Kobe University Rules for School of Medicine

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(Purpose)
Article 1 The purpose of these Rules is to provide for the necessary matters pertaining to the Kobe University School of Medicine (hereinafter referred to as "School"), in accordance with the Kobe University General Rules for Students (established on April 1, 2004; hereinafter referred to as "General Rules").

(Departments and Specialized Courses)
Article 2 The School will have the following departments:
Faculty of Medicine
Faculty of Health Sciences

2 The Faculty of Health Sciences will have the following majors:
Nursing
Medical Technology
Physical Therapy
Occupational Therapy

(Education and Research Purposes)
Article 2-2 The human resources development purposes and other educational and research purposes of each department are as follows.
(1) Faculty of Medicine
The purpose of the department is to impart a wide range of knowledge; to provide education and research in the fields of medicine and life sciences and equip students with advanced expert knowledge and techniques; as well as to train doctors who have strong ethics and the viewpoint of 'scientists' who have an inquisitive spirit and strong imagination, and researchers who will drive leading academic research in medicine and life sciences forward.

(2) Faculty of Health Sciences
The purpose of the department is to impart a wide range of knowledge; to conduct research to create and realize comprehensive medical healthcare and support the people's health by cooperating with the healthcare and welfare teams; as well as to train medical personnel who have advanced expert knowledge, techniques and a rich sense of humanity who can contribute to the healthcare within and outside of Japan as well as the happiness of mankind, and medical personnel who have scientific and ethical mentality required for the discovery and solving of problems, creative spirit of inquiry and an intention to do research.

(Subjects and Number of Credits)
Article 3 The subjects and the number of credits awarded to each subject at the School are as listed in Appended Table 1.
2 The allocation of subjects in the preceding paragraph in each year shall be prescribed separately.
3 In addition to those subjects prescribed in the paragraph 1, subjects may be established on a temporary basis.
4 Those temporary subjects, the number of credits awarded to them and the annual allocation of subjects set forth in the preceding paragraph will be prescribed at the time of their establishment.

(Credit Standards)

Article 4 Credits for each subject shall be calculated according to the following standards:
(1) For lectures, one credit shall be granted for 15 or 30 hours of class;
(2) For practical training, one credit shall be granted for 30 hours of class;
(3) For laboratory experiments and practical training, one credit shall be granted for 30 or 45 hours of class.

(Requirements)

Article 5 Students must attain the number of credits designated by their Faculty as prescribed in Appended Table 2.
2 When foreign students earn credits from subjects established under the provisions of Article 26, paragraph 2 of the General Rules, these credits may be approved as credits as prescribed in Appended Table 2 pursuant to the provisions set forth separately.

(Upper Limit for Registration of Subjects)

Article 6 The upper limit of the number of subject registrations as prescribed in Article 29, paragraph 1 of the General Rules shall be 45 credits for the Faculty of Medicine and 55 credits for the Faculty of Health Sciences.
2 Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, the upper limit of the number of subject registrations for persons who transfer into the School from another university or another faculty shall be 49 credits. However, it shall be 55 credits for the Faculty of Health Sciences.
3 Under the provisions of the preceding Article, a student with an excellent academic record who has acquired the designated credits may be allowed to register for subjects in excess of the upper limit prescribed in the preceding 2 paragraphs.
4 The criteria for students who register for subjects in excess of the upper limit prescribed in the preceding paragraph shall be prescribed separately.

(Enrollment in Subjects)

Article 7 Students must submit the required enrollment form for subjects they wish to take to the dean of the Kobe University School of Medicine (hereinafter referred to as "Dean") by the designated date every semester, and obtain his or her approval. However, this shall not apply to cases where students at the School of Medicine enroll in specialized education of the School of Medicine (excluding common specialist foundation subjects. The same applies from the following Article through Article 9).
2 For enrollment in subjects offered by other faculties, students must obtain permission from the Dean of that faculty through the Dean of the faculty to which they belong.
3 In cases where the specified credits were not obtained at the end of each semester, enrollment in the following semester may not be permitted.

(Enrollment in Subjects at Other Universities)
Article 8 Students may take subjects at other universities (including foreign universities. The same applies hereinafter.) with whom the School has signed a cooperative agreement after deliberation by the Kobe University School of Medicine Faculty Council (hereinafter referred to as "Faculty Council").

2 Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, when unavoidable circumstances arise, students may take subjects at a foreign university with whom the School has not signed any cooperative agreement after receiving the approval of the Faculty Council.

3 Regarding credits earned for subjects pursuant to the provisions of the preceding 2 paragraphs, up to 60 credits may be treated as credits earned at the School and approved as credits as prescribed in Appended Table 2.

(Taking Subjects at Foreign Universities while on leave of absence)

Article 8-2 Credits earned by a student for subjects taken at a faculty of a foreign university with whom the School has signed a cooperative agreement while on leave of absence under the approval of the Faculty Council may be treated as credits earned at the School.

2 Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, when unavoidable circumstances arise, credits earned by a student for subjects taken at a faculty of a foreign university with whom the School has not signed any cooperative agreement while on leave of absence may be treated as credits earned at the School after deliberation by the Faculty Council.

3 Out of those credits that can be treated as earned at the School pursuant to the provisions of the preceding 2 paragraphs, up to 60 credits in total with those credits approved as earned at the School pursuant to paragraph 3 of the preceding Article, may be approved as credits as prescribed in Appended Table 2.

(Approval of Credits Attained before Admission to a University)

Article 9 The approval of credits attained before admission to a University as prescribed in Article 36, paragraph 1 of the General Rules shall be determined after deliberation by the Faculty Council.

2 Persons who wish to have previously earned credits approved must submit the necessary documents to the Dean by the designated date.

3 Out of the credits approved pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 1, excluding cases of transfer from other universities and faculties and cases of readmission, up to 60 credits in total with the credits earned at the School pursuant to Article 8, paragraph 3 and paragraphs 1 and 2 of the preceding Article may be approved as credits as prescribed in Appended Table 2.

(Examinations)

Article 10 Examinations shall be conducted at the end of the semester when classes have ended. However, the examinations may be conducted at times other than the end of the semester when necessary.

2 Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, examinations may be replaced by students' usual grades.

3 Students must submit the required examination notification for subjects they intend to take examinations for to the relevant Dean by the designated date every semester. However, this shall not apply in cases for taking examination of specialized education.

4 Re-examinations will not be conducted for subjects that students have failed. However, this does not apply in cases where conditions set forth separately are met.

5 Makeup examinations will not be conducted for subjects that students were absent for the examinations. However, this does not apply in cases where conditions set forth separately are met.
Article 11 The criteria for evaluating academic performance set forth in Article 30 of the General Rules shall be prescribed separately.

Article 12 Persons who are enrolled for a specified period and who met the conditions prescribed in Article 5 shall be approved for graduation after receiving the approval of the Faculty Council.
2 In addition to what is prescribed in the preceding paragraph, for students of the Faculty of Medicine, passing the graduation examination set forth separately is a requirement for graduation.

Article 13 Students from another university with whom the School has signed a cooperative agreement who wish to apply to the School as special auditors shall submit their requests to the Dean via their universities as provided for separately.
2 The enrollment period for special auditors shall be the period during which subjects that they take are held.

Article 14 Necessary matters concerning credited auditors and special auditors shall be prescribed separately.

Article 15 Necessary matters concerning research students shall be prescribed separately.

Article 16 In addition to the provisions in these Rules, necessary matters concerning the implementation of these Rules shall be prescribed by the Dean after receiving the approval of the Faculty Council.

Supplementary Provisions
1 These Rules come into effect from April 1, 2004.
2 With regard to persons enrolled at the Faculty of Medicine upon enforcement of these Rules (Referred to as "enrolled students" in this paragraph) and persons who transfer from another university or another faculty, or are readmitted in the same year at the Faculty as an enrolled student on or after April 1, 2004, the subjects they are already enrolled in and the credits earned in accordance with the provisions of the Kobe University Rules for School of Medicine prior to its abolishment (hereinafter referred to as "Old Rules") under the provisions of Article 2 of the Rules on Abolishing Kobe University Rules, etc. (established on April 1, 2004) shall be deemed to be enrolled in and earned under the revised provisions of the Kobe University Rules for School of Medicine. However, for subjects to be taken by persons enrolled in their 2nd year at the Faculty of Medicine as of April 1, 2004, the provisions of the Old Rules shall be applicable.
3 With regard to persons enrolled at the Faculty of Health Sciences upon enforcement of these Rules (hereinafter referred to as "enrolled students" in this paragraph) and persons who transfer from another university or another faculty, or are readmitted in the same year at the Faculty as an enrolled student on or after April 1, 2004, the Old Rules shall remain applicable.
Supplementary Provisions between the original and the latest are omitted.

Supplementary Provisions (March 31, 2015)

1 These Rules come into effect on April 1, 2015.
2 With regard to persons enrolled upon enforcement of these Rules (hereinafter referred to as "Enrolled Students") and persons who transfer from another university or another faculty, or are readmitted in the same year at the School as an Enrolled Student on or after April 1, 2015, the previous Rules shall remain applicable, regardless of the revised provisions of Appended Tables 1 and 2.

Appended Tables 1 and 2 are omitted.