to applying.

2. Eligibility for General Admission

There are four categories of eligible applicants:

- (a) Those who have or will have obtained a master's degree or professional degree in Japan by March 31, 2025.
- (b) Those who have or will have obtained a master's degree or professional degree outside Japan by March 31, 2025.
- (c) Those who have been approved by the Japanese Ministry of Education, Science and Culture. (Those who have spent at least two years at a university or a research institution after graduating from an undergraduate program in Japan or completed 16 years of education abroad by April 1, 2025 and whose academic results are deemed by GSHS to be equivalent to or higher than those expected from someone with a master's degree or professional degree.)
- (d) Those who are at least 25 years of age by April 1, 2025 and are recognized as possessing an academic ability equivalent to or higher than those with a master's degree or professional degree by GSHS.

Note

The eligibility requirement 2(d) includes those who have completed a course of a 6-year undergraduate university or a foreign undergraduate university whose course is 5 or more years, and are recognized as possessing an academic ability suitable for doctorate studies. Only a course of medical, dental, pharmaceutical, or veterinary school is qualified. In this case documents from GSHS are not required.

Applicants in the eligibility requirement 2(c) and 2(d) above must contact the Academic Affairs Office of Graduate School of Health Sciences about their eligibility and mail or bring documents between September 3 and September 6, 2024. All inquiries must be accompanied with the following documents: Entrance examination eligibility application form (Form I), The contents of the practical or research experience (Form II), Research achievements (Form III), Certificate for employment period (Form IV), official transcript and certificate from the last university attended.

The results of the document review will be notified to the applicant by September 27, 2024 by post. No telephone inquiries will be accepted.

3. Application Documents

The following documents must be submitted:

(1) **Application form** (Form V)

A recent (within the last three months) photograph (4 cm \times 3 cm) must be glued to the completed application form.

- (2) Official transcript of undergraduate studies or master's course studies in English (If not in English, a translation should also be included.)
- (3) Official certificate of bachelor's degree or master's degree in English

 Applicants who have not yet graduated must provide an official letter from the university in which they are

currently enrolled affirming the applicant's expected graduation and degree conferment by March 31, 2025. If not in English, translation(s) should also be included.

(4) **Reason for application** (Form VI)

- (5) **Master's thesis along with its abstract** (2,000 words maximum, Free form but it should contain the name of applicant). If the thesis is not in English, the abstract must be in English.
- *1 Applicants who are expected to obtain a master's degree by March 31, 2025 may submit the current draft of their master's thesis and its abstract (2,000 words maximum).
- *2 Applicants in eligibility category 2(c) or applicants who have or will have obtained a master's degree without submitting a master's thesis must submit an academic paper or report equivalent to a master's thesis (publications also accepted) along with its abstract (2,000 words maximum).
- *3 Applicants in eligibility category 2(d) must submit an academic paper or report based on their research work or practical experience, which is equivalent to a master's thesis, along with its abstract (2,000 words maximum).

(6) Letter of recommendation (if any)

An original letter must be submitted; a copy, in any form, is unacceptable. The letter should be from a person familiar with the applicant's academic work and English ability.

- (7) **Application fee**: 30,000 yen (fee subject to change)
 - *1 After obtaining a letter of consent, please inquire about payment methods at the Academic Affairs Office.
 - *2 After completing the monetary transfer, attach a photocopy of the bank transfer receipt or transfer slip to the application form. Payment of bank transfer fees (if any) is the responsibility of the applicant.
- (8) Examination arrangement slip and examination admission slip (Forms VII and VIII)

(9) A reply envelope

We will use it when sending an admission ticket.

[For those living in Japan] Affix a postage stamp of 354 yen to the fixed form envelope (長形 3 号) and specify the postal code, address and full name.

[For those living abroad] Write your full name and address for receiving EMS and enclose Japanese stamps or international reply stamps (1 stamp = 150 yen) with value equivalent to the following rates.

(China, South Korea, Taiwan 1,450yen; Asia (excluding China, South Korea and Taiwan) 1,900yen; Oceania, Canada, Mexico, Near and Middle East, Europe 3,150yen; America 3,900yen; Latin America (excluding Mexico), Africa 3,600yen)

(10) Certificate of MEXT Scholarship

Those who are MEXT Scholarship students at the time of application must submit this certificate.

Note

For applicants who have or will have graduated from a university in China, application documents (2) and (3) must be submitted through the verification service provided by the China Higher-education Information and Student Information (CHSI) or the China Academic Degrees and Graduate Education Development Center (CDGDC). Chinese applicants must apply online at http://www.chsi.com.cn or http://www.cdgdc.cdu.cn. Application documents (2) and (3) must be verified by CHSI or CDGDC and sent directly from CHSI or CDGDC to Academic Affairs Office of Graduate School of Health Sciences, Kobe University by E-mail.

4. Application Deadline

Applications must be received between October 1 and October 4, 2024.

All applications must be sent by registered express mail. Please write Application for certification of eligibility (Special Entrance Examination of Doctoral Course) of Graduate School of Health Sciences Administration in red ink on the front of the envelope.

Address: Academic Affairs Office

Graduate School of Health Sciences, Kobe University

7-10-2 Tomogaoka, Suma-ku, Kobe-shi

654-0142, Japan

E-mail: kyoumu@ams.kobe-u.ac.jp Office hours: 9:00~ 17:00 (JST)

5. Entrance Examination

Admission decisions will be made based on the results of the written examination and the interview, and the submitted application.

6. Date, Subjects, Time, Point Allocation, and Venue of Entrance Examination

Date	Exam subjects	Time	Point allocation	Venue
27/November/2024	Written exam of	10:00-12:00	150	Kobe University
	foreign language			Graduate School of
	(English)			Health Sciences
	Written exam of	13:00-14:00	100	(Myodani Campus)
	specialized subject			
	Interview	14:30-	50	

Note 1: Applicants are permitted to bring one dictionary when taking the foreign language (English) exam. However, an electronic dictionary is not allowed.

Note 2: Applicants shall choose one specialized subject corresponding to the division which they apply for from Table 1 below.

Table 1 Department, Division, and Specialized subjects

Department	Division	Specialized subjects	
Nursing	Chronic Illness and Conditions	Chronic Illness and Conditions	
	Nursing	Nursing	
	Nursing Practice Science	Nursing Practice Science	
	Life Support System	Life Support System	
	Development Nursing	Development Nursing	
	Family Health Care Nursing	Family Health Care Nursing	
	Maternity Nursing • Midwifery	Maternity Nursing or Midwifery	
Biophysics	Medical Biochemistry	Medical Biochemistry	
	Medical Biophysics	Medical Biophysics	
	Metabolism and Disease	Metabolism and Disease	
	Clinical Immunology	Clinical Immunology	
Rehabilitation Science	Anatomy	Anatomy	
	Motor Function and	Motor Function and	
	Pathokinesiology	Pathokinesiology	
	Cognitive and Psychiatric	Cognitive and Psychiatric	
	Rehabilitation	Rehabilitation	
	Health Information Science	Health Information Science	
Public Health	Community Health Sciences	Community Health Sciences	
	Health Sciences	Health Sciences	
	Global Infectious Diseases	Global Infectious Diseases	
	Global Health	Global Health	
	Preventive Healthcare	Preventive Healthcare	

7. Additional Support due to Physical Challenges

Applicants who are in need of additional support due to physical challenges for taking the entrance examination and/or for conducting their academic work should contact the Academic Affairs Section of Graduate School of Health Sciences by October 4, 2024.

8. Announcement of Results

Friday, December, 20 2024, 10:00 a.m. (Tentative)

The admission results will be on the web site of Graduate School of Health Sciences (http://www.ams.kobe-u.ac.jp/en/). For all successful applicants, an official letter including a set of documents required for enrollment procedures will be sent by post as well. No telephone inquiry is accepted.

9. Enrollment Procedure, Entrance Fee, and Tuition Fee

Successful applicants shall complete the enrollment procedure on the designated date as below. If successful applicants do not complete the enrollment procedure on the designated date, Kobe University shall not accept any further admission procedures as they will be treated as having declined enrollment.

Schedule for Enrollment Procedure and Entrance Fee

Date (Tentative)	Venue (Tentative)	Entrance fee
Mid-Mar 2025	Kobe University Centennial Hall (Rokkodai 2 nd Campus)	282,000 yen

- Note 1: A set of documents required for the enrollment procedure will be sent by post in late February of 2025.
- Note 2: The entrance fee described on the above table applied for the academic year 2024. The entrance fee is subject to change for students enrolling in the academic year 2025.
- Note 3: The entrance fee is non-refundable.
- Note 4: Applicants who are in need of financial support for the entrance fee should contact the Academic Affairs Section of Graduate School of Health Sciences by the designated day of enrollment procedure.

Tuition Fees

Spring semester	267,900 yen
Fall semester	267,900 yen
Total	535,800 yen

- Note 1: The tuition fee should be paid in April of the academic year 2025.
- Note 2: The tuition fee described in the above table applied for the academic year 2024. The tuition fee is subject to change for students enrolling in the academic year 2025. If the tuition fee changes while students are enrolled, the new tuition fee will be applicable from the date of revision.
- Note 3: Applicants who are in need of financial support for the tuition fee should contact the Academic Affairs Section of Graduate School of Health Sciences by the designated day of enrollment procedure.

10. Long-Term Credit Course

Long-term credit course is a system designed to provide more options for learning for those who are willing to study while working. Students in this course can take credits in a planned manner if they request to take courses for a certain period (less than three years) of time that exceeds the standard term (three years) of study and their requests are approved. Related documents on this course will be sent by post with a set of documents required for enrollment procedure. For further inquiries about this course, please contact the Academic Affairs Section of Kobe University Graduate School of Health Sciences.

11. Important Note

- (1) For applicants of eligibility screening, please pay the examination fee after receiving an acceptance letter of eligibility decision.
- (2) Changes to information contained in application documents are not accepted after submission. No application documents are returned after submission. However, please contact the Academic Affairs Section of Graduate School of Health Sciences promptly if there is any change in the contact information.

- (3) The examination fee is non-refundable except in the case of non-submission of application documents or non-acceptance of submitted application documents.
- (4) The entrance fee is non-refundable.
- (5) An offer of admission may be subsequently rescinded where false information is provided by the applicant in the application or other related documents.
- (6) Applicants shall complete the application documents based on the guide.

12. Handling of Personal Information

- (1) Personal information obtained by Kobe University will be handled in the strictest confidence, in compliance with the Protection of Personal Information Act and other applicable laws and regulations, as well as Kobe University Guidelines on Personal Information Protection.
- (2) Personal information used in applicant selection, such as examination results, shall be used for the screening of applicants, announcement of examination results, enrollment procedures and for the creation of study materials for future applicant screening.
- (3) Personal information provided during the application process shall be used for student support services including health management, exemption from tuition fees and scholarship applications, as well as for purposes such as academic instruction, and other administrative procedures.

13. ICHS (International Course for Health Sciences)

The Graduate School of Health Sciences offers ICHS that allows you to obtain credits towards PhD. This program will be carried out in English. The details of ICHS are described in the following website.

http://www.edu.kobe-u.ac.jp/ghs-ichs/en/features.html

14. Inquiries about Obtaining and Submitting Application Forms

For further inquiries, please contact the Academic Affairs Section at the address below:

Academic Affairs Office

Graduate School of Health Sciences, Kobe University

7-10-2, Tomogaoka, Suma-ku, Kobe, 654-0142, Japan

E-mail: kyoumu@ams.kobe-u.ac.jp Office hours: 9:00~ 17:00 (JST)

Results of Entrance Examination for Doctoral Course of Graduate School of Health Sciences

Academic year	Number of	Number of	Number of	Number of
	applicants	examinees	successful	entrance students
			applicants	
2022	26 (2)	25 (1)	23 (1)	23 (1)
2023	25 (10)	25 (10)	21 (10)	20 (9)
2024	28 (6)	28 (6)	25 (6)	24 (5)

Note: Figures in parentheses indicate the number of examinees who took special entrance examinations for international students.

Table A Teaching Staff

* Faculty members who can become main supervisors are professors or associate professors with a circle in the field of PI (Principal Investigator).

Department	Division	Name	Position	PI	Tel & E-mail
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	Cimical Immunolog	Akira	Professor		E-mail: hash@med.kobe-u.ac.jp
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		OHTSUKA Asuka	Associate Professor		Tel: +81-78-796-4517
Public Health	Community Health Sciences	IZUMI Hisako	Professor		Tel: +81-78-796-4530 E-mail: izumi.hisako@people.kobe-u.ac.jp
		NISHIMURA Noriyuki	Professor		Tel:+81-78-796-4545 E-mail:nnishi@med.kobe-u.ac.jp
		NAKAYAMA Kimiko	Associate Professor	0	Tel : +81-78-796-4527 E-mail : nakayama@port.kobe-u.ac.jp
	Health Sciences	YASUDA Hisafumi	Professor		Tel: +81-78-796-4511 E-mail: yasuda@med.kobe-u.ac.jp
	Global Infectious Diseases	KAMEOKA Masanori	Professor		Tel: +81-78-796-4594 E-mail: mkameoka@port.kobe-u.ac.jp
		IRIKO Hideyuki	Associate Professor	0	Tel : +81-78-796-4560 E-mail : iriko@koala.kobe-u.ac.jp
	Global Health	NAKAZAWA Minato	Professor		Tel: +81-78-796-4551 E-mail: minato-nakazawa@people.kobe-u.ac.jp
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		YAMADA Yosuke	Associate Professor		Tel: — E-mail: yamaday@nibiohn.go.jp

Preventive measures against measles, rubella, epidemic parotiditis, and chickenpox

(1) Submission of a certificate demonstrating inoculation and an antibody test against measles and rubella:

Kobe University has implemented the *Measles and Rubella Registration Policy*, and all newly enrolled Kobe University students must submit <u>one of the following three certificates (①, ②, or ③)</u> to prevent a possible outbreak of measles and rubella on campus.

Please note that students admitted to the following schools are required to submit either ① or ③: School of Medicine (Faculty of Medicine and Faculty of Health Sciences), the Graduate School of Medicine, or the Graduate School of Health Sciences.

- ① A vaccination certificate to prove that you have received two doses each of the measles and rubella vaccine after turning one year old (recommended)
- ② A vaccination certificate to prove that you were inoculated with measles and rubella vaccines each within the last five years (since April 2020).
- ③ An antibody certificate to prove that you have sufficient antibody titer in your blood (refer to the chart next page) to prevent the development of measles and rubella, based on the results of an antibody test performed within the last five years (since April 2020)
- * For ① and ②, a combined vaccine against measles and rubella (e.g., MR vaccine) is permissible.
- * For ① and ②, the certificate must be issued by an accredited medical institution and state the <u>type of</u> vaccine and the date of inoculation.
- * If you have a history of measles or rubella, please submit ③ or receive a vaccination and submit ① or ②.
- * For ③, the certificate must specify the measuring method and the measured values of antibody titer in your blood (refer to the next page), and it must satisfy the judging standard listed in the chart. A blood test report sheet itself can be accepted for submission.

If the antibody titer in your blood is insufficient, you must receive the necessary vaccination, and submit either 1 or 2.

- * You may submit a combination of ①, ②, and ③ (e.g., ① for measles and ③ for rubella).
- * If your antibody titer level is below the threshold, yet you are unable to receive the vaccinations due to certain circumstances (such as illness or specific body conditions), please provide an official document (like a medical certificate) that explains the reason.

Procedure, deadline, and location for submission

- All successful undergraduate and graduate applicants enrolling in April (except the Graduate School of Medicine, the Graduate School of Health Sciences and the Graduate School of Maritime Sciences): Please submit at the time of the medical checkup for new students scheduled in April.
- All successful graduate applicants enrolling in April (the Graduate School of Medicine, the Graduate School of Health Sciences, and the Graduate School of Maritime Sciences):

Submit the certificate to the following institution by the designated date:

- Students of the Graduate School of Medicine should submit directly to the Medical Center for Student Health, Kusunoki Branch, by April 21.
- Students of the Graduate School of Health Sciences should submit directly to the Physical and Mental Health Consultation Office (Myodani Campus), by April 21.
- Students of the Graduate School of Maritime Sciences should submit the form at the medical examination site on the day of the medical check-up for maritime sciences students.
- · Successful applicants enrolling in October:

Please submit the form at the time of the medical check-up for students entering in October.

(2) Submission of a certificate demonstrating inoculation and an antibody test against epidemic parotiditis and chickenpox (only for successful applicants enrolling in the School of Medicine including both the Faculty of Medicine and the Faculty of Health Sciences; the Graduate School of Medicine; and the Graduate School of Health Sciences):

In addition to the measles and rubella certificate, successful applicants enrolling in the School of Medicine (the Faculty of Medicine and the Faculty of Health Sciences), the Graduate School of Medicine, and the Graduate School of Health Sciences, are also required to submit a certificate regarding epidemic parotiditis and chickenpox. A designated form for the certificate is available at the Academic Affairs Section.

The certificate must state that either you were inoculated against epidemic parotiditis and chickenpox (twice each after one year of age), or verify that you have sufficient antibody titer in your blood to prevent the development of epidemic parotiditis and chickenpox based on an antibody test performed within the last five years (since April 2020).

If the antibody titer in your blood is insufficient, you must receive the necessary vaccination (twice each), by the due date for the certificate submission. (The two vaccinations must be given at least 4 weeks apart.)

* If your antibody titer level is below the threshold, yet you are unable to receive the vaccinations due to certain circumstances (such as illness or specific body conditions), please provide an official document (like a medical certificate) that explains the reason.

Procedure, deadline, and location for submission>

- Successful undergraduate and graduate applicants enrolling in April
 (Only for the School of Medicine including the Faculty of Medicine and the Faculty of Health Sciences; the Graduate School of Medicine, and the Graduate School of Health Sciences):
 By the end of June of your first year, submit the certificate to the following:
- Students of the School of Medicine (both the Faculty of Medicine and the Faculty of Health Sciences) should submit directly to the Medical Center for Student Health (Rokkodai).
- Students of the Graduate School of Medicine should submit directly to the Medical Center for Student Health, Kusunoki Branch.
- Students of the Graduate School of Health Sciences should submit directly to the Physical and Mental Health Consultation Office (Myodani Campus).
- Attention: For those who are enrolled in the School of Medicine but miss the submission deadline, you may not be able to participate in the initial on-site clinical training program etc.
 - Successful graduate applicants enrolling in October
 (Only for the Graduate School of Medicine and the Graduate School of Health Sciences):
 Submit the certificate by end of December of your first year to the following:
 - Students of the Graduate School of Medicine should submit directly to the Medical Center for Student Health, Kusunoki Branch.
 - Students of the Graduate School of Health Sciences should submit directly to the Physical and Mental Health Consultation Office (Myodani Campus).

Measuring methods and judging standards for blood antibody titers

	Measuring Method	Judging Standard	Remarks
Measles	IgG — EIA method PA method NT method	$8.0 \leq \text{positive}$ $(16.0 \leq) *$ $256x \leq \text{positive}$ $(256x \leq) *$ $4.0x \leq \text{positive}$ $(8x \leq) *$	Positive result by one of these three methods. *For the School of Medicine (both the Faculty of Medicine and the Faculty of Health Sciences), the Graduate School of Medicine, and the Graduate School of Health Sciences: Positive result by one of these three methods, and must achieve values shown in brackets.
Rubella	HI method IgG – EIA method	$32x \leq positive$ 8.0 $\leq positive$	Positive result by one of these two methods. (HI method is recommended)
Epidemic parotidi- tis (mumps)	IgG-EIA method	4.0 ≦ positive	Only for the following schools: School of Medicine (Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Health Sciences), Graduate School of Medicine, and Graduate School of Health Sciences
Chickenpox	IgG – EIA method IAHA method NT method	$4.0 \le \text{positive}$ $4\text{-fold} \le \text{positive}$ $4\text{-fold} \le \text{positive}$	Only for the following schools: School of Medicine (Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Health Sciences), Graduate School of Medicine, Graduate School of Health Sciences Positive result by one of these three methods (IgG—EIA method is recommended)

- * Antibody testing is not required if the vaccination history meets the requirements or if additional vaccinations are given.
- * Make sure the above methods are followed when the antibody titer is measured in your blood.
- * The protective antibody value differs according to the measuring method used. Please note that

the judging standards are higher than the usual standards used at medical institutions.

Students who wish to enter the School of Medicine (the Faculty of Medicine and the Faculty of Health Sciences), the Graduate School of Medicine, and the Graduate School of Health Sciences should note that they are required to have a higher level of protective antibodies against measles, as indicated in brackets.

* Before visiting a medical institution, please confirm in advance whether you can receive the necessary antibody tests and/or the vaccinations.

When you visit a doctor at a medical institution, make sure to present this document to obtain the necessary certificate(s). (In particular, when taking an antibody test, please ensure the measurement methods meet the above criteria.)

- * Points to consider when submitting a certificate:
 - ① Please bring the original certificate along with one copy (A4 size).
 - ② If the certificate is written in a language other than Japanese or English, please attach a document showing the Japanese or English translation.

For further information, please refer to:

Medical Center for Student Health, Kobe University Tel: 078-803-5245

Student Support Division, Student Affairs Department, Kobe University Tel: 078-803-5219