o Kobe University Graduate School of Law Rules

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Chapter 1: General Provisions

(Purpose)

Article 1 These rules stipulate necessary matters pertaining to the Kobe University Graduate School of Law (hereinafter referred to as "the Graduate School") in accordance with the National University Corporation Kobe University General Provisions (established on April 1, 2004) and the Kobe University General Rules for Students (established on April 1, 2004; hereinafter referred to as "General Rules").

(Program)

Article 2 The programs offered by the Graduate School shall be a graduate program and a professional degree program.

- 2 The graduate program shall be divided into a first stage program [(hereinafter referred to as "Master's Program")] and a subsequent program [(hereinafter referred to as "Doctoral Program")], and the first stage program shall be treated as a master's program.
- 3 The professional degree program shall be a professional degree program according to Article 99, Paragraph 2 of the School Education Standards (Act No. 26 of 1947; hereinafter referred to as "the Act"). Said professional graduate program shall constitute a "Law School" according to Article 18, Paragraph 1 of the Standards for the Establishment of Professional Graduate Schools (Ordinance of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology No. 16 of 2003).

(Departments and Divisions)

Article 3 The departments and divisions established in the graduate program are as listed in the following table:

Department	Division
Academic Legal Studies	Academic Public Law, Academic Transaction Law, Theory and History of Law
Political Science	Political Theory, International Policy Analysis, Analysis of Contemporary Politics

Article 2 The departments and divisions established in the professional degree program are as listed in the following table:

Department	Division
Professional Legal Studies	Professional Public Law, Professional Transaction Law,
	Advanced Legal Areas

(Education and Research Goals)

Article 3-2 The human resources development goals and other education and research goals of each department are respectively as follows:

(1) Department of academic legal studies

In addition to conducting basic legal research, the aim of the Master's Program is to cultivate the next generation of Japanese and international legal professionals engaging in education and research, to cultivate graduates equipped with a post-graduate level of legal knowledge and effective problem-solving skills, to cultivate working professionals with the applied, practical and comprehensive problem-solving skills to cope with legal problems and policy issues facing contemporary society, and to provide training and continuing education to legal professionals who can play an active role in highly specialized fields. The aim of the Doctoral Program is to further enhance the research and teaching skills of the next-generation of researchers, including persons who have completed studies at the department of professional legal studies, and cultivate advanced professionals who possess even more advanced problem-solving skills based on their master's level research.

(2) Department of political science

In addition to conducting basic and applied political science research, the aim of the Master's Program is to cultivate the next generation of Japanese and international political science professionals engaging in education and research, to cultivate graduates equipped with a post-graduate level of political science knowledge and effective problem-solving skills, and to cultivate working professionals with the applied, practical and comprehensive problem-solving skills to cope with political problems and policy issues facing contemporary society. The aim of the Doctoral Program is to further enhance the research and teaching skills of the next-generation of researchers and cultivate advanced professionals who possess even more advanced problem-solving skills based on their master's level research.

(3) Department of professional legal studies (professional degree program)

In addition to conducting applied legal research, the aim of the professional degree program is to cultivate highly international and highly specialized legal professionals trained in the latest research, focusing primarily on two types of legal professionals

—those who possess a deep knowledge of basic legal fields and proven capacity to apply said knowledge, and those who possess knowledge of basic legal fields as well as knowledge and skills related to cutting-edge legal fields centered on business law.

(Dean of the Graduate School)

Article 3-3 The Graduate School shall have a dean.

2 The dean shall oversee matters pertaining to the Graduate School.

(Associate Deans)

Article 3-4 The Graduate School shall have an associate dean.

- 2 The associate dean shall assist the dean with his or her duties.
- 3 The necessary matters concerning the selection of associate deans shall be stipulated separately.

(Courses)

Article 4 Each department of the Master's Program shall have a researcher course, adult learner course and a specialization course, and the department of academic legal studies shall have a recurrent course for lawyers.

2 Each department of the Doctoral Program shall have a researcher course and an advanced professional course.

Chapter 2: Admission and Advancement

(Master's Program and Professional Degree Program Admission Eligibility)

Article 5 Persons who fall under any of the following items can enroll in the Master's Program or the professional degree program of the Graduate School:

- (1) Persons who have graduated from a Japanese university;
- (2) Persons who have received a bachelor's degree pursuant to the provisions of Article 104, Paragraph 4 of the Act;
- (3) Persons who have completed 16 years of school education abroad;
- (4) Persons who have completed 16 years of school education of a school in a foreign country by taking correspondence courses provided by such foreign school in Japan;
- (5) Persons who have completed a program at an educational institution in Japan that is part of the school education system of a foreign country and has university programs of that foreign country, and that is separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (limited to persons who have completed 16 years of school education of that foreign country);
- (6) Persons who have completed a specialized program at a special training college in Japan separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology after the date determined by the Minister (limited to programs of at least four years that satisfy other standards determined by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology);

- (7) Persons designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (in accordance with Ministry of Education Notification No. 5 (1953));
- (8) Persons who were admitted to the Kobe University Graduate School pursuant to the provisions of Article 102, Paragraph 2 of the Act and have been recognized by the Graduate School of Law Faculty Council (hereinafter referred to as "Faculty Council") as having sufficient scholastic ability to undertake postgraduate studies at the Graduate School;
- (9) Persons who are 22 years or older and are deemed to have scholastic ability that is at least equivalent to a university graduate, based on the results of an individual entrance qualification examination administered by the Faculty Council.

(Master's Program and Professional Degree Program Early Admission)

Article 6 Notwithstanding the preceding article, the Faculty Council may decide to allow admission to a person who falls under any of the following categories and who, after deliberation by the Faculty Council, is recognized as having earned the credits stipulated by the Graduate School and achieved excellent grades:

- (1) Persons who were enrolled in a university for at least three years;
- (2) Persons who have completed 15 years of school education abroad;
- (3) Persons who have completed 15 years of school education of a school in a foreign country by taking correspondence courses provided by such foreign school in Japan;
- (4) Persons who have completed a program at an educational institution in Japan that is part of the school education system of a foreign country and has university programs of that foreign country, and that is separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (limited to persons who have completed 15 years of school education of that foreign country);

(Doctoral Program Admission Eligibility)

Article 7 Persons who fall under any of the following items can enroll in the Doctoral Program of the Graduate School:

- (1) Persons who have obtained a master's or professional degree;
- (2) Persons on whom a degree equivalent to a master's or a professional degree has been conferred by a foreign university;
- (3) Persons who have completed correspondence courses provided in Japan by a foreign school and on whom a degree equivalent to a master's or a professional degree was conferred;
- (4) Persons who have completed a program at an educational institution in Japan that is part of the school education system of a foreign country and has graduate school courses of that foreign country, and that is separately designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, and on whom a degree equivalent to a master's or a professional degree was conferred;
- (5) Persons who have completed a graduate program at United Nations University, which is the university founded based on a United Nations General Assembly resolution dated December 11, 1972 as stipulated in Article 1, Paragraph 2 of the Act on Special Measures Incidental to Enforcement of the Agreement between the United Nations and Japan regarding the Headquarters of the United Nations University (Act No. 72 of 1976), resulting in the conferral of a degree equivalent to a master's degree;
- (6) Persons who, having completed an educational program at a foreign school, a designated academic institution as described in Item 4 above or United Nations University, have passed an examination or screening equivalent to those set forth in Article 16-2 of the Standards for the Establishment of Graduate Schools (Ministry of Education Ordinance No. 28 of 1974) and have been recognized as having scholastic ability that is at least equivalent to that of someone with a master's degree;

- (7) Persons designated by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (in accordance with Ministry of Education Notification No. 118 (1989));
- (8) Persons who are 24 years old and are deemed to have scholastic ability that is at least equivalent to someone with a master's degree or professional degree based on the results of an individual entrance qualification examination administered by the Faculty Council.

(Advancement)

Article 8 Persons who wish to advance to the Doctoral Program after having completed a master's program, the Master's Program or a professional degree program at the graduate schools of the University may be permitted to do so if found to be eligible following screening by the Faculty Council.

(Screening)

Article 9 Applicants will be comprehensively screened based on the results of academic achievement tests, prior education or research results achieved and the like.

2 The methods, schedules etc. of the screenings in the preceding paragraph shall be stipulated each time by the Faculty Council.

Chapter 3: Lectures and Research Supervision

(Methods of Instruction)

Article 10 Education in the graduate program shall consist of lectures by subject and supervised research for a dissertation (hereinafter referred to as "research supervision").

- 2 Education in the professional degree program shall consist of lectures by subject.
- 3 The lectures and research supervision in Paragraph 1 may be offered at night or during other specified times or time periods.

(Graduate Program Subjects and Credit Numbers)

Article 11 The subjects in each department of the graduate program shall consist of seminars, special lectures and foreign literature research.

- 2 Subjects and the number of credits awarded for each subject are as listed in Appended Tables 1 and 2. In each case, one credit shall be granted for 15 hours of class.
- 3 Students in each department may take subjects from other departments as elective subjects.
- 4 Doctoral Program students may take Master's Program subjects as elective subjects as provided for separately.
- 5 Graduate program students may take professional degree program subjects as elective subjects as provided for separately.
- 6 Rules concerning subjects offered by another graduate school that, when taken as electives, can be considered as if they were earned in the graduate program as well as the calculation methods of credit numbers shall be stipulated separately.
- 7 Subjects in each department may be added as needed, and the names and credit numbers for those subjects shall be stipulated each time they are added.

(Subjects and Credit Numbers of Professional Degree Program)

Article 12 Subjects and the number of credits awarded for each subject of the professional degree program are as listed in Appended Table 3. In each case, one credit shall be granted for 15 hours of class.

2 Subjects may be added as needed, and the names and credit numbers for those subjects shall be stipulated each time they are added.

(Lecture Standards)

Article 13 Lectures in the graduate program will be offered more or less according to the following standards:

- (1) Seminars: Four hours of lectures per week for the whole semester;
- (2) Special lectures: Two hours of lectures per week for the whole semester;
- (3) Foreign literature research: Two hours of lectures per week for the whole semester.
- 2 As a rule, lectures in the professional degree program shall be offered each semester under the subjects listed in Appended Table 3.

(Supervisors in Charge)

Article 14 The Faculty Council shall designate faculty members in charge of research supervision for each student.

Chapter 4: Subject Enrollment and Completion Requirements

(Enrollment in Subjects)

Article 15 Students must notify the dean of the subjects they wish to take by the designated date.

- 2 The requirements etc. that students need to meet for enrollment in subjects shall be stipulated separately.
- 3 When students wish to take subjects offered by another graduate school or faculty within the University, as provided for separately, they must receive permission from the dean of said graduate school or faculty after receiving approval from the dean of the Graduate School.

(Professional Degree Program Subject Registration Limits)

Article 16 The upper limit of the number of subject registrations as stipulated in Article 73 of the General Rules shall be 40 credits in the first year, 36 credits in the second year and 44 credits in the third year.

2 A Student may register up to four credits beyond the upper limit of the number of subject registrations as stipulated in the preceding paragraph by taking one of the subjects listed in Section (1) of Appended Table 3-a in his or her first year and taking that same subject again in his or her second year.

(Restrictions on Advancement)

Article 17 When students in the professional degree program fall under any of the following items, they will not be permitted to advance, and their credits earned in the year in question, excluding those for the subjects for which they earned grades of S, A or B+ as stipulated in Article 21, Paragraph 2, shall be invalidated; however, rules on the handling of credits earned by taking subjects stipulated in Article 21, Paragraph 3 shall be stipulated separately:

- (1) When a student has failed to complete at least 26 credits in his or her first year or at least 24 credits in his or her second year;
- (2) When the grades for registered subjects do not satisfy the separately stipulated standards for advancement.

(Removal from the Student Register)

Article 18 If students who were not permitted to advance pursuant to the provisions of the preceding article fail, in the following academic year, to complete at least 26 credits for the first year or at least 24 credits for the second year together with the number of credits earned in the previous year, or if their grades for registered subjects do not satisfy the separately stipulated standards for advancement, they will be deemed as having no prospect of completing their studies and will be removed from the student register pursuant to the provisions of Article 46 of the General Rules.

(Provisions on Replacement of Terms)

Article 19 With regard to persons who are deemed to have completed one year of enrollment pursuant to the provisions of Article 29, Paragraph 2, the phrase "40 credits in the first year, 36 credits in the second year and 44 credits in the third year" in Article 16, Paragraph 1 shall be replaced with "36 credits in the second year and 44 credits in the third year", the phrase "at least 26 credits in his or her first year or at least 24 credits in his or her second year" in Article 17 shall be replaced with "at least 24 credits for the first year or at least 24 credits for the second year" in Article 18 shall be replaced with "at least 24 credits for the first year."

(Approval of Credits Earned)

Article 20 The approval of credits earned for each subject will be undertaken at the end of the semester when all classes of the relevant subject have finished.

2 The approval of credits in the preceding paragraph shall be based on results of written examinations, oral examinations, research reports, or submitted theses, or some combination thereof.

(Grades)

Article 21 Academic achievement for each subject in the graduate program shall be graded on a 100-point scale, with the grades S, A, B and C representing a pass, and F representing a fail, as listed below:

S (90 points or more);

A (80 points or more, less than 90 points);

B (70 points or more, less than 80 points);

C (60 points or more, less than 70 points);

F (Less than 60 points).

2 Academic achievement for each subject in the professional degree program shall be graded on a 100-point scale, with the grades S, A, B+, B, C+ and C representing a pass, and F representing a fail, as listed below:

S (90 points or more);

A (80 points or more, less than 90 points);

B+ (75 points or more, less than 80 points);

B (70 points or more, less than 75 points);

C+ (65 points or more, less than 70 points);

C (60 points or more, less than 65 points);

F (Less than 60 points).

3 Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding two paragraphs, grades for subjects deemed particularly necessary by the Faculty Council shall be stipulated separately.

(Criteria for Academic Evaluation)

Article 21-2 The criteria for evaluating academic performance set forth in Article 73-2 of the General Rules for Students shall be stipulated separately.

(Enrollment in Subjects at Another Graduate School Outside the University)

Article 22 Students may take subjects at a graduate school of another university (including foreign universities. Hereinafter the same shall apply.) with whom the Graduate School has signed a cooperative agreement after receiving the approval of the Faculty Council.

- 2 Regarding credits earned for subjects pursuant to the provisions of the preceding paragraph, when permitted by the Faculty Council, up to 10 credits may be counted towards the credit numbers stipulated in Article 25, Paragraph 1 Item 2, Article 26, Paragraph 1, Item 2, Article 27, Paragraph 1 Item 2, Article 28, Paragraph 1 Item 2 or Article 30, Item 2.
- 3 Regarding credits earned by professional degree program students for subjects at a graduate school of another university, when permitted by the Faculty Council, up to 30 credits may be counted towards the credit numbers stipulated in Article 29, Paragraph 1, notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph.

(Approval of Credits Acquired Prior to Admission)

Article 23 Regarding credits earned by students for subjects taken at a graduate school of another university (including foreign universities) prior to admission to the Graduate School, when permitted by the Faculty Council, up to 10 credits may be treated as if they were earned by taking subjects at the Graduate School after admission thereto, as provided for separately.

2 Regarding credits earned by professional degree program students prior to admission, when permitted by the Faculty Council, up to 30 credits, including those credits treated as if they were earned at the Graduate School pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 3 of the preceding Article, may be counted towards the credit numbers stipulated in Article 29, Paragraph 1, notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph,.

(Master's Program Completion Requirements)

Article 24 Students who have remained enrolled in the researcher course of the Master's Program for at least two years, who have earned at least 30 credits in accordance with the provisions of Articles 25 through 28, and who have passed the master's

thesis screening and final examination having received the necessary research supervision shall be deemed to have completed the program.

- 2 Students who have remained enrolled in the adult learner course, the specialization course or the recurrent course for lawyers of the Master's Program for at least two years, who have earned at least 30 credits in accordance with the provisions of Articles 25 through 28, and who have passed the master's thesis screening, or a screening of the results of research on a specified project, and final examination having received the necessary research supervision shall be deemed to have completed the program.
- 3 Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding two paragraphs, a student who has demonstrated excellence in their academic work may be permitted to graduate after one year of study in the Master's Program.

(Master's Program Researcher Course Credit Completion Requirements)

Article 25 Students in the researcher course of the Master's Program must complete the credits stipulated in the preceding article according to the following categories:

- (1) 16 credits of seminars listed in Appended Table 1-(a); however, when specifically approved by the Faculty Council, up to eight credits earned from the special lectures and foreign literature research listed in Appended Table 1-(a) (excluding those listed in the next item) may be counted toward these credit numbers; and
- (2) At least 14 credits of special lectures or foreign literature research listed in Appended Table 1-(a).
- 2 When students in the researcher course of the Master's Program earn credits from the special lectures listed in Appended Table 1-(b) or from subjects offered by other graduate schools within the University, up to six credits from those subjects may be counted towards the credit numbers stipulated in Item 2 of the preceding paragraph, as provided for separately.
- 3 When students in the researcher course of the Master's Program earn credits from the subjects listed in Appended Table 3, the credits from those subjects may be counted towards the credit numbers stipulated in Paragraph 1, Item 2, as provided for separately.
- 4 When special international students earn any credits from the subjects listed in Appended Table 1-(e), those credits from those subjects may be counted towards the credit numbers stipulated in Paragraph 1, Item 2.

(Master's Program Adult Learner Course Credit Completion Requirements)

Article 26 Students in the adult learner course of the Master's Program must complete the credits stipulated in Article 24 according to the following categories:

- (1) 16 credits of seminars listed in Appended Table 1-(b), as provided for separately; and
- (2) At least 14 credits of special lectures or foreign literature research listed in Appended Table 1-(a) or (b); however, students must complete at least four credits from the special lectures listed in Appended Table 1-(b).
- 2 When students in the adult learner course of the Master's Program earn any credits from the subjects listed in Appended Table 1-(d), from subjects listed in Appended Table 3 or from subjects offered by other graduate schools within the University, those credits from those subjects may be counted towards the credit numbers stipulated in the main clause of Item 2 of the preceding paragraph, as provided for separately.
- 3 In the cases stipulated in Paragraph 1, when specifically approved by the Faculty Council, up to eight credits of the special lectures and the foreign literature research listed in Appended Tables 1-(a) or (b) (excluding those listed in Paragraph 1, Item 2) and subjects listed in (d) may be counted towards the credit numbers stipulated in Paragraph 1, Item 1, as provided for separately.

(Master's Program Specialization Course Credit Completion Requirements)

Article 27 Students in the specialization course of the Master's Program must complete the credits stipulated in Article 24 according to the following categories:

- (1) Eight credits of seminars listed in Appended Table 1-(b);
- (2) At least 22 credits of special lectures or foreign literature research listed in Appended Table 1-(a) or (b); however, students must complete at least four credits from the special lectures listed in Appended Table 1-(b);
- 2 When students in the specialization Course of the Master's Program earn any credits from the subjects listed in Appended Table 1-(d), from subjects listed in Appended Table 3 or from subjects offered by other graduate schools within the University, those credits from those subjects may be counted towards the credit numbers stipulated in the main clause of Item 2 of the preceding paragraph, as provided for separately.
- 3 In the cases stipulated in Paragraph 1, when specifically approved by the Faculty Council, up to eight credits of the seminars listed in Appended Table 1-(b) (excluding those listed in Paragraph 1, Item 1) may be counted towards the credit numbers stipulated in the main clause of Paragraph 1, Item 2, as provided for separately.

(Master's Program Recurrent Course for Lawyers Completion Requirements)

Article 28 Students in the recurrent course for lawyers of the Master's Program must complete the credits stipulated in Article 24 according to the following categories:

- (1) Eight credits of seminars listed in Appended Table 1-(c);
- (2) At least 22 credits of foreign literature research listed in Appended Table 1-(a) or special lectures listed in (c);
- 2 When students in the recurrent course for lawyers of the Master's Program earn any credits from the subjects listed in Appended Table 3 those credits from those subjects may be counted towards the credit numbers stipulated in Item 2 of the preceding paragraph, as provided for separately.
- 3 In the cases stipulated in Paragraph 1, when specifically approved by the Faculty Council, up to eight credits of the seminars listed in Appended Table 1-(c) (excluding those listed in Paragraph 1, Item 1) may be counted towards the credit numbers stipulated in Paragraph 1, Item 2, as provided for separately.

(Professional Degree Program Completion Requirements)

Article 29 Students who have remained enrolled in the professional degree program for at least three years and who have earned at least 100 credits pursuant to the provisions of Appended Table 3 shall be deemed to have completed the program.

2 Professional degree program students may, if recognized by the Faculty Council as possessing a basic knowledge of law, be deemed to have completed up to one year of enrollment as approved by the Faculty Council for the purpose of the preceding paragraph and to have earned up to 34 credits, including those credits deemed to have been completed pursuant to the provisions of Articles 22 and 23, for the purpose of the preceding paragraph.

(Graduate Program Completion Requirements)

Article 30 Students who have remained enrolled in the Doctoral Program for at least three years (two years for persons who completed a program of a law school as stipulated in Article 18 Paragraph 1 of the Standards for the Establishment of Professional Graduate Schools) after the completion of a master's program, the Master's Program or the professional degree program, who have earned at least 20 credits in accordance with the following categories, and who have passed the doctoral dissertation screening and final examination having received the necessary research supervision shall be deemed to have

completed the graduate program. However, a student who has achieved exemplary research results may be permitted to graduate after one year of study in the Doctoral Program (or a total of three years for a student who has completed a master's program, the Master's Program or professional degree program within two years).

- (1) 16 credits of seminars listed in Appended Table 2-(a) for the researcher course or seminars listed in Appended Table 2-(b) for the advanced professional course;
- (2) At least four credits of special lectures and foreign literature research listed in Appended Table 2-(a) for the researcher Course or special lectures and foreign literature research listed in Appended Table 2-(a) or (b) for the advanced professional course.

(Conferral of Degrees)

Article 31 Master's degrees, doctoral degrees or professional degrees will be conferred on persons who have completed the respective programs.

2 When conferring the master's degrees or doctoral degrees listed in the preceding paragraph, the title of the field of study will be indicated as listed below:

Master/Doctor of Law or Political Science

Chapter 5: Study Abroad

(Study Abroad)

Article 32 In accordance with the stipulations in Article 22, Paragraph 1, students must obtain permission from the dean when they wish to study abroad at a foreign graduate school.

2 The period of study abroad set forth in the preceding paragraph will be included in the standard period of enrollment.

Chapter 6: Leave of Absence

(Leave of Absence)

Article 33 The period of a student's leave of absence shall be set at no more than one year; however, the dean may allow an extension of the period of leave of absence of up to one year if special circumstances are deemed to exist. The same shall apply to students who would like another extension upon the conclusion of said period of extension.

2 The cumulative leave of absence period may not exceed two years for Master's Program and professional degree program students or three years for Doctoral Program students.

Chapter 7: Research Students, Special Auditors, Special Research Students and Non-Degree Students

(Research Students)

Article 34 Matters pertaining to research students shall be stipulated separately.

(Special Auditors)

Article 35 Students from a graduate school at another university with whom the Graduate School has signed a cooperative agreement who wish to apply to the Graduate School as special auditors shall submit their requests to the dean via their graduate schools as provided for separately.

2 The intake period for a special auditor shall be the beginning of the semester in which the subject he or she wishes to take is being offered, and the period of auditorship shall be the period for which said subject is offered.

(Special Research Students)

Article 36 Students from a graduate school at another university with whom the Graduate School has signed a cooperative agreement who wish to apply to the Graduate School as special research students shall submit their requests to the dean via their graduate schools as provided for separately.

2 The research period of special research students shall be no longer than one year; however, the period may be extended when deemed necessary by the Faculty Council.

(Non-Degree Students)

Article 36-2 Matters pertaining to non-degree students shall be stipulated separately.

Chapter 8: Teacher's License

(Acquisition of Qualifications for Obtaining a Teacher's License)

Article 37 Persons who wish to acquire the qualifications for obtaining a teacher's license must earn the prescribed credits stipulated in the School Teacher's License Act (Act No. 147 of 1949) and the Ordinance for Enforcement of the School Teacher's License Act (Ministry of Education Ordinance No. 26 of 1954).

2 The types and subject areas of teacher's license for which qualifications can be obtained in the Graduate School are as listed in Appended Table 4.

Chapter 9: Auxiliary Provisions

(Auxiliary Provisions)

Article 38 In addition to the stipulations in these rules, the Faculty Council shall stipulate any necessary matters concerning the implementation of these Rules.

Supplementary Provisions

1 These rules come into effect on April 1, 2004.

- 2 With regard to persons enrolled upon enforcement of these rules, notwithstanding the revised provisions of the Kobe University Graduate School of Law Rules (hereinafter referred to as "the new rules"), the Kobe University Graduate School of Law Rules in force prior to their abolishment pursuant to the provisions of Article 2 of the Regulations on the Abolishment of the Kobe University General Provisions etc. (established on April 1, 2004) (hereinafter referred to as "the old rules") shall remain in effect; however, the provisions in the new rules concerning the Doctoral Program shall apply to students advancing to the Doctoral Program in or after the 2004 fiscal year.
- 3 Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 3 Paragraph 1 of the new rules, the department of economic law, the department of public relations law and the department of political sociology set forth in Article 2, Paragraph 1 of the old rules shall continue to exist for as long as any of the students enrolled in the Master's Program or the Doctoral Program of those departments as of March 31, 2004 remains enrolled.
- 4 Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 3 Paragraph 1 of the new rules, the department of private Law, the department of public law and the department of legal policy established pursuant to the provisions of the old rules shall continue to exist for as long as any of the students enrolled in the Master's Program or the Doctoral Program of those departments as of March 31, 2004 remains enrolled.

Supplementary Provisions (September 22, 2004)

These rules come into effect on October 1, 2004.

Supplementary Provisions (December 28, 2004)

These rules come into effect on December 28, 2004 and shall apply from October 1, 2004

Supplementary Provisions (February 15, 2005)

1 These rules come into effect on April 1, 2005.

2 With regard to persons enrolled in the professional degree program as of March 31, 2005 who are deemed to have completed one year of enrollment pursuant to the provisions of Article 29, Paragraph 2, the previous rules shall remain applicable, notwithstanding the revised provisions of Appended Table 3.

Supplementary Provisions (March 31, 2005)

These rules come into effect on April 1, 2005.

Supplementary Provisions (June 3, 2005)

These rules come into effect on June 3, 2005, but the stipulations in the revised Kobe University Graduate School of Law Rules shall apply from April 1, 2005.

Supplementary Provisions (January 23, 2006)

These rules come into effect on January 23, 2006, but the stipulations in the revised Kobe University Graduate School of Law Rules shall apply from December 1, 2005; however, the stipulations in the revised Article 5, Item 2 shall apply from October 1, 2005.

Supplementary Provisions (March 30, 2007)

These rules come into effect on April 1, 2007.

Supplementary Provisions (March 21, 2008)

- 1 These rules come into effect on March 21, 2008, but the stipulations in the revised Article 2, Paragraph 3 and Article 5, Items 2 and 8 shall apply from December 26, 2007.
- 2 With regard to persons enrolled in the first or second year of the professional degree program (excluding those persons who are deemed to have completed one year of enrollment pursuant to the provisions of Article 29, Paragraph 2) upon enforcement of these rules and persons who are deemed to have completed one year of enrollment as of April 1, 2008 pursuant to the provisions of Article 29, Paragraph 2, the pre-revised provisions of Articles 17, 18 and 21 shall apply.
- 3 With regard to persons enrolled in the second year (limited to those persons who are deemed to have completed one year of enrollment pursuant to the provisions of Article 29, Paragraph 2) or the third year of the professional degree program upon enforcement of these rules, the previous rules shall remain applicable.

Supplementary Provisions (May 19, 2008)

These rules come into effect on May 19, 2008, but the stipulations in the revised Kobe University Graduate School of Law Rules shall apply from April 1, 2008.

Supplementary Provisions (February 2, 2019)

- 1 These rules come into effect on April 1, 2009.
- 2 With regard to persons enrolled in the second year (limited to those persons who are deemed to have completed one year of enrollment pursuant to the provisions of Article 29, Paragraph 2) or the third year of the professional degree program upon enforcement of these rules, the previous rules shall remain applicable, regardless of the revised provisions of Appended Table 3 (excluding the part that adds Criminal Court Practicum).

Supplementary Provisions (February 9, 2010)

- 1 These rules come into effect on April 1, 2010.
- 2 With regard to persons currently enrolled (excluding those persons enrolled in the first year of the professional degree program who do not fall under the provisions of Article 29, Paragraph 2) upon enforcement of these rules, the previous rules shall remain applicable.

Supplementary Provisions (March 29, 2011)

- 1 These rules come into effect on April 1, 2011.
- 2 With regard to persons currently enrolled (excluding those persons enrolled in the first year of the professional degree program who do not fall under the provisions of Article 29, Paragraph 2 (hereinafter referred to as "inexperienced first-year students")) as of March 31, 2011, the previous rules shall remain applicable, notwithstanding the revised provisions of Articles 16 through 19, Article 21, Article 29 and Appended Tables 1 through 3 (excluding those sections pertaining to (c)).

- 2 With regard to inexperienced first-year students currently enrolled as of March 31, 2011, the previous rules shall remain applicable, notwithstanding the revised provisions of Articles 16 through 19, Article 21, Article 29 and Appended Table 1, Appended Table 2 and Appended Table 3 (excluding those sections pertaining to (c) and (d)).
- 4 When provisions of Article 29, Paragraph 2 apply to persons admitted to the professional degree program in fiscal 2011, the phrase "34 credits" in said paragraph shall be replaced with "30 credits". When provisions of Article 29, Paragraph 1 apply to persons who fall under the same paragraph (hereinafter referred to as "new experienced first-year students"), the phrase "98 credits" in said paragraph shall be replaced with "94 credits". When provisions of Appended Table 3 apply to new experienced first year students, the phrases "98 credits" and "34 credits" in said table shall be replaced with "94 credits" and "30 credits", respectively.

Supplementary Provisions (March 21, 2012)

- 1 These rules come into effect on April 1, 2012.
- 2 With regard to persons currently enrolled (excluding those persons enrolled in the first year of the professional degree program who do not fall under the provisions of Article 29, Paragraph 2) as of March 31, 2012, the previous rules shall remain applicable; however, this excludes the revised provisions of Articles 3-3, 3-4 and 33 and Appended Table 3-(c) (limited to the part that adds Chinese Law).

Supplementary Provisions (March 27, 2013)

- 1 These rules come into effect on April 1, 2013.
- 2 With regard to persons currently enrolled upon enforcement of these rules, the previous rules shall remain applicable.

Supplementary Provisions (March 26, 2014)

- 1 These rules come into effect on April 1, 2014.
- 2 With regard to persons currently enrolled (excluding those persons enrolled in the first year of the professional degree program who do not fall under the provisions of Article 29, Paragraph 2; hereinafter referred to as "enrolled students") as of March 31, 2014, the previous rules shall remain applicable, except for the revised provisions of Article 21-2; however, as provided for separately, enrolled students can enroll multiple times in a given semester in those subjects prefaced with "R&W Seminar" from among the applied and advanced subjects, basic law and related subjects, and practical foundation subjects in the prerevised Appended Table 3.