

Student Handbook

**Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences
Osaka University**

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Educational Program

■ Course duration and degrees awarded

The Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences offers a 5-year doctoral course in which a master's degree can be earned en route to the doctor's degree.

The following degrees are awarded to students who fulfill all the requirements:

Master of Science, Doctor of Philosophy

■ Requirements for completion and registration procedures

○ Students admitted to the 5-year doctoral course:

Students must take class subjects and acquire a total of 40 credits or more, as shown below.

- 1) Acquire a minimum of 2 credits from the core subjects in Group A, including 2 subjects and 1 credit from subjects designated as Advanced Liberal Arts Educational subjects (introductory courses from subjects offered in the spring semester), and 2 subjects and 1 credit from subjects designated as Advanced Global Literacy Educational subjects (introductory courses from subjects offered in the fall semester). However, for students who are undertaking their studies/research in English, Advanced Global Literacy Educational subjects can be read as Advanced Liberal Arts Educational subjects
- 2) Acquire a minimum of 12 credits from elective subjects in Group B.
- 3) Acquire a minimum of 16 credits combining core subjects in Group A and specialized subjects in Group B.
- 4) Acquire a minimum of 14 credits from the research subjects in Group C.
- 5) Acquire a minimum of 2 credits from project research subjects in Group D.
- 6) Acquire a minimum of 8 credits from the research subjects in Group E.

Subject Group		Year	Requirements			
Group A	Core Subjects	1	2 credits	Total 16 credits	30 credits *required for master's degree	40 credits
Group B	Elective Subjects	1-2	12 credits			
Group C	Research Subjects	1-2	14 credits			
Group D	Project Research Subjects	3-5	2 credits		10 credits	
Group E	Research Subjects	3-5	8 credits			

*Classes from other Osaka University graduate schools may be approved as Group A or Group B subjects.

However, you need to acquire at least 2 credits from Group A and 10 credits from Group B at FBS. Please contact the FBS Educational Affairs section < seimei-daigakuin@office.osaka-u.ac.jp> for details.

○ Third-year admission:

Students admitted into the third year (beginning of the doctor study) of the course will receive necessary research guidance. In addition, they must choose subjects from the list of subjects and earn credits in the manner below:

Subject Group		Year	Requirements	
Group D	Project Research Subjects	3-5	2 credits	10 credits
Group E	Research Subjects	3-5	8 credits	

Subject lists: <https://www.fbs.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/student/curriculum/>

Syllabus: https://koan.osaka-u.ac.jp/syllabus_ex/campus

Curriculum Overview

■Subject groups

(Years 1 and 2)

○For Group A core subjects:

Group A core subjects include lectures, practical experiments, and introductory research, most of which are taught in Japanese in the spring semester as Advanced Liberal Educational subjects. In fall, most lectures are conducted in English. To acquire a broad bioscience background, students are expected to select subjects in a discipline different from the one they previously studied as an undergraduate. The semester in which these lectures are held changes every school year, with the lecture of the same name being held in a different semester the following year. To complete, you must take two courses for one credit each in the Advanced Liberal Educational subjects and Advanced Global Literacy Educational subjects provided by the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences.

Note) You must obtain credits in the Advanced Liberal Educational subjects and Advanced Global Literacy Educational subjects provided by the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences, regardless of whether or not you have taken the Advanced Liberal Educational subjects and Advanced Global Literacy Educational subjects held by other programs.

○For Group B subjects

1. Elective subjects: The requirements for receiving credit include participation in journal clubs, research progress report sessions, and seminars, etc. held in the student's home lab, as well as the submission of seminar reports. (8 credits) For details, please refer to "Seminar Reports for Group B subject credits on page 3.

2. Biomechanics subjects: Discuss with the sub supervisor about your own research progress. During the second year, have a consultation with the sub supervisor about your thesis presentation before the Midterm Examination held at the end of that academic year. (2 credits) For details, please refer to Group B "Biomechanics" subject guidelines on page 5.

3. Intensive courses: Held in the fall and winter semester ("special intensive courses"). Each course lasts about two days. Note that the registration period for these subjects is in the fall/winter semester.

○For Group C research subjects

Group C research subjects consist of master's level research activities conducted in the home lab and elsewhere.

(Years 3 to 5)

*Passing the Midterm Examination (presentation of your master's thesis) is a prerequisite to begin third-year studies.

○Group D project research subjects (Lab Rotations)

Lab Rotations enable students to acquire a broad background of knowledge and experience in multiple disciplines by conducting research in labs other than their home lab.

○Group E research subjects

Group E research subjects consist of doctor's level research activities conducted in the home lab and elsewhere. These should be completed during the third, fourth, and/or fifth year.

■Research ethics

"Research Ethics" is an e-learning subject and itself is not a regular subject for credit. However, students admitted into the first year of the course must select this subject in order to satisfy the requirements for Group C credits. Students admitted into the third year must select this subject in order to satisfy Group E credit requirements. Be sure to take this subject in the spring semester. Details will be given to each laboratory at a later date. Please complete the necessary procedures for taking this subject at your laboratory. If you have any questions, please contact the General Affairs section of the Graduate School of Biosciences.

■Seminar Reports for Group B subject credits

Students must attend five seminars held on- or off-campus and submit a Seminar Report for each for partial credit in a Group B subject (This does not include participation in seminars held in one's home lab, etc.).

The intent behind this requirement is for students to learn about research disciplines other than their own. Accordingly, students are encouraged to be proactive in participating in a variety of seminars, which may take place on- or off-campus. Information regarding seminars will be posted on FBS' online BBS and on campus posters. In addition, there are many seminars given in English. Please consult with your supervisor about deciding which seminars to attend.

However, please note that although multiple seminars may be conducted in one day, only a maximum of three seminars per day may be used for Seminar Reports.

Submission Deadline: **Within 2 weeks** after the seminar and before the end of January. 5 reports must be submitted each year.

Submit to: Your supervisor (original) and the FBS Educational Affairs section (copy)

Notes:

- a. You will be required to submit 5 reports each year during your 1st and 2nd years.
- b. Please use the form on the next page. If you wish to submit more than one page, you may use your own style for any subsequent pages after the first.

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Date and Time:

Location:

Student Name: _____ Student ID No. _____

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■Group B “Biomechanics” subject guidelines

I. Philosophy

To have the opportunity to review different research themes and participate in discussions in a lab other than your own during the 1st and 2nd years.

II. Format

Discuss with your sub supervisor regarding your own research progress during your first year. In the second year, consult with your sub supervisor regarding your thesis presentation before the Midterm Examination held at the end of that academic year. (2 credits)

III. Period

Twice a year, at the beginning of the semester or at the end of the semester, following the decision of the sub supervisor (in August of the first year). If necessary, these subjects can be given an additional two more times individually.

IV. Evaluation

The student must first contact a sub supervisor for an interview. Bring the “Report of Group B Subject, Introduction to Frontier Biosciences” form to a sub supervisor. Sub supervisors must submit the completed form within two weeks.

■Group D project research (lab rotations)

I. Philosophy

To promote interdisciplinary research and arm students with different bioscientific perspectives, students spend set periods conducting research in a host lab other than their own during the start of their third year.

II. Format

Project Research will typically be of type A described below; however, type B is optional depending on the particular needs of each lab and individual student.

Type A: The student participates in research in a different lab, and credit is approved by the host academic staff.

1. Participation in regular daily research in a different lab

2. Participation in research activities such as seminars, colloquiums, journal clubs, etc. in a different lab

*Participation in daily research is for roughly two weeks in total.

*Participation in research activities is generally once per week for roughly eight weeks. Preferably, the student will also be given an opportunity to give a presentation.

Type B (other): Approval of credits by the student's supervisor.

Credits may be approved by the supervisor if they agree that the student in question has participated in research in a different lab.

Acceptable examples:

1. Participation in a practical experimentation course or short-term intensive course in Japan or overseas
2. Lectures or journal clubs led by non-Japanese academic staff
 - a. Special intensive courses taught by non-Japanese academic staff
*The student, who has already taken a special intensive course taught by a non-Japanese academic staff member, takes a different intensive course by a non-Japanese academic staff member.
 - b. Journal clubs led by non-Japanese academic staff
*A non-Japanese academic staff member not conducting a special intensive course leads a journal club at the student's request, and the student participates in the said journal club (course).
 - c. Other
3. Research participation in a lab in Japan or overseas
4. Internship at a company

III. Period

Preferably, Project Research is to begin early in April during the third year, though the schedule of each lab will be considered.

IV. Student limit

Each lab may simultaneously admit a maximum of five students. However, circumstances at each host lab will be considered.

V. Host lab selection

Host labs are to be chosen individually through consultations between the student and host lab's academic staff. The student's supervisor should also be consulted.

■ Research Plan

Students at the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences shall, along with their supervisor(s), draft a Research Plan and Research Instruction Report to be submitted to FBS Educational Affairs by the end of the year. Details will be sent at a later date. For new students, please begin drafting this plan after your supervisor has been finalized. This will apply to all regular students in the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences starting in 2021.

Agreement regarding a Research Plan for the Doctorate Program of Frontier Biosciences, Osaka University

October 5, 2020

Approval from the Academic Affairs Committee

October 14, 2020

Approval from the Research Division Committee

Pursuant to the provision of the Graduate School Regulations, Article 5-4 Paragraph 1, the drafting of a Research Plan (hereafter referred to as the “Plan”) which clarifies the guidance method and content for postgraduate students at the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences shall be determined as follows:

- 1 The Plan shall be drafted by a specified date every year.
- 2 The student and supervisor shall draft the Plan together according to the procedures below:
 - (i) Sufficient discussions between student and supervisor shall be conducted to create a Plan and Research Instruction Report.
 - (ii) The supervisor is to explain the Plan to the student, and both are to devise appropriate ways for both supervisor and the student to refer back to it.
- 3 The supervisor shall revise the Plan as required and endeavor to improve its effectiveness.
- 4 The Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences reserves the right to hold a hearing to ask the supervisor about the results of the Plan.
- 5 Students of the Doctorate Program shall submit the drafted Plan to FBS Educational Affairs at the end of the academic year.
- 6 Plans submitted to FBS Educational Affairs shall be kept on record for 5 years.
- 7 The Academic Affairs Committee shall reserve the right to determine any other requirements not mentioned in this Agreement if the need arises.

List of faculty in FBS

1. Full-time / Specially appointed Faculties

(As of April 1, 2021)

Research Group	Name of faculty	Laboratory
Nanobiology Laboratories	Prof. Akihoiko ISHIJIMA Prof. Masahiro UEDA Prof. Toshio YANAGIDA* Prof. Yoshichika YOSHIOKA*	Laboratory of Nano Biophysics Laboratory of Single Molecule Biology
Biomolecular Networks Laboratories	Prof. Yasushi HIRAOKA Prof. Seiji TAKASHIMA Prof. Tatsuro FUKAGAWA Prof. Makoto TACHIBANA Prof. Tetsurou HIROSE A. Prof. Koji OKAMOTO	Nuclear Dynamics Grop Department of Medical Biochemistry Laboratory of Chromosome Biology Laboratory of Epigenome Dynamics RNA Biofunction Laboratory Laboratory of Mitochondrial Dynamics
Integrated Biology Laboratories	Prof. Toru NAKANO* Prof. Takeshi YAGI* Prof. Shigeru KONDO* Prof. Tamotsu YOSHIMORI* Prof. Toshie KAI	Laboratory of Stem Cell Pathology kokoro-Biology Group Laboratory of Pattern Formation Laboratory of Intracellular Membrane Dynamics Laboratory of Germline Biology Group
Organismal Biosystems Laboratories	Prof. Masaru ISHII Prof. Hiroshi SASAKI Prof. Takashi NAGASAWA	Laboratory of Immunology and Cell Biology Laboratory for Embryogenesis Laboratory of Stem Cell Biology and developmental Immunology
Neuroscience Laboratories	Prof. Ichiro FUJITA* Prof. Shigeru KITAZAWA Prof. Nobuhiko YAMAMOTO* Prof. Shinji NISHIMOTO Prof. Aya NAKAE*	Cognitive Neuroscience Group Dynamic Brain Network Laboratory Cellular and Molecular Neurobiology Group
Biophysical Dynamics Laboratories	Prof. Takashi KURAHASHI Prof. Yasushi INOUE Prof. Shinichi KIMURA	Nano Physiology & Neuroscience Nano Biophotonics Group Photophysics Laboratory
Biomedical Engineering Laboratories (affiliates)	Prof. Nobuyuki TAKAKURA Prof. Eiji HARA Prof. Atsushi NAKAGAWA* Prof. Shunichi KURODA	Department of Signal Transduction Department of Molecular Microbiology Laboratory of Supra Molecular Crystallography Department of Biomolecular Science and Reaction

2. Adjunct Faculties

Organization	Name of Faculty	Laboratory
Graduate School of Human Sciences	Prof. Yasunobu YASOSHIMA	Behavioral Physiology
Graduate School of Science	Prof. Takahide KON Prof. Kenji MATSUNO* Prof. Katsumi IMADA	Laboratory of Molecular Genetics Laboratory of Cell Biology Department of Macromolecular Structure
Graduate School of Medicine	Prof. Akihiro HARADA Prof. Toshihide YAMASHITA Prof. Yasuhi OKAMURA* Prof. Yoshikatsu KANAI* Prof. Kazuyo MORO Prof. Yukio KAWAHARA Prof. Iishiro SHIMOMURA	Department of Cell Biology Department of Molecular Neurosciences Integrative Physiology Bio-system Pharmacology Laboratory for Innate Immune Systems RNA Biology & Neuroscience Metabolic Medicine, Department of Internal Medicine
Graduate School of Dentistry	Prof. Kenji NODA	Center for Frontier Oral Science/Molecular Medicine
Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Science	Prof. Tsuyoshi INOUE	Structure and Function Analysis of Biomolecules
Graduate School of Engineering Science	Prof. Shinji SAKAI	Biochemical Materials Engineering Science
United Graduate School of Child Development	Prof. Makoto SATO*	Department of Anatomy and Neuroscience
RIMD (Research Institute for Microbial Diseases)	Prof. Yasuhiko HORIGUCHI* Prof. Masahiro YAMAMOTO Prof. Sho YAMASAKI Prof. Hiroaki MIKI Prof. Tohru ISHITANI Prof. Tetsuya IIDA Prof. Shiroh IWANAGA Prof. Takeshi KOBAYASHI Prof. Yusuke MAEDA* Prof. Tarou KINOSHITA*	Department of Molecular Bacteriology Immunoparasitology Molecular Immunology Department of Cellular regulation Department of Cellular and Molecular Biology Department of Infection Metagenomics Department of Molecular Protozoology Department of Virology Laboratory of Viral Dynamism Research Endowed Chair Yabumoto Department of Intractable Disease Research
The Institute of Scientific and Industrial research	Prof. Kenji NAGAI Prof. Masaki TANIGUCHI	Department of Biomolecular Science and Engineering Department of Bio-Nanotechnology

Organization	Name of Faculty	Laboratory
Institute for Protein Research	Prof. Juinichi TAKAGI Prof. Takayuki KATO Prof.Takahisa FURUKAWA Prof. Takatoshi HIKIDA	Laboratory of Protein Synthesis and Expression Laboratory of CryoEM Structural Biology Laboratory of molecular and Developmental Biology Laboratory for Advanced Brain Functions
IFReC (Immunology Research Frontier Center)	SA Prof. Shizuo AKIRA SA Prof. Tadamitu KISHIMOTO* SA Prof. Shimon SAKAGUCHI* SA Prof. Tomohiro KUROSAKI* SA Prof. Shigekazu NAGATA* Prof. Kazuhiro SUZUKI*	Laboratory of Host Defense Laboratory of Immune Regulation Laboratory of Experimental Immunology Laboratory of Lymphocyte Differentiation Laboratory of Biochemistry & Immunology Laboratory of Immune Response Dynamics
CEALAS (Center for educationin Liberal Arts and Science)	SD Prof. Satoshi SHIMEGI	Laboratory of Brain Information Science in Sports
Institute for Advanced Co-Creation Studies	Prof. Keiichiro SUZUKI* Prof. Toru OKAMOTO	Genome engineering / Genome editing Division of Infectious Disease

3. Cooperation Program, Non-Resident Professors, Visiting Professors, Guest Professors

Organization	Name of faculty	Research Field
National Institutes of Biomedical Innovation, Health and Nutrition (NIBIOHN)	Guest Prof. Kenji MIZUGUCHI	Protein Function and Bioinformatics
RIKEN Center for Biosystems Dynamics Research (BDR)	Guest Prof. Makoto TAJI Guest Prof. Yasushi OKADA	Systems Science of Biological Dynamics
RIKEN Center for Biosystems Dynamics Research (BDR)	Guest Prof.Hiroshi HAMADA Guest Prof. Yu-Chiun Wang	Developmental Biology
Center for Information and Neural Networks (CiNet)	Guest Prof. Takafumi SUZUKI Guest Prof. Masahiko Haruno	Brain-machine Interface Technology Computational Social Neuroscience

* Faculty members marked with an asterisk (*) are scheduled to retire or reach the end of their employment period within five years from the time of enrollment. You may not be able to receive continuous guidance from the time you enter FBS until you complete your studies. Please be sure to contact directly to each faculty member. In addition, if you wish to be assigned to the cooperation program, please contact directly.

Laboratory Placement

■ Tentative Home Lab Placement (until July)

Students must choose a home lab by the end of July. Those who have not decided on a home lab are advised to visit labs they are interested in as soon as possible as some labs may not be able to accept students due to capacity.

■ Permanent Home Lab Placement (after July)

After July, students need to register their supervisor and sub supervisor by submitting a Supervisor/Sub supervisor Registration Sheet (below). Those who would like to continue their graduate study in the same lab will have a priority over students seeking to transfer from a different lab. If you wish to change your lab, you must reach agreement both with the previous supervisor and prospective one.

■ Sub supervisors

In addition to your supervisor, who provides research instruction, a sub supervisor is assigned to each student. Sub supervisors are expected to give additional advice. Students who enrolled after the 2018 academic year must register Biomechanics I (first year) and Biomechanics II (second year) from Group B subjects (see page 12).

Students are encouraged to consult with their supervisor for help in choosing their sub supervisor.

Supervisor / Sub-supervisor Registration Sheet

DATE :

研 究 科 Graduate School	生命機能研究科 Frontier Biosciences	学籍番号	3	2	A	2	0				
連 絡 先 Lab Phone Number	内線 Ext.	学生氏名 Name									

本配属指導教員名 Name of Supervisor		
副指導教員名 Name of Sub-Supervisor	First choice	
	Second choice	

Note: Agreements regarding Sub supervisors

1. The Sub supervisor can supervise a student, on behalf of the supervisor, with the approval of the Educational Affairs Committee.
2. For students whose supervisor is a visiting academic staff member from a partner graduate school,

a professor from one of FBS' core laboratories (Nanobiology Laboratories, Biomolecular Networks Laboratories, Integrated Biology Laboratories, Organismal Biosystems Laboratories, Neuroscience Laboratories, Biophysical Dynamics Laboratories) should be chosen as the sub supervisor.

3. Sub supervisors do not necessarily have to be a professor. Associate professors can also be a sub supervisor. It is strongly encouraged to choose a sub supervisor whose discipline of research is different from that of your own.
4. As a general rule, sub supervisors oversee four students a year. Some sub supervisors may be in charge of more students under a decision following a Faculty Meeting.
5. Sub supervisors are in charge of guidance and training of subject Biomechanics I (first year) and Biomechanics II (second year). At the end of academic year, sub supervisors must give a grade evaluation to each student under their supervision.

Degree Conferral

■ Master's Degree conferral

The Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences ("FBS") awards master's degrees upon the fulfillment of requirements corresponding to the completion of a course equivalent to a master's course. During the second year of the 5-year doctorate course, a Midterm Examination is held, in which the master's thesis is submitted and presented. A master's degree is conferred based on the successful defense of that thesis. Refer to the "Requirements for Completion and Registration Procedure" for the eligibility requirements. The policies regarding the Midterm Examination are listed below:

FBS Policies Regarding the Midterm Examination

(With approval from the Academic Affairs Committee, 24 Feb 2003)

(Revised 23 Oct 2019)

(Implementation)

- (1) Students must undergo a Midterm Examination ("Midterm Exam") as part of the requirements for completion of the doctorate course.
- (2) As a rule, the Midterm Exam shall be conducted at the end of the fall semester of the second year. Students who do not take a Midterm Exam during this time shall do so at the end of the second semester of the third year or later, depending on the judgment of the student's supervisor. However, those approved for special consideration in light of studying abroad, medical reasons, or other extenuating circumstances, may take the Midterm Exam on a day arranged by the Student Affairs Committee.
- (3) Students who wish to undergo a Midterm Exam must submit a master's thesis.
- (4) A Midterm Exam shall be implemented based on the standards of a master's thesis defense.
- (5) Students who have passed their Midterm Exam will be conferred a master's degree and will be qualified to submit a doctor's thesis upon completion of both the "D group subjects" and "E Group subjects" from the subjects available for selection.
- (6) Conditions to apply for a Midterm Exam are as follows:
 - I. Those who wish to apply for a Midterm Exam must have been enrolled in the doctoral program of the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences for at least two years, must do so at the end of the year, and must have a good academic standing to earn the required credits. Should the applicant's required credits be insufficient, they will be required to repeat the year even if they pass the thesis evaluation for their Midterm Exam, and will only be able to obtain a degree after they have earned the required credits the following year.
 - II. The date to apply for a Midterm Exam shall be determined separately by the Dissertation Committee.
- (7) When students who already hold a master's or doctor's degree are enrolled in the first year of the course, they shall also undergo a Midterm Exam as mentioned above.
- (8) Those admitted into the third year of the course shall be exempt from a Midterm Exam.
- (9) Those who fail a Midterm Exam will not be able to move on to the third year and shall repeat the second year.
- (10) The same year may not be repeated more than three times.
- (11) Questions that may arise regarding other policies concerning Midterm Exams shall be deliberated upon by the Student Affairs Committee and resolved through a Faculty Meeting.

Midterm Examination timetable

Mid July	Announcement of the Midterm Exam
Early Jan	Deadline for the submission of your “Thesis Title Sheet,” “Diploma Confirmation Sheet,” and “Thesis abstract.”
Mid Feb	Deadline for the submission of your thesis for the Midterm Examination
Early March	Approval of Degree (Conferment)
Mid-March	Deadline for submission of the final version of your thesis

*This is a reference. Details will be sent from the FBS Educational Affairs section at a later date.

Note when taking the Midterm Examination:

Students must be “on track” by completing the required 30 credits to undergo a Midterm Exam. FBS regulations hold that, even if the student passes the defense of their master’s thesis, the pass or fail decision in a Midterm Exam, normally made at the beginning of March, shall be put on hold if the requisite 30 credits have not been completed.

If the decision is put on hold, conferral of the master’s degree will occur during the next school year once the credit requirements are met. In this case, the student must be enrolled at FBS for October and thereafter. However, such students will not be allowed to take subjects designed for the third and later years of the course, i.e., Group D and Group E subjects. Students who plan to withdraw after receiving their master’s degree in the second year should keep this rule in mind.

Dissertation Committee Members

Two or more professors (the supervisor as a primary examiner, plus sub examiner[s]) from FBS shall constitute the Dissertation Committee that reviews the master’s thesis presentation. If necessary, an associate professor or academic staff member not affiliated with FBS may serve as a second sub examiner.

Necessary Documents

Documents	Submit to	Note
Thesis Title Sheet	Educational Affairs	Sub examiners must be appointed by your supervisor and their consent must be obtained.
Diploma Confirmation Sheet	Educational Affairs	
Abstract	Educational Affairs	One page of A4 size paper.
Thesis	Primary & Sub examiner Educational Affairs	There is no specific thesis format and no limit to the number of pages.

■ Doctor’s Degree conferral

The Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences’ requirements to apply for a doctor’s degree, as well as the dissertation defense procedures, are as described below.

Doctor's Degree Application Requirements and Dissertation Defense Procedure

(Established 1 Oct 2004)

(Corrected 10 Feb 2016)

To receive a doctor's degree, students must study for the prescribed length of time, complete the required number of credits or be on track to do so, receive research instruction, and meet the doctor's degree application requirements set by FBS.

The eligibility requirements and review procedures for the Ph.D. degree application shall be as follows:

After receiving an approval from their supervisor (professor), students may apply for the doctor's degree.

Procedure

There are two steps to the dissertation defense process: a Preliminary Defense and a Dissertation Defense. After completing the prescribed procedure and passing the Preliminary Defense, the student may undergo the Dissertation Defense.

1. Doctor's Degree Application

Students who fulfill the requirements for applying for the doctor's degree are to submit their Application for Degree (Preliminary Defense version) ("the Application"), along with their dissertation in temporary binding to the Doctor's Degree Qualifications Committee (DQC). The Application consists of a) the Dissertation Title Form, b) Recommendation form for Preliminary Defense Committee member (Chair, Vice-Chair) candidates, c) a summary of the dissertation, and d) a recommendation letter from the student's supervisor.

Review of the Application

After reviewing the Application and the dissertation, the DQC determines the PDC members. The PDC members shall be academic staff members who are closely related to the specialized field of the applicant ("candidate"). They shall convene the Preliminary Defense Session and PDC Meetings.

The PDC members must be formed by three members including at least 2 professors of FBS (professors or associate professors). The Chair must be a professor of an FBS core laboratory. Each Dissertation Committee shall have the discretion to include additional committee members from other graduate schools or other university research organizations (corresponding to a professor or associate professor). The student's supervisor may not be on the Preliminary Defense Committee.

2. Preliminary Defense Session

Students whose Applications have been approved are allowed to undergo a Preliminary Defense. This is a private session in which the candidate presents their dissertation to the PDC members and responds to their questions. It shall be held at least one week before the Dissertation Defense Session. The candidate shall make arrangements in consultation with all PDC members as to the location and schedule of the session, while considering that it will possibly be held two or more times.

PDC Meetings

After the above session, the dissertation shall be reviewed in PDC meetings. The opinions of supervisors and related parties may be requested as needed at these meetings. The PDC may also decide in its meetings to postpone the review in order to hold further Preliminary Defense Sessions and PDC meetings.

In PDC meetings, the candidate's dissertation and his or her research abilities are reviewed. While

making the pass or fail decision, due consideration shall be given to the fact that the candidate is the first author of the dissertation under review.

3. Dissertation Defense Session

Students who pass the Preliminary Defense participate in the Dissertation Defense Session, which is open to the public. Such students must submit the prescribed Application for Degree documents (Dissertation Defense documents) to the Dean via the FBS Educational Affairs section. After this session, the Dissertation Committee meets and reviews the dissertation.

Dissertation Committee

Three or more professors of FBS shall constitute the Dissertation Committee, which shall conduct the Dissertation Defense. The committee Chair shall be the candidate's supervisor (professor). In principle, the Vice-Chair shall be appointed from among the PDC members.

Typically, the Dissertation Defense Session is held in July or August. However, the DQC may elect to hold the session during a different month based on the date the Preliminary Defense is passed. A total of twenty minutes shall be allotted to each candidate—10 minutes to present the dissertation and 10 minutes for the question and answer session.

4. About the Dissertation

The Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences has established the following criteria regarding the content and format of dissertations:

- (1) The dissertation must be single, independent work by the candidate who is the sole author of the dissertation. →Please do NOT use “we” but “I” in the dissertation.
- (2) The dissertation must have sufficient academic value and a high degree of originality in its content.
- (3) It must include a section (chapter) that would enable researchers in other fields to understand the background, purpose, relevance in its field, significance, and originality of the research.
- (4) It may include content from other papers previously presented by the candidate, but it should be written as a single, integrated work.
- (5) It may be written in English or Japanese (English is preferred).
- (6) Those whose dissertations are in Japanese shall attach an English abstract written approximately 200 to 300 words, to be attached immediately after the cover and before the Japanese version of the abstract.
- (7) In addition to satisfying the above criteria, the dissertation shall consist of the following parts:
 - ① front cover (title, author name, and month and year of completion),
 - ② summary
 - ③ table of contents
 - ④ body
 - ⑤ list of the author's previous academic accomplishments (papers presented, conference presentations, etc.; if the candidate is a co-author, then the candidate's main contribution must be clearly explained)

Moreover, the dissertation shall be printed on A4-sized paper and bound.

5. Other

(1) Candidates will be notified separately as to the necessary number of copies of both their Application for Degree documents and dissertation, etc. as well as the period for the submission of these items.

(2) Those who fulfilled the requirements for completion (years and credits) are able to apply for the doctor's degree within 3 years after withdrawal from graduate school.

Period of Completion and Eligible applicants

Period of Completion	Eligible Applicants			Document Submission Deadline (preliminary defense)
	Accelerated Completion	Normal Completion	Extended Completion	
JUNE	×	×	○	19 March 2021 (Fri)
SEPTEMBER	○	○ ※	○	18 June 2021 (Fri)
DECEMBER	×	×	○	17 Sep 2021 (Fri)
MARCH	○	○	○	4 Jan 2022 (Tue)
Notes	A separate qualifying review is needed beforehand. Refer to the separate notification.	*Only students admitted as a third-year student (October admission) are eligible for the September period.	Applicants who have exceeded the normal 5-year (3 years for third-year admitted students) completion term. Includes those applying within 3 years after earning their required credits and withdrawing from the school.	*Refer to the separate “Doctor’s Degree Application Requirements and Dissertation Defense Procedure” for details. *Refer to the separate “Dissertation Defense Schedule” for schedule details.

Overall Process to the Doctor’s Degree Conferral

▼ Consultation prior to the Preliminary Defense (this should be held in the 5th year of a PhD course)



▼ Submission of documents related to the preliminary defense



▼ Endorsement from the Preliminary Defense Committee and notification to the applicant



▼ Plagiarism check (supervisor)



▼ The Preliminary Defense (30-minute dissertation presentation and 30-minute Q&A)



▼ Submission of Documents related to the Dissertation Defense



▼ Dissertation Defense (a public 10-minute presentation and 10-minute Q&A)



▼ Decision on the Degree Conferral



▼ Degree Conferral

■ Consultations prior to the Preliminary Defense

In July (December if enrolled in October), all students who have advanced to the 5th year must have consultations prior to the Preliminary Defense of their PhD. Please consult with your supervisor to select three candidates (one Chair and two Vice-Chairs) from faculty members to conduct consultations and submit the specified form to FBS Educational Affairs. The Vice-Chairs must be professors of the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences, and the Chair needs to be a faculty member from one of the core laboratories of the

Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences. Supervisors and faculty members belonging to the same laboratory cannot be consultants. Each consultant can decide whether professors or associate professors from other Osaka University graduate schools or other universities can be added as additional members.

The candidates for consultations prior to the preliminary Defense of a PhD will be determined after applications are deliberated upon by the Student Affairs Committee. These three faculty members will be the Chair and Vice-Chairs for the preliminary Defense of a PhD. Details will be given separately.

■ Documents to be submitted

*The documents to be submitted are subject to change. Please check the FBS website or further notices for additional information.

Preliminary defense (Download format from the FBS message board):

- 1 Application for degree (preliminary defense) (Form-1-①)
- 2 Recommendation form for Preliminary Defense Committee member (Form 1-②)
- 3 List of Thesis (Form 2)
- 4 Summary (Form 3)
- 5 Resume (Form 4)
- 6 Recommendation for the preliminary defense from supervisor
- 7 Record of the applicant's research achievements
- 8 Approval Letter from co-first Author

*As a rule, if the paper serving as the basis for the dissertation has equal contribution authors, you must obtain approval from each. Approval in the form of an email will suffice as a substitute if they are located far away, such as outside the country. Follow your supervisor's advice if you cannot reach them.

- 9 Name Form to be written on your transcripts in English
- 10 Doctoral Thesis (preliminary version)
- 11 Doctoral Thesis's Internet Publication Confirmation (Form 10)
- 12 Checklist
- 13 A printed report of plagiarism check by iThenticate
- 14 Pledge

Forms to submit after the preliminary defense:

1. Result Report
2. Result Summary and Responsible Parties
3. Recommendation of Chair/Vice-Chair Candidates for the Dissertation Defense

Forms to submit after the final defense (details will be given to successful applicants):

1. Result Report
2. Dissertation Table of Contents
3. Summary of the Dissertation

Note: Please contact FBS Educational Affairs for details.

In cases when the online publication of the doctoral dissertation (full text) has been put on hold, the degree recipient must confirm the publisher's copyright policy after being published or released in academic journals or after the patent application content becomes public. Please promptly submit a report to the FBS

Educational Affairs section using the Doctoral Thesis's Internet Publication Suspension Form (University's Institutional Repository) Form 11.

Payment of tuition fees

1. Tuition fees must be paid by the prescribed due date (by the end of May for the first semester; by the end of November for the second semester). Osaka University uses a convenient system, the “Tuition Fee Automatic Debit System,” by which tuition fees are automatically deducted from the student’s bank account. Cash or money orders are not acceptable.
2. If the tuition fee is not paid by the prescribed due date, a collection letter will be sent to the student and their guardian. *If a reasonable period passes without the tuition fee being paid after the collection letter has been sent, the student will be expelled from the university (Failure to pay the tuition fee in full by the end of the school year will result in automatic expulsion).
3. The university has an exemption system in place to help students who have difficulty paying tuition fees. Please refer to the section entitled, “Exemption of enrollment / tuition fee.”
4. If the student decides to take a leave of absence before a semester begins, the tuition fee for that semester will be waived. However, the tuition fee for that semester will be charged if the student decides to take a leave of absence after the semester begins (See 5 for monthly tuition fees).
5. It is possible to pay tuition fees for only those months of a semester that the student is enrolled before withdrawing or taking a leave of absence. However, for this to apply, the student must complete the paperwork for the withdrawal or leave of absence first, then pay the applicable tuition fee by the end of April for the spring semester and by the end of October for the fall semester.

Exemption of enrollment / tuition fees

Osaka University has maintained the Exemption/Deferred Payment of Enrollment Fee and Exemption/Deferred/Installment Payment of Tuition Fee Program (hereinafter the “Enrollment/Tuition Fee Exemption Program”) to support regular undergraduate and graduate students who have difficulty in paying these fees due to the death of their legal guardians responsible for paying their education expenses, suffering by natural disasters, or other economic reasons. Before applying, please see the eligibility and application guidelines noted on our website (link below).

In order to apply for an exemption from and/or deferment of enrollment fees, applicants must submit the Application Form for Expected Exemption From and/or Deferment of Enrollment Fees for Admission at the time of admission.

A student who has already paid their enrollment fee, however, is not eligible for the enrollment fee exemption.

In addition, students who apply for a tuition fee exemption must submit an application that corresponds with tuition fee payments for each half (first half: April to September, second half: October to March) of each academic year. (However, it is possible for students to apply for a full year tuition exemption (which combines applications for both first and second half tuition exemption) when applying for a tuition exemption for the first half of the year.)

<https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/student/tuition/remission/index.html>

For more information, contact the Suita Student Center, Tel. 06-6879-7088/7089

Classes

■Registration procedures, etc.

(1) Registration

Please refer to the Course List for subjects offered at the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences.

Also, please register while receiving instructions from your supervisor.

(2) How to register

Registration for subjects is done through KOAN (see (4) below), Osaka University's Student Affairs Information System. The registration period is usually about 3 weeks so do not forget to register during the registration period. Details will be posted on the FBS bulletin board on the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences' website.

(3) Note when registering:

Double-check the schedule of classes as subjects with overlapping class times cannot be studied.

Keep in mind that you also need to register for subjects held in labs such as those from Groups B–E.

(4) About KOAN (Knowledge of Osaka University Academic Nucleus)

KOAN can be accessed from both on- and off-campus. You need your Osaka University Personal ID given at the time of admission to log in.

A guide to using KOAN is available on the “マイ ハンダイ” website.

マイ ハンダイ: <https://my.osaka-u.ac.jp> *the top page is in Japanese only

(5) Regarding the completion of class subjects in graduate schools overseas

Those currently studying at the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences and completing class subjects while studying in a graduate school overseas are required to complete the designated procedures and obtain approval from the dean before leaving to study abroad. Credits earned at an overseas graduate school can be obtained upon approval following a faculty meeting, and up to 10 credits can be counted toward the required credits to complete the course.

Notes:

(1) Subjects taken at the graduate school overseas by those who have completed formal study abroad procedures will be judged for the recognition of those subjects and credits based on the certification of completion issued by the overseas graduate school.

(2) The certificate of completion shall include all class subjects, number of credits, evaluation (along with standards for evaluation), class period (start and end) and total class hours issued by the graduate school overseas, as well as be certified by the dean of the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences.

■ Class schedule

The latest class schedule can be found under “Curriculum Details” on the FBS website, and the class syllabus is linked to the syllabus on KOAN from the same Curriculum Details page (Home>Current Students>Curriculum Details).

Period	Time	Period	Time
1	8:50~10:20	4	15:10~16:40
2	10:30~12:00	5	16:50~17:50
3	13:30~15:00	6	18:30~20:00

■ Cancellation of classes due to weather warnings, disasters, and suspension of public transportation

*Cancellations do not apply to online classes, including regular examinations. Online classes will be held even when weather warnings are announced.

- However, if an event occurs that makes online classes difficult to be held, classes may be suspended. We will notify you via KOAN or by other means if that happens.

- If an Emergency Warning is issued near your place of residence or route to the university, or if an earthquake of seismic intensity of upper-5 (震度 5 強) or more occurs which requires you to evacuate or prepare to evacuate, rendering you unable to attend online classes, please inform the office in charge of Educational Affairs at the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences to allow us to take appropriate measures to ensure that you will not be disadvantaged in your curriculum.

(1) Cancellation of classes after issuance of weather warnings

If a “Storm Warning (暴風警報)” or an “Emergency Warning* (特別警報)” is issued for the region including Toyonaka, Suita, Ibaraki, and Minoh cities, classes will be cancelled. If either of these warnings are issued during a class, this class will not be cancelled; however, all following classes will be cancelled.

*Classes will be cancelled if any type of Emergency Warning (特別警報) is issued.

(2) Cancellation of classes due to the suspension of public transportation

If the service of one or more of the following lines of public transportation has been suspended (including partial suspension) due to a disaster, natural or man-made, classes held on the campus(es) affected by this suspension will be cancelled.

Toyonaka Campus	Hankyu Railway (Takarazuka Line: Osaka Umeda – Takarazuka) or Osaka Monorail (all lines)
Suita Campus	Hankyu Railway (Senri Line: Osaka Umeda/Tenjinbashi-ji-rokuchome – Kita-senri) or Osaka Monorail (all lines)
Minoh Campus	Osaka Metro (Midosuji Line, including Kita Hankyu Railway. Osaka Umeda – Senri Chuo or Osaka Monorail (all line)

However, classes will not be cancelled for the temporary suspension of bus services due to traffic accidents, etc.

(3) Regarding the lifting of weather warnings and/or resumption of public transportation service

If weather warnings are lifted or public transportation services have resumed, classes will be held according to the following chart:

If the warning is lifted or transportation service is resumed...	classes will be...
before 6 am	held all day
after 6 am but before 9 am	held in the afternoon
after 9 am or not at all	cancelled all day

*The United Graduate School of Child Development will directly contact related individuals regarding cancellation of classes via email.

*Confirmation of the lifting of weather warnings and/or resumption of public transportation services will be conducted via television, radio, and the internet.

(4) Cancellation of classes following an earthquake

If an earthquake with a strength of upper-5 on the Japanese intensity scale is recorded in the cities of Toyonaka, Suita, Ibaraki, and/or Minoh in Osaka Prefecture, classes for that day will be cancelled. If the earthquake is recorded at 5:15 pm or later, classes for the following day will also be cancelled.

In addition, if an earthquake with a strength of upper-5 is recorded outside of the areas listed above and/or if an earthquake with a strength of less than upper-5 is recorded in the areas listed above, the guidelines in section 2 regarding cancellation of classes due to suspension/stoppage of public transportation service will apply.

(5) Cancellation of classes due to an evacuation advisory/order

If an evacuation advisory/order is issued in the cities of Toyonaka, Suita, Ibaraki, and/or Minoh in Osaka Prefecture, classes may be cancelled in departments located in these areas. Follow the instructions provided by your department.

(6) Others

I. If a weather warning similar to the one in (1) above is issued, or if an earthquake similar to the one in (4) above occurs in your area of residence or on your route to school, or if public transportation is suspended other than what is mentioned above, or if you are absent from class due to other unavoidable circumstances, please notify the department offering the class or the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences. If you are absent due to unavoidable circumstances, such as an earthquake similar to the one in (4) above, or the cancellation of public transportation other than the one in (1) above, please notify the department offering the class and/or the FBS Educational Affairs section.

II. When weather warnings, suspensions of public transportation, evacuation advisories, etc. are predicted in advance, or when classes must be cancelled, the university will notify the students via the university website or KOAN.

■Contacting students

Students will receive notifications through the KOAN message board or the FBS website's message board. Please check these websites regularly. You can also access them from off campus.

Depending on the matter, students will be contacted individually via telephone or email. Please make sure your updated contact information is always registered on KOAN. You will be contacted at the email address (.....@ecs.osaka-u.ac.jp) given to you from Osaka University. If you cannot access this email account regularly, please set up a forwarding address to ensure that we have no trouble contacting you.

■Academic-related procedures

(1) Leaves of absence (required form: Request for Leave of Absence [KYUGAKU-NEGAI])

For illnesses or other reasons requiring the student to discontinue his or her studies for more than 3 months, a leave of absence may be granted with the Dean's approval.

*Regardless of the following deadlines, as a rule, procedures to request a leave of absence should be completed at least one month prior to the leave of absence.

I. Tuition Fees

Tuition fees during the leave of absence will vary depending on the timing of the request, since tuition fees are incurred on per-semester basis (first semester: May; second semester: November)

- a. Requests made by March/September: tuition for the months comprising the leave of absence is waived (monthly payments allowed)
- b. Requests made in April/October for leaves of absence starting May/November: Excluding the tuition fee for April/October, tuition fees for the months comprising the leave of absence is waived (monthly payments allowed)
- c. Requests made in May/November or later: the full tuition fee for that semester will be incurred by the student.

II. The period of absence (leave of absence)

- a. The period during which a leave of absence is taken shall not be considered into the calculation of the students' enrollment years.
- b. Leaves of absence may not exceed 5 years (3 years for students admitted into the third year of the course).

(2) Withdrawals

Students may terminate their studies at FBS to pursue employment opportunities (or other reasons) after receiving permission from the Dean.

As a rule, a request should be made, and permission to withdraw may be given at least one month before the planned date of withdrawal.

(3) Study Abroad (required forms: Study Abroad Form / Travel Abroad Registration System)

Students who wish to study abroad (as an exchange student) at a graduate school under an Inter-University/Faculty Student Exchange Agreement between the university and an overseas academic institution must receive permission from the Dean at least one month prior to the start of the study abroad course.

(4) Study Abroad (Private Study Abroad) (required forms: Request for Leave of Absence / Travel Abroad Registration System)

Students who wish to study abroad privately for language studies, etc. for three or more months may request a leave of absence to do so (Study Abroad on Leave)

(5) Graduate School Transfers (required form: Graduate School Transfer Request)

Students who wish to transfer to another Osaka University Graduate School during their period of enrollment at the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences (e.g., to a different Graduate School's doctor course after receiving their master's here) should make the request after checking with the Graduate School's office about requirements and application deadline.

If the student advances (is admitted into) to a different Graduate School by taking an entrance examination instead of the Graduate School entrance exam, he or she must pay the entrance examination fee and enrollment fee.

(6) Reentry after a leave of absence (required forms: Reentry Request / medical certificate [if applicable])

When the reason for the leave of absence has been resolved before the end of the period comprising the leave of absence and the student wishes to return to the university, a request should be approved by the end of the month before reentry.

If the leave was due to a doctor-approved medical reason, such as an illness, please submit a doctor's medical certificate along with the Reentry Request form.

*Tuition fees will be incurred at the start of the month upon reentry.

*The above procedure is not necessary if the reentry is after the completion of the leave of absence.

(7) Student name change or Change of Guarantor, etc. (required form: Notification of Transfer of Family Register (Name Change))

Please submit the forms above to change your school registration information (name as recorded in KOAN, etc.) if your name changes for any reason.

(8) Change of supervisor (required forms: Supervisor (Sub supervisor) Change Notification)

If, due to certain circumstances, you wish to change your home lab, etc., you may do so after receiving approval from the academic staff concerned.

(9) Change of Address

Students who change their mailing address or phone number, etc. need to promptly revise this information on KOAN via the "Student Address Registration" page. The contact address/phone number registered on this page is used to contact the student about tuition fee payments and other matters.

(10) Approval of study abroad credits (required forms: Request for Approval of Study Abroad Credits, transcript from the host university, syllabi or other materials explaining lecture content)

If you would like credits earned studying abroad to count toward the required completion credits at FBS, please submit the required forms immediately after you return. The transcript must show your name,

number of credit(s), grade(s) received (along with the grading scale), length of period studied (period start and end dates), and the total class hours for each subject. It must also have the official signature/seal of the head of the issuing graduate school.

Moreover, credits earned after the prescribed 10 credits will not count toward those required for course completion, but the subject(s) will be recorded in the school register.

★Forms

Contact the FBS Educational Affairs section

★Submit to

FBS Educational Affairs

■Student ID card

The student ID card is not only the proof of the student's enrollment at Osaka University but also an important tool for using the Automated Certificate Issuing Machines and to enter the library. Therefore, you should always keep it with you.

If the card becomes damaged or lost, apply for a new one at the Student Center immediately.

■Certificate issuance

(1) Issuance via Automatic Certificate Issuing Machines (ACIM)

Type of Certificate	Note
Enrollment Certificate	
Academic Transcript	
Diploma (undergraduate) / Completion Certificate (master's)	Osaka University alumni only
Student Discount Card (Student Passenger Fare Discount Card)	Limit 3 per day, 10 per year.
Health Certificate	This certificate cannot be issued to some students using this machine. Contact a campus health center for details.

Location and times ACIMs can be used

Campus	Location	Hours
SUITA	Suita Student Center 1st floor lobby	8:30 – 18:00
	Medical School 1st floor entrance	8:30 – 17:00
	School of Engineering U1M building	9:00 – 17:00
TOYONAKA	Toyonaka Student Center 2nd floor lobby	8:30 – 18:00
	Liberal Arts and Sciences Organization Building A 2nd Floor lobby	8:30 – 17:00

(2) Issuance by FBS Educational Affairs (<https://www.fbs.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/student/certificate/>)

If the certificate cannot be issued at an ACIM, please fill out and submit a certificate request form at the FBS Educational Affairs section. *If you live on a campus far from FBS Educational Affairs, a request

can be sent via email. In this case, the email must be sent through an OUmail (.....@ecs.osaka-u.ac.jp) address in order to verify your identity. Please also attach a scanned copy of your ID (Student ID, etc.).

Please allow for a reasonable turnaround time. Depending on the time of year and type of certificate, it may take a while to prepare, although general certificates are usually sent the following day.

(3) Certificate as a MEXT Student

Fill out and submit an Application for Certificate as a MEXT Student form at FBS Educational Affairs. It takes 7 days to be issued. The Application for Certificate as a MEXT Student form is available on the “Certificate” page of the FBS website.

■ Travel Abroad Registration System

In cases of overseas emergencies, such as terrorist attacks, natural disasters, or infectious disease outbreaks, Osaka University has a system to confirm the safety of OU students: the Travel Abroad Registration System.

Submit your travel information into the Overseas Travel Registration System when traveling for any reason.

- Overseas Travel Registration System: <http://osku.jp/m0783>
- [Registration instructions](#)

Health and Safety Matters

■Physical checkups

All students are required by the School Health Law and Osaka University Health Regulations to undergo periodic physical checkups. These are held every year for several days. Schedules, and other information, are posted on the FBS bulletin board toward the beginning of April and October.

Students can get a physical checkup at either the Health and Counseling Center (Toyonaka Main Center) or Suita Branch Center.

Please be sure to undergo a physical checkup, otherwise you will not be issued a Health Certificate, which is required for participating in teaching practice, hospital training, job-hunting activities, to receive scholarships, etc.

Health and Counseling Center: <https://hacc.osaka-u.ac.jp/ja/>

Note: The Health and Counseling Center's weekly schedule is also available on the Center's website.

■Accident insurance

Personal Accident Insurance for Students Pursuing Education and Research (PAS)

Personal Liability Insurance for Students is a nationwide system to indemnify students for the number of days that medical treatment is needed for injury incurred during regular curricular activities, extracurricular activities, or while commuting to or from the university. All students are required to participate in this insurance plan.

Students who have not yet bought the insurance and those who are repeating a year of school are required to pay the premium as soon as possible at a post office using the request form for tuition payment that is available at COOP offices on the Toyonaka, Suita, or Minoh campuses.

1. Duration of insurance

Admission	Duration of insurance
April	1 April to 31 March of the expected year of graduation
October	1 October to 30 September of the expected year of graduation

The duration of insurance for students who participate in this insurance plan from the middle of a semester starts on the day following the date of premium payment.

2. Additional coverage for commuting accidents

Graduate students

Students in the 1st year of a master's course cannot make a lump sum payment of insurance premiums for the 1st year of a master's course or the 2nd year of a doctor's course. Insurance premiums for the 2nd year of a doctor's course are to be paid after advancing to the course.

Graduate School	Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences
doctor's course (1 st year)	4,050 yen/5 years
doctor's course (2 nd year)	3,300 yen/4 years
doctor's course (3 rd year)	2,600 yen/3 years
doctor's course (4 th year)	1,750 yen/2 years
doctor's course (5 th year)	1,000 yen/1 year

3. Types and amounts of insurance

For more information, view the **Handbook for Enrollment of Personal Accident Insurance for Students Pursuing Education and Research**.

Type of indemnity	Types and amounts of insurance	Additional indemnity for hospitalization
During regular curricular activities or school events	Indemnity for loss of life: 20 million Insurance for disability: In relation to the degree of aftereffects: 120,000 yen - 30 million yen. Injury and/or disease requiring four or more days of actual medical treatment: 3,000 yen - 300,000 yen. Number of treatment days: 1 or more	4,000 yen/day (from day 1)
While commuting to and from school facilities	Indemnity for loss of life: 10 million yen. Insurance for disability: In relation to the degree of aftereffects: 600,000 yen - 15 million yen. Injury and/or disease requiring four or more days of actual medical treatment: 6,000 yen - 300,000 yen. Number of treatment days: 4 or more	4,000 yen/day (from day 1)
During extracurricular activities at or in school facilities During the time you are in school facilities	Indemnity for loss of life: 10 million yen. Insurance for disability: In relation to the degree of aftereffects: 160,000 yen - 15 million yen. Injury and/or disease requiring four or more days of actual medical treatment: 30,000 yen - 300,000 yen Number of treatment days: 14 or more	4,000 yen/day (from day 1)

- Accidents when engaged in an activity forbidden by the university are not covered by this insurance.
- Accidents while commuting to and from school facilities are covered as long as you observe [Bicycle and Transportation Regulations](#).
- Only extracurricular activities outside school facilities that you have informed the university of are covered by this insurance.
- Accidents during the time you are in a dormitory on campus are not covered by this insurance.

4. Procedures for insurance claims

Documents necessary for claiming insurance are available at the COOP offices on the Toyonaka, Suita, and Minoh campuses.

If an accident that may be covered by this insurance happens, contact the COOP office as soon as possible. Information regarding the date, location, and injury or disease must be communicated to the insurance company **within 30 days of the accident**. If this is not communicated within 30 days, the insurance company may not pay.

Please submit the insurance claim form to the COOP Office after treatment has finished.

5. Liability Insurance for Students Pursuing Education and Research (LSR)

Personal Liability Insurance for Students (Gakusei Kyoiku Kenkyu Baisho Sekinin Hoken [short form: "Gakkenbai"]) insures against personal liability claims in the case of injury to someone or damage to another person's property during regular curricular activities, school events, internships, nursing care recognized as an extracurricular activity, teaching practice, childcare practice, or volunteer activities as well as during commuting to and from the sites of such activities. (However, medical related training such as clinical practice or nursing practice are excluded from this coverage.) **This plan is applied to students who participate in Personal Accident Insurance for Students Pursuing Education and Research (PAS).** The premium is 340 yen per year (course A). Documents necessary for application and insurance claims are available at COOP offices on the Toyonaka, Suita, and Minoh campuses. OU students are only eligible to participate in course A.

Contact:

Toyonaka Campus

Insurance Section, General Affairs Division, Toyonaka COOP Office,
4F, Welfare Center, Toyonaka Campus

Suita Campus

Insurance Section, COOP Office, School of Engineering.
COOP Welfare Building in Engineering Faculty

Website

<https://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/guide/student/general/insurance.html>

English described below is a translation from the original and shall not be regarded as official documentation. The English text has been provided merely as a reference. Please note that any official rules are based solely on the Japanese text.

Osaka University Graduate School Regulations

Chapter 1: General Provisions

(Purpose, Aims, etc.)

Article 1

These regulations specify the requirements necessary for students to complete their studies, including the period of study and the content of the curriculum, at the Graduate Schools of Osaka University (hereinafter referred to as “University”).

2. The graduate program of the University shall aim to teach and research academic theories and applications and achieve a mastery of profound knowledge, as well as cultivate the in-depth knowledge and superior capabilities needed to engage in a vocation requiring a high degree of specialization, and contribute to the advancement of society.

3. The graduate program of the University shall determine and publicly announce the aims for educating individuals and other aims related to education and research for each graduate school and department/division/course.

(Programs and Standard Period of Study)

Article 2

The graduate program of the University shall be a doctoral degree program. However, the Graduate School of Letters and Graduate School of Medicine shall offer a master’s degree program and a doctoral degree program, and the Osaka University Law School shall offer a graduate law school program.

2. The standard period of study for the master’s degree program shall be two (2) years.

3. The standard period of study for the doctoral degree program shall be five (5) years. However, the standard period of study to complete the doctoral degree programs offered by the Division of Medicine at the Graduate School of Medicine, the Graduate School of Dentistry or the Course for Medical Pharmacy at the Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences (hereinafter referred to as “Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry or Pharmacy”) shall be four (4) years.

4. The doctoral degree program shall be divided into an initial two-year course (hereinafter referred to as “Master’s Course”) and a subsequent three-year advanced course (hereinafter referred to as “Doctoral Course”). However, this division shall not be established for the Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry or Pharmacy and the doctoral degree program in the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences.

5. The standard period of study for the Master's Course referred to in the preceding paragraph shall be two (2) years, and this shall be treated as equivalent to a master's degree program.

6. The standard period of study for the graduate law school program shall be three (3) years.

7. Notwithstanding the provisions stipulated in Paragraphs 3 and 4 above, the doctoral degree program for the United Graduate School of Child Development, Osaka University, Kanazawa University, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine, Chiba University and University of Fukui shall consist of a Doctoral Course only, and the standard period of study shall be three (3) years.

8. Pursuant to the provision of Article 10, for students who have received permission to complete the curriculum over an extended period of time (hereinafter referred to as a "Long-term Student") , the standard period of study shall be the period of time that was authorized.

(Graduate Schools, Departments/Divisions/Courses and Programs)

Article 3

The graduate schools, departments/divisions/courses and related programs at the Graduate Schools of the University shall be as listed in the table below.

Graduate School	Department/Division/Course	Type of Program
Letters	Studies on Cultural Forms, Studies on Cultural Expressions	Doctoral degree program
	Studies on Cultural Dynamics	Master's degree program
Human Sciences	Human Sciences	Doctoral degree program
Law and Politics	Law and Political Science	Doctoral degree program
Economics	Economics, Business and Management	Doctoral degree program
Science	Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biological Sciences, Macromolecular Science, Earth and Space Science	Doctoral degree program
Medicine	Medicine, Health Sciences	Doctoral degree program
	Medical Sciences	Master's degree program
Dentistry	Oral Science	Doctoral degree program
Pharmaceutical Sciences	Advanced Pharmaco-science, Medical Pharmacy	Doctoral degree program

Graduate School	Department/Division/Course	Type of Program
Engineering	Biotechnology, Applied Chemistry, Precision Engineering and Applied Physics, Mechanical Engineering, Materials and Manufacturing Science, Electrical, Electronic and Infocommunications Engineering, Sustainable Energy and Environmental Engineering, Global Architecture, Management of Industry and Technology	Doctoral degree program
Engineering Science	Materials Engineering Science, Mechanical Science and Bioengineering, Systems Innovation	Doctoral degree program
Language and Culture	Language and Culture, Language and Society, Japanese Language and Culture	Doctoral degree program
Osaka School of International Public Policy	International Public Policy, Comparative Public Policy	Doctoral degree program
Information Science and Technology	Pure and Applied Mathematics, Information and Physical Sciences, Computer Science, Information Systems Engineering, Information Networking, Multimedia Engineering, Bioinformatic Engineering	Doctoral degree program
Frontier Biosciences	Frontier Biosciences	Doctoral degree program
Osaka University Law School	Legal Practice	Graduate law school program
United Graduate School of Child Development, Osaka University, Kanazawa University, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine, Chiba University and University of Fukui	Child Development	Doctoral degree program

2. Osaka University Law School referred to in the preceding paragraph shall be a professional graduate school defined in Paragraph 2 of Article 99 of the School Education Law (Act No. 26, 1947).

(Purpose of Courses)

Article 4

The master's degree programs and Master's Courses shall aim to cultivate research capabilities in a field of specialization or, additionally, cultivate superior capabilities for engaging in a vocation requiring a high degree of specialization, through in-depth education over a broad field.

Article 5

The Doctoral Course, the Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry or Pharmacy and the doctoral degree program in the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences shall aim to cultivate individuals who can conduct independent research as researchers in a field of specialization, and foster

the advanced research capabilities necessary for carrying out a highly specialized vocation as well as a rich knowledge that serves as the foundation for such capabilities.

Article 5-2

The graduate law school program shall have the sole purpose of providing training in the legal profession among the professional doctoral degrees stipulated in the Standards for the Establishment of Professional Graduate Schools.

Chapter 2: Curriculum

(Policy for Development of Curriculum)

Article 5-3

The curriculum in the graduate program of the University shall include the subjects organized systematically based on academic majors, global literacy and liberal arts.

Article 5-4

The graduate program of the University (excluding professional graduate schools, which applies here and in Paragraph 1 of Article 5-6, Article 9-2, Paragraph 1 of Article 9-4, and Article 12) shall establish the necessary subjects to achieve the educational aims of the program as well as establish a system for supervising the writing of a thesis or dissertation (hereinafter referred to as “Research Guidance”).

2. With regard to the development of the curriculum, the graduate program of the University must give appropriate consideration to fostering fundamental knowledge in the relevant field of specialization, in addition to enabling the acquisition of advanced specialized knowledge and capabilities in that field of specialization.

Article 5-5

The professional graduate school must establish the necessary subjects in the field of specialization in collaboration with industry, legal sector, etc.

2. The professional graduate school must give appropriate consideration to providing coursework involving practical research, on-site investigations or both, or two-way or multi-directional debate, question and answer sessions or other appropriate methods in the field of specialization, in order to provide a practical education that fulfills the aims of the school.

(Program for Leading Graduate Schools)

Article 5-6

In order to enhance the curricula in each graduate school, the following programs are offered by the University:

Program for Leading Graduate Schools

WISE Program(Doctoral Program for World-leading Innovative & Smart Education)

2. Necessary matters related to each programs of the preceding paragraph shall be stipulated separately.

(Graduate Minor Program etc.)

Article 5-7

In addition to the curriculum stipulated in Article 5-3 to the preceding Article, the following programs shall be established in order to cultivate knowledge in a wide range of areas:

Graduate Minor Program

Graduate Program for Advanced Interdisciplinary Studies

2. Other matters necessary for each program stated in the preceding paragraph shall be stipulated separately.

(Certificates of Learning, etc.)

Article 5-8

For students who have acquired credits for systematic courses with a part of the curriculum stipulated in Article 5-3 to 5-6 and according to the provisions stipulated in Article 163-2 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the School Education Law (Ministry of Education Ordinance No. 11, 1947), Certificates of Learning can be issued.

2. The systematic courses in the preceding paragraph are referred to as 学修証明プログラム (the Learning Certificate Program).

3. Other necessary matters concerning the Learning Certificate Program shall be stipulated separately.

(Educational Methods etc.)

Article 6

The education in the graduate program of the University shall be conducted in the form of coursework and Research Guidance. However, Research Guidance shall not apply to the professional graduate school.

2. The subject content, number of credits, content of Research Guidance and course requirements for each graduate school shall be established separately in the regulations for the relevant graduate school.

3. Regarding the method of instruction and method for calculating the number of credits for each subject, Article 10-2-2 and Article 10-2-3 in the Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

4. In addition to the subjects stipulated in Paragraph 2 above, the University shall offer the following subjects that are jointly implemented by all graduate schools.

- Subjects concerning Transdisciplinary Graduate Education Program (hereinafter referred to as “Graduate Transdisciplinary Subjects”)
- Subjects concerning Program for Leading Graduate Schools (hereinafter referred to as Leading Program Subjects”)

- Global initiative subjects

5. Necessary matters concerning the Graduate Transdisciplinary Subjects, the Leading Program Subjects and global initiative subjects shall be stipulated separately.

Article 7

When deemed necessary by the Dean of the relevant graduate school (hereafter “Dean of the relevant graduate school” shall include individuals who have been given the power to act on behalf of the said Dean of the graduate school), with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting at the relevant graduate school, a student may take subjects offered by another department/division/course at the relevant graduate school, subjects offered by another graduate school, subjects stipulated in Paragraph 4 of the preceding Article, or subjects offered by an undergraduate school, and receive credits as stipulated in the provisions of Article 15.

Article 8

When deemed necessary by the Dean of the relevant graduate school, with the approval of a Faculty Meeting at the relevant graduate school, a student may take subjects at another graduate school, at an overseas graduate school, or at the United Nations University, and receive credits as stipulated in the provisions of Article 15, provided that the number of credits shall be fifteen (15) or less.

2. Regarding the completion of subjects stipulated in the preceding paragraph, the provisions stipulated in Paragraph 1 of Article 10-3 in the Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

Article 8-2

When deemed necessary by the Dean of the relevant graduate school, with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting at the relevant graduate school, the credits acquired for coursework completed at a graduate school, at an overseas graduate school or at the United Nations University prior to enrollment in the graduate program of the University, may be recognized by the graduate program of the University as acquired credits. (This includes credits acquired as a credited auditor pursuant to Paragraph 1 of Article 31 of the Standards for the Establishment of Universities, Ministry of Education Ordinance No. 28, 1963, applied *mutatis mutandis* to Article 15 of the Standards for the Establishment of Graduate Schools, Ministry of Education Ordinance No. 28, 1974.)

2. Except for the credits acquired in the graduate program of the University, credits acquired pursuant to the preceding paragraph can be applied toward the total stipulated in Article 15, provided that the number of credits shall be fifteen (15) or less (excluding the individuals admitted to the University pursuant to Paragraph 1 of Article 24-2, or accepted for readmission or transfer pursuant to Paragraph 2 of Article 32), and the total number of credits recognized as acquired credits pursuant to the provision of Paragraph 1 of the preceding Article must not exceed twenty (20) credits.

Article 8-3

Regarding the professional graduate school, the completion of subjects at another graduate school, at an overseas graduate school, or at the United Nations University, and approval of credits acquired prior to enrollment shall be pursuant to the provisions of the professional graduate school.

Article 9

When deemed necessary by the Dean of the relevant graduate school, with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting at the relevant graduate school, a student may receive Research Guidance at another graduate school or overseas graduate school (excluding Research Guidance a student of the International Collaborative Department, as defined in Article 45, receives at the Overseas Partner Graduate School as defined in Article 46), based on discussions with that graduate school.

2. The period for receiving Research Guidance stipulated in the preceding paragraph shall not exceed one (1) year for students in the master's degree program and the Master's Course.

(Specification of Grading Standards etc.)

Article 9-2

The graduate program of the University must clearly specify to students the methods for and content of coursework and Research Guidance as well as an annual plan for coursework and Research Guidance.

2. In order for the graduate program of the University to maintain a strict and objective evaluation of academic achievements and the thesis or dissertation and approve program completion, the graduate program of the University must clearly specify the grading standards to students, and conduct evaluations appropriately in accordance with those standards.

Article 9-3

The professional graduate school must clearly specify to students the methods for and content of coursework and an annual plan for classes.

2. In order for the professional graduate school to maintain a strict and objective evaluation of academic achievements and approve program completion, the professional graduate school must clearly specify the grading standards to students, and conduct evaluations appropriately in accordance with those standards.

(Systematic Training for Improvements in Educational Content)

Article 9-4

The graduate program of the University shall conduct systematic training and research in order to improve the content and methods of classes and Research Guidance.

2. The professional graduate school shall conduct systematic training and research in order to improve the content and methods of classes.

(Long-term Completion of Curriculum)

Article 10

The Dean of the relevant graduate school may permit the planned completion of the curriculum based on stipulations established separately when a student, due to employment or other factors, expresses the wish to exceed the standard period of study as stipulated in Paragraphs 2, 3, and 5 of Article 2 and complete the curriculum and degree course during a specific period of time.

(Acquisition of Required Qualifications to Obtain a Teaching Certificate)

Article 10-2

The methods for acquiring the required qualifications for obtaining a teaching certificate at the graduate schools of the University shall be stipulated separately.

Chapter 3: Completion of Course and Conferment of Degree

(Examinations and Evaluations)

Article 11

A student's mastery of a completed subject shall be evaluated by a written examination, oral evaluation or research report. However, other evaluation methods may be used in place of an examination.

2. Grading for examinations for each subject shall be expressed using the following system, with 100 points as the top score. S, A, B and C indicate passing grades, while F indicates a failing grade.

S: 90 points or higher

A: 80 – 89 points

B: 70 – 79 points

C: 60 – 69 points

F: Less than 60 points

(Submission of a Thesis or Dissertation etc.)

Article 12

Students in the graduate program of the University shall submit a thesis or dissertation to the Dean of the relevant graduate school during the period of enrollment and take a final examination. However, this provision shall not apply to students who are to be evaluated based on research results on a specific topic stipulated in Paragraph 1 of Article 15, and who are to be subjected to examination and evaluation stipulated in Paragraph 2 of Article 15.

Article 13

Notwithstanding the provision of the preceding Article, an individual who has been enrolled in the Doctoral Course for three (3) or more years, acquired the stipulated number of credits and received the necessary Research Guidance may be permitted by the Dean of the relevant graduate school to submit a doctoral dissertation and take a final examination, even after voluntary withdrawal from the graduate school.

2. Notwithstanding the provision of the preceding Article, an individual who has been enrolled in the Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry or Pharmacy for four (4) or more years, acquired the stipulated number of credits and received the necessary Research Guidance may be permitted by the Dean of the relevant graduate school to submit a doctoral dissertation and take a final examination, even after voluntary withdrawal from the graduate school.

3. Notwithstanding the provision of the preceding Article, an individual who has been enrolled in the doctoral degree program in the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences for five (5) or more years (or three (3) or more years in the case of individuals approved to enroll pursuant to the provision of Article 24-2), acquired the stipulated number of credits and received the necessary Research Guidance may be permitted by the Dean of the relevant graduate school to submit a doctoral dissertation and take a final examination, even after voluntary withdrawal from the graduate school.

4. The Dean of the relevant graduate school must have the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting to grant the permission pursuant to the provisions of the preceding three paragraphs.

(Evaluation of Thesis or Dissertation etc.)

Article 14

A Dissertation Committee shall be established at a Faculty Meeting of the relevant graduate school to evaluate theses or dissertations and conduct final examinations.

2. A presentation session on the content of the dissertation shall be conducted when evaluating the said dissertation.

3. The assistance of an academic staff member from another graduate school etc. may be received when deemed necessary for the evaluation of the thesis or dissertation referred to in the preceding paragraph after discussion at a Faculty Meeting of the relevant graduate school.

4. The provisions of Paragraphs 1 and the preceding paragraph shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to examinations and evaluations stipulated in Paragraph 2 of the following Article.

(Requirements for Completion)

Article 15

The requirements for the completion of the master's degree program or the Master's Course shall be enrollment in the relevant program/course for at least two (2) years, acquisition of at least thirty (30) credits in the required subjects pursuant to the requirements of the relevant graduate school, and, after receiving the necessary Research Guidance, the successful completion of a master's thesis or research results on a specific topic in accordance with the aims of the curriculum and successful completion of a final examination. However, for an individual who has shown exceptional research performance, a period of enrollment of at least one (1) year may be deemed sufficient to complete the master's degree program or the Master's Course, only when specially approved by the Dean at the relevant graduate school with the approval of a Faculty Meeting at the relevant graduate school.

2. When it is deemed necessary to fulfill the aim of the Master's Course, the requirements for the completion of the said Master's Course shall be successful completion of examination and evaluation stipulated in the following in lieu of the successful completion of a master's thesis or research results on a specific topic.

- (1) Examination concerning advanced specialized knowledge and capabilities in the relevant field of specialization as well as fundamental knowledge in related field(s) of specialization, which should be acquired and cultivated during the said Master's Course.
- (2) Evaluation concerning capabilities necessary to perform proactive research related to a doctoral dissertation, which should be acquired during the said Master's Course.

3. The provisions of the preceding paragraphs shall be applied only to individuals taking the curriculum with a consistent aim for nurturing individuals in the doctoral degree program with a standard period of study of five (5) years stipulated in Paragraph 3 of Article 2.

4. The requirements for the completion of the doctoral degree program (excluding the Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry or Pharmacy) shall be enrollment in the relevant program for at least five (5) years (including the period of two (2) years of enrollment in the relevant master's degree program or Master's Course in the case of individuals who have completed the said master's degree program or the Master's Course), acquisition of at least thirty (30) credits in the required subjects pursuant to the requirements of the relevant graduate school, and, after receiving the necessary Research Guidance, the successful completion of a doctoral dissertation and a final examination. However, for an individual who has shown exceptional research performance, a period of enrollment of at least three (3) years (including the period of two (2) years of enrollment in the relevant master's degree program or Master's Course in the case of individuals who have completed the said master's degree program or the Master's Course) may be deemed sufficient to complete the doctoral degree program, only when specially approved by the Dean at the relevant graduate school with the approval of a Faculty Meeting at the relevant graduate school.

5. The requirements for the completion of the doctoral degree program (excluding the Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry or Pharmacy) for individuals who completed the master's degree program or the Master's Course within the period of enrollment as stipulated in the proviso in Paragraph 1 above shall be enrollment of at least three (3) years in addition to the period of enrollment in the master's degree program or the Master's Course, acquisition of at least thirty (30) credits in the required subjects pursuant to the requirements of the relevant graduate school, and, after receiving the necessary Research Guidance, the successful completion of a doctoral dissertation and a final examination. However, for an individual who has shown exceptional research performance, a period of enrollment of at least three (3) years (including the period of enrollment in the master's degree program or the Master's Course) may be deemed sufficient to complete the doctoral degree program, only when specially approved by the Dean at the relevant graduate school with the approval of a Faculty Meeting at the relevant graduate school.

6. The requirements for the completion of the Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry or Pharmacy shall be enrollment of at least four (4) years, acquisition of at least thirty (30) credits in the

required subjects pursuant to the requirements of the relevant graduate school, and, after receiving the necessary Research Guidance, the successful completion of a doctoral dissertation and a final examination. However, for an individual who has shown exceptional research performance, a period of enrollment of at least three (3) years may be deemed sufficient to complete the program, only when specially approved by the Dean at the relevant graduate school with the approval of a Faculty Meeting at the relevant graduate school.

7. Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraphs 4 and 5 above, in the case of individuals who hold a master's degree or a professional degree (hereinafter, "professional degree" shall be defined according to the provisions outlined in Article 5-2 of the Degree Regulations (Minister of Education Ordinance No. 9, 1953), or qualified for enrollment in a Doctoral Course based on academic capabilities recognized as equal to or exceeding those of individuals who hold a master's degree pursuant to the provisions of Article 156 of the Ordinance for Enforcement, and who enrolled in the Doctoral Course, the requirements for the completion of the relevant course/program shall be enrollment in the course/program for at least three (3) years and, after receiving the necessary Research Guidance, the successful completion of a doctoral dissertation and a final examination. However, for an individual who has shown exceptional research performance, a period of enrollment of at least one (1) year may be deemed sufficient to complete the course/program, only when specially approved by the Dean at the relevant graduate school with the approval of a Faculty Meeting at the relevant graduate school.

8. Notwithstanding the provision of the preceding paragraph, when deemed necessary by a graduate school, the graduate school may stipulate the acquisition of a prescribed number of credits in the necessary subjects as a requirement for the completion of the course/program referred to in the preceding paragraph.

9. The requirements for the completion of the graduate law school program shall be enrollment of at least three (3) years and acquisition of at least ninety-eight (98) credits in the required subjects pursuant to the requirements of Osaka University Law School. However, for individuals who have been recognized as possessing the fundamental knowledge of the law required to complete the graduate law school program (hereinafter referred to as "Individual with Fundamental Legal Knowledge"), a period of enrollment of at least two (2) years may be deemed sufficient to complete the program, only when specially approved by the Dean with the approval of a Faculty Meeting at Osaka University Law School.

(Shortening of the Period of Enrollment in Graduate School)

Article 15-2

In the event that the credits acquired at the graduate program of the University or at another graduate school prior to enrollment in the graduate program of the University (limited to the credits acquired only after qualifying for enrollment pursuant to Paragraph 1 of Article 102 of the School Education Law, and including credits acquired as a credited auditor pursuant to Paragraph 1 of Article 31 of the Standards for the Establishment of Universities, applied *mutatis mutandis* to Article 15 of the Standards for the Establishment of Graduate Schools) may be recognized by the graduate program of

the University as acquired credits, and when the relevant graduate school deems that students have completed part of the curriculum of a master's degree program or a doctoral degree program (excluding Doctoral Course) of the said graduate school, or a graduate law school program, through acquisition of the said credits, individuals may be recognized as having been enrolled for the period pursuant to certification of the said graduate school, based on the number of acquired credits, the period required for acquiring credits, and other matters deemed to be necessary, provided that the period shall be one (1) year or less. However, even in this case, students in the master's degree program or the Master's Course must be enrolled for at least one (1) year.

2. The provisions of the preceding paragraph shall not be applied to the period of enrollment of the doctoral degree program stipulated in Paragraphs 4 and 5 of the preceding Article, in the case of individuals who have completed the master's degree program or the Master's Course (excluding the period of enrollment of the master's degree program or the Master's Course which are included in the period of enrollment of the doctoral degree program pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 4 of the preceding Article), and to the period of enrollment of Individual with Fundamental Legal Knowledge.

(Conferment of Degrees)

Article 16

The President shall confer a master's degree or doctoral degree on individuals who have completed a course/program pursuant to the provisions of Paragraphs 1 through 7 of Article 15 and the preceding Article.

2. The President shall confer a degree of Juris Doctor on individuals who have completed the graduate law school program pursuant to Paragraph 9 of Article 15 and the preceding Article.

3. In addition to individuals specified in Paragraph 1, for the doctoral degree program in the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences, the President may confer a master's degree on individuals who have fulfilled the requirements equivalent to the completion of the master's degree program or the Master's Course stipulated in Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Article 15.

Article 17

The degrees stipulated in Paragraphs 1 and 3 of the preceding Article shall be appended with the name of the field of specialization in accordance with the classifications of each graduate school, as listed below.

Graduate school	Master's degree	Doctoral degree
Letters	Arts (文学)	Literature (文学)
Human Sciences	Human Sciences (人間科学)	Human Sciences (人間科学)
Law and Politics	Laws (法学)	Philosophy in Law (法学)
Economics	Economics (経済学)	Philosophy in Economics (経済学)
	Applied Economics (応用経済学)	Philosophy in Applied Economics (応用経済学)

Graduate school	Master's degree	Doctoral degree
	Business Administration (経営学)	Philosophy in Business Administration (経営学)
Science	Science (理学)	Philosophy (理学)
Medicine	Medical Science (医科学)	Philosophy in Medical Science (医学)
	Public Health (公衆衛生学)	
	Health Science (保健学)	Health Science (保健学)
	Science in Nursing (看護学)	Science in Nursing (看護学)
Dentistry		Philosophy in Dental Science (歯学)
Pharmaceutical Sciences	Pharmaceutical Sciences (薬科学)	Philosophy in Pharmaceutical Sciences (薬科学)
		Philosophy in Pharmacy (薬学)
Engineering	Engineering (工学)	Philosophy in Engineering (工学)
Engineering Science	Engineering (工学)	Philosophy in Engineering (工学)
		Philosophy in Science (理学)
Language and Culture	Arts in Language and Culture (言語文化学)	Philosophy in Language and Culture (言語文化学)
	Arts in Japanese Studies (日本語・日本文化)	Philosophy in Japanese Studies (日本語・日本文化)
Osaka School of International Public Policy	International Public Policy (国際公共政策)	International Public Policy (国際公共政策)
Information Science and Technology	Information Science and Technology (情報科学)	Philosophy in Information Science and Technology (情報科学)
	Science (理学)	Philosophy (理学)
	Engineering (工学)	Philosophy in Engineering (工学)
Frontier Biosciences	Science (生命機能学)	Philosophy (生命機能学)
	Science (理学)	Philosophy (理学)
	Science (工学)	Philosophy (工学)
United Graduate School of Child Development, Osaka University, Kanazawa University, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine, Chiba University and University of Fukui		Child Development (小児発達学)

2. The degree of Juris Doctor stipulated in Paragraph 2 of the preceding Article shall be appended with the term “Professional Degree (専門職).”

3. Notwithstanding the provision stipulated in Paragraph 1 above, in the case of individuals who specialized in interdisciplinary fields, the degree conferred on them may be appended with the term “Philosophy, Science (学術),” when deemed appropriate by the President with the approval of a Faculty Meeting of the relevant graduate school.

Article 18

In addition to the provisions stipulated in the preceding Article, other matters related to the master's degree, doctoral degree and degree of Juris Doctor shall be pursuant to the provisions in the Osaka University Degree Regulations.

Article 19 Deleted.

Chapter 4: Enrollment, Leave of Absence, Voluntary Withdrawal, Transfer, Change of Graduate School, Study Abroad, Readmission and Change of Department/Division/Course

(Requirements for Enrollment etc.)

Article 20

Individuals who may enroll in the master's degree program, Master's Course, and doctoral degree program in the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences and the graduate law school program are as follows:

- (1) Individuals who have graduated from a university or specialist college.
- (2) Individuals who have received a bachelor's degree pursuant to Paragraph 7 of Article 104 of the School Education Law.
- (3) Individuals who have completed sixteen (16) years of formal education overseas.
- (4) Individuals who have completed sixteen (16) years of formal education overseas through completion in Japan of a correspondence course offered by a school in that country.
- (5) Individuals who have completed the relevant coursework designated separately by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (hereinafter referred to as "MEXT") at an educational facility in Japan which ranks in an overseas educational system as providing the same level of curriculum as a university in that country (hereafter "university in that country" or "overseas university" shall include overseas universities equivalent to specialist colleges) (limited to those facilities recognized as providing the equivalent of sixteen (16) years of formal education in that country).
- (6) Individuals who have received the equivalent of a bachelor's degree through the completion of coursework (including but not limited to the completion of a correspondence course in Japan offered by a school overseas and which ranks in an educational system overseas as providing the same level of curriculum as a university in that country designated by Item (5)) which requires three (3) or more years of study at an overseas university or school (limited to schools evaluated by organizations that are certified by overseas governments, or relevant agencies, on the comprehensive progress of their education and research, or schools which are designated separately by the Minister of MEXT).
- (7) Individuals who have completed a specialized course at a specialized training college, with requirements designated separately by the Minister of MEXT, after the date designated by the Minister of MEXT (limited to those schools which require four (4) or more years of study and which fulfill the standards established by the Minister of MEXT).
- (8) Individuals designated by the Minister of MEXT.

- (9) Individuals who have been enrolled at a graduate school pursuant to the provision of Paragraph 2 of Article 102 of the School Education Law and who are recognized as having adequate academic skill to study at the relevant graduate school.
- (10) Individuals who have been enrolled at a university or specialist college for three (3) or more years and who are recognized by the relevant graduate school as having acquired the prescribed number of credits with exemplary grades . (including those recognized as having the basic knowledge of law required by law school and competence/qualifications equivalent to, or higher than, that knowledge based on an evaluation of acquired credits and the results of examinations).
- (11) Individuals who have completed fifteen (15) years of formal education overseas; individuals who have completed fifteen (15) years of formal education overseas through completion in Japan of a correspondence course offered by a school in that country; or individuals who have completed the relevant coursework designated separately by the Minister of MEXT at an educational facility in Japan which ranks in an overseas educational system as providing the same level of curriculum as a university in that country (limited to those facilities recognized as providing the equivalent of fifteen (15) years of formal education in that country) who are recognized by the relevant graduate school as having acquired the prescribed number of credits with exemplary grades.
- (12) Individuals who are at least twenty-two (22) years of age and who are recognized by the relevant graduate school as having academic capabilities equal to or exceeding those of a university or specialist college graduate, based on a separate admission qualification evaluation.

Article 21

Individuals wishing to enroll in the master's degree program, Master's Course, doctoral degree program in the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences or the graduate law school program must submit an application form for admission, along with the appropriate documents.

Article 22

Regarding individuals wishing to enroll in the master's degree program, Master's Course or the doctoral degree program in the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences, an evaluation of academic capabilities shall be conducted and a decision made on which individuals shall be accepted for enrollment by the President with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting, based on a comprehensive evaluation of documents that include a statement of interest in the program, transcript, etc.

- 2. Regarding individuals wishing to enroll in the graduate law school program, a decision shall be made on which individuals shall be accepted for enrollment by the President with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting, based on the provisions stipulated by the Osaka University Law School.

Article 23

Individuals who may enroll in the Doctoral Course are as follows:

- (1) Individuals who hold a master's degree or a professional degree.

- (2) Individuals who have received a degree in a foreign country that is equivalent to a master's degree or professional degree.
- (3) Individuals who have received a degree overseas equivalent to a master's degree or professional degree through the completion in Japan of a correspondence course offered by a school overseas.
- (4) Individuals who have received the equivalent of a master's degree or professional degree through the completion of the relevant coursework designated separately by the Minister of MEXT at an educational facility in Japan which ranks overseas educational system as providing the same level of curriculum as a graduate school in that country.
- (5) Individuals who have received a degree that is equivalent to a master's degree through the completion of a course offered by the United Nations University.
- (6) Individuals who have completed the relevant coursework offered by an overseas school, an educational institution designated by Item (4) above or the United Nations University and who are recognized as having academic capabilities equal to or exceeding those of an individual who holds a master's degree upon passing the examination and evaluation equivalent to those stipulated in Article 16-2 of the Standards for the Establishment of Graduate Schools.
- (7) Individuals designated by the Minister of MEXT.
- (8) Individuals who are at least twenty-four (24) years of age and who are recognized by the relevant graduate school as having academic capabilities equal to or exceeding those of an individual who holds a master's degree or professional degree, based on a separate admission qualification evaluation.

Article 24

Regarding applicants wishing to enroll in the Doctoral Course who have received a master's degree from the graduate program of the University, a decision shall be made on which individuals shall be accepted for enrollment based on an evaluation of academic performance, master's thesis, etc. in the relevant Master's Course, or, for other applicants, an evaluation based on the provisions stipulated by the relevant graduate school. The evaluation shall be made by the President with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting.

Article 24-2

Individuals who wish to enroll in the third year of the doctoral degree program in the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences may be accepted by the President with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting for enrollment based on the provisions stipulated by the graduate school.

2. Regarding the individuals accepted for enrollment pursuant to the provision of the preceding paragraph, requirements for completion shall be established separately by the relevant graduate school.

Article 25

Individuals who may enroll in the Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry or Pharmacy are as follows:

- (1) Individuals who have graduated from a university course in medicine, dentistry or pharmacy whose main purpose is to cultivate practical clinical ability, or veterinary medicine (hereinafter referred to as a “Course in Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy or Veterinary Medicine”).
- (2) Individuals who have completed eighteen (18) years of formal education overseas.
- (3) Individuals who have completed the equivalent of eighteen (18) years of formal education overseas through the completion in Japan of a correspondence course offered by a school in that country.
- (4) Individuals who have completed the relevant coursework designated separately by the Minister of MEXT at an educational facility in Japan which ranks in a foreign country’s educational system as providing the same level of curriculum as a university in that country (limited to those facilities recognized as providing the equivalent of eighteen (18) years of formal education in that country).
- (5) Individuals who have received the equivalent of a bachelor's degree through the completion of coursework (including but not limited to the completion of a correspondence course in Japan offered by a school overseas and which ranks in an educational system overseas as providing the same level of curriculum as a university in that country designated by Item (4)) which requires five (5) or more years of study at an overseas university or school (limited to schools evaluated by organizations that are certified by overseas governments, or relevant agencies, on the comprehensive progress of their education and research, or schools which are designated separately by the Minister of MEXT).
- (6) Individuals designated by the Minister of MEXT.
- (7) Individuals who have been enrolled at a graduate school pursuant to the provision of Paragraph 2 of Article 102 of the School Education Law and who are recognized as having adequate academic skill to study at the relevant graduate school.
- (8) Individuals who have been enrolled at a university for at least four (4) years (limited to a Course in Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy or Veterinary Medicine) and who are recognized by the relevant graduate school as having acquired the prescribed number of credits with exemplary grades.
- (9) Individuals who have completed sixteen (16) years of formal education overseas (limited to those individuals who have completed a Course in Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy or Veterinary Medicine); individuals who have completed sixteen (16) years of formal education overseas through completion in Japan of a correspondence course offered by a school in that country (limited to those individuals who have completed a Course in Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy or Veterinary Medicine); or individuals who have completed the relevant coursework designated separately by the Minister of MEXT at an educational facility in Japan which ranks in an overseas educational system as providing the same level of curriculum as a university in that country (limited to those facilities recognized as providing the equivalent of sixteen (16) years of formal education in that country; limited to those individuals who have completed a Course in Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy or Veterinary Medicine) who are recognized by the relevant graduate school as having acquired the prescribed number of credits with exemplary grades.

- (10) Individuals who are at least twenty-four (24) years of age and who are recognized by the relevant graduate school as having academic capabilities equal to or exceeding those of an individual who has completed a Course in Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy or Veterinary Medicine, based on a separate admission qualification evaluation.

Article 26

Regarding individuals who wish to enroll in the Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry or Pharmacy, the President, with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting, shall determine which individuals shall be accepted for enrollment based on the provisions stipulated by the relevant graduate school.

Article 27

The provisions stipulated in Article 21 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to those individuals who wish to enroll in the Doctoral Course, the Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry or Pharmacy or the third year of the doctoral degree program in the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences.

(Maximum Period of Enrollment)

Article 28

The maximum period of enrollment shall not exceed four (4) years for the master's degree program and the Master's Course, five (5) years for the Doctoral Course, six (6) years for the Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry or Pharmacy and the graduate law school program, and seven (7) years for the doctoral degree program in the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences. However, for the Doctoral Course, Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry or Pharmacy, the doctoral degree program in the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences and the graduate law school program only, the maximum period of enrollment may be extended in the case of extenuating circumstances, after consideration at a Faculty Meeting.

2. A student who exceeds the maximum period of enrollment stipulated in the preceding paragraph shall forfeit his or her student status.

(Start of Enrollment)

Article 29

Enrollment in graduate school shall commence at the beginning of the academic year. Enrollment may be permitted at the beginning of the Summer Term, Fall Term or Winter Term, provided that the Dean of the relevant graduate school deems that there is a special need and that doing so shall in no way impede education.

2. Regarding regulations on procedures for admission, approval and rescission of approval, voluntary withdrawal from the University and transfer, the provisions stipulated in the Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

3. Individuals who fall under one of the following categories and who have not paid the necessary enrollment fee by the required deadline shall forfeit their status:

- (1) Individuals who applied for exemption from the enrollment fee pursuant to the provision of Paragraph 1 of Article 38, and who were not approved for exemption or were approved for only a partial exemption.
- (2) Individuals being considered for deferred payment of enrollment fees pursuant to the provision of Article 38-2.

(Leave of Absence)

Article 30

The period of a leave of absence must not exceed two (2) years for the master's degree program and the Master's Course, three (3) years for the Doctoral Course and the graduate law school program, four (4) years for the Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry or Pharmacy and five (5) years for the doctoral degree program in the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences. However, the maximum period for a leave of absence may be extended in the case of extenuating circumstances, after consideration at a Faculty Meeting.

2. In addition to the preceding paragraph, for regulations regarding the leave of absence, the provisions stipulated in the Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

(Study Abroad)

Article 31

A student who wishes to study at an overseas graduate school must make a request to the Dean of the relevant graduate school, and receive permission.

2. The period of studying abroad pursuant to the preceding paragraph shall be included in the calculation of the period of study as stipulated in Paragraphs 2, 3, 5 and 6 of Article 2.

(Transfer within the University)

Article 32

A student who wishes to transfer to a different graduate school within the University or change department/division/course may be granted permission by the Dean of the relevant graduate school with the approval of a Faculty Meeting of the relevant graduate school based on the results of a screening process.

2. A student who wishes to readmit in the University or transfer to the University from a graduate school at another university or the United Nations University may be granted permission by the President with the approval of a Faculty Meeting of the relevant graduate school based on the results of a screening process.

3. Regarding transfers described in the preceding two paragraphs, determination of the number of credits granted for previously completed coursework and the period of enrollment shall be determined by the Dean of the relevant graduate school with the approval of a Faculty Meeting of the relevant graduate school.

Chapter 5: Required Withdrawal, Reinstatement and Disciplinary Action

(Required Withdrawal, etc.)

Article 33

Regarding regulations for required withdrawal, reinstatement and disciplinary action, the provisions stipulated in the Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

Chapter 6: Application Fees, Enrollment Fees and Tuition Fees

(Payment of Application Fee)

Article 34

Individuals who wish to enroll at the University must pay an application fee at the time that the application form is submitted. However, application fees shall not be levied on individuals who have completed the master's degree program or Master's Course in the graduate program of the University or the graduate law school program and who wish to enroll in the Doctoral Course, Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry or Pharmacy or the third year of the doctoral degree program in the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences.

2. The provision stipulated in the preceding paragraph shall also apply *mutatis mutandis* to individuals who have completed a Master's Course, graduate law school course or graduate school of teacher education at a graduate school of Kanazawa University, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine, Chiba University or University of Fukui, and who wish to further enroll in the United Graduate School of Child Development, Osaka University, Kanazawa University, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine, Chiba University and University of Fukui.

(Payment of Enrollment Fee)

Article 35

Individuals who are accepted for enrollment at the University must pay an enrollment fee by the designated deadline. However, enrollment fees shall not be levied on individuals who have completed the master's degree program or Master's Course in the graduate program of the University or the graduate law school program, and who wish to further enroll in the Doctoral Course, Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry or Pharmacy or the third year of the doctoral degree program in the Graduate School of Frontier Biosciences.

2. The provision stipulated in the preceding paragraph shall also apply *mutatis mutandis* to individuals who have completed a Master's Course, graduate law school course or graduate school of teacher education at a graduate school of Kanazawa University, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine, Chiba University or University of Fukui, and who wish to further enroll in the United Graduate School of Child Development, Osaka University, Kanazawa University, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine, Chiba University and University of Fukui.

(Payment of Tuition Fee)

Article 36

Graduate school students must pay the annual tuition fee in two equal installments, with half of the annual amount to be paid by the deadline for the first semester (April – September), and the second half to be paid by the deadline for the second semester (October – March).

2. Regarding the payment of tuition fees and payment in monthly installments, the provisions stipulated in the Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

(Amount of the Application Fee, Enrollment Fee and Tuition Fee)

Article 37

The amount of the application fee specified in Article 34, the enrollment fee specified in Article 35 and the tuition fee specified in Article 36 shall be stipulated in the Osaka University Student Fee Regulations (hereinafter referred to as “Fee Regulations”).

(Exemption from Application Fee)

Article 37-2

Regarding exemption from the application fee, the provisions stipulated in the Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

(Exemption from Enrollment Fee)

Article 38

An individual planning to enroll in the graduate program of the University (excluding individuals who will enroll as credited auditors, auditors and research students; the same applies to the remainder of this paragraph) who is recognized as having difficulty in paying the enrollment fee due to financial reasons or due to one of the extenuating circumstances listed below may be granted exemption from payment of all or part of the enrollment fee, pursuant to provisions stipulated separately.

- (1) Within one year prior to enrollment, the person responsible for the academic expenses of the enrolling individual (hereinafter referred to as “Academic Expense Payer”) has died, or the enrolling individual or Academic Expense Payer has suffered damage caused by storm, flood or other natural disaster.
- (2) There is another valid reason similar in substance to the reasons specified in the preceding paragraph, which the President deems appropriate.

2. In the event that an individual forfeits student status pursuant to the provision of Paragraph 3 of Article 29, the student may be granted exemption from payment of all or part of the enrollment fee.

Article 38-2

In addition to the provisions stipulated in the preceding Article, for other provisions regarding exemption from or deferred payment of the enrollment fee, the provisions stipulated in the Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

(Exemption from Payment of Tuition Fee)

Article 39

Regarding exemption from or deferred payment of the tuition fee, the provisions stipulated in the Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

(Paid Application Fee, Enrollment Fee and Tuition Fee)

Article 39-2

Application fees, enrollment fees and tuition fees that have already been paid shall not be refunded.

2. Notwithstanding the provision of the preceding paragraph, for individuals who wish to enroll in the graduate law school program pursuant to Paragraph 2 of Article 22, when application documents are screened (hereinafter referred to as “Stage 1 Screening”), and successful applicants from Stage 1 are evaluated in terms of academic capability or other additional factors (hereinafter referred to as “Stage 2 Screening”), the amount equivalent to the application fee for Stage 2 Screening as specified in Paragraph 5 of Article 2 of the Fee Regulations can be refunded upon request to individuals who failed to pass the Stage 1 Screening.

3. If, as stipulated in Paragraph 2 of Article 36, a student pays the second semester tuition fee together with the first semester tuition fee pursuant to Paragraph 2 of Article 46 of the Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations *mutatis mutandis*, and then takes a leave of absence or voluntarily withdraws before the end of the first semester, an amount equivalent to the second semester tuition fee may be refunded when requested by the individual who made the payment.

Chapter 7: Enrollment Quota

(Enrollment Quota)

Article 40

The enrollment quota of the graduate program of the University shall be as shown in the Attachment.

Chapter 8: Special Research Students, Special Auditors, Credited Auditors, Auditors, Research Students and International Students

(Special Research Students etc.)

Article 41

The graduate program of the University shall establish a system for special research students, special auditors, credited auditors, auditors, research students and international students.

2. When a student enrolled in a curriculum offered in a graduate school at another university, at an overseas graduate school or at the United Nations University wishes to receive Research Guidance in the graduate program of the University or any of the University’s Research Institutes, Joint-Use Facilities, National Joint-Use Facilities or Immunology Frontier Research Center, the student may be approved for enrollment as a special research student by the Dean of the relevant graduate school or the director of the relevant research institute.

3. Regarding tuition fees and payment of tuition fees for special research students, the provisions for research students stipulated in the Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations shall apply *mutatis mutandis*. However, tuition fees shall not be levied when a special research student is a student of a graduate school at a national university, or is a student of a graduate school at a public or private university who is receiving Research Guidance under an inter-university special research student exchange agreement (including inter-faculty- exchange agreements) which specifies a mutual non-levying of tuition fees with the University.

4. The application fee and enrollment fee shall not be levied on special research students.

5. Regarding the required withdrawal of special research students, the provisions for research students stipulated in the Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

6. Regarding special auditors, credited auditors, auditors and research students, the relevant provisions regarding special auditors, credited auditors, auditors and research students in the Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

7. International students shall mean foreigners enrolled as graduate students, special research students, special auditors, credited auditors, auditors, and research students

8. Notwithstanding the provisions stipulated in Paragraphs 3, 6 and 7 above, application fees, enrollment fees and tuition fees shall not be levied on students who have enrolled under the Japanese Government Scholarship Student System Implementation Guidelines (Minister of Education decision, March 31, 1954) or individuals who enroll based on an inter-university academic exchange agreement (including inter-faculty exchange agreements) which specifies a mutual non-levying of application fees, enrollment fees and tuition fees between the University and an overseas university.

Chapter 9: Special Courses

(Extension Programs)

Article 41-2

Advanced Programs for Credited Auditors or other Extension Programs shall be established in the University as a special curriculum stipulated in Article 105 of the School Education Law for persons other than students of the University.

2. In addition to the provisions stipulated in the preceding paragraph, other matters necessary for each program stated in the preceding paragraph shall be stipulated separately.

Chapter 10: Academic Year, Semester System and Holidays

(Academic Year etc.)

Article 42

Regarding the academic year, semester system and holidays, the provisions stipulated in the Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations shall apply *mutatis mutandis*.

Chapter 11: Organization of Academic Staff

(Organization of Academic Staff)

Article 43

Academic staff employed in the graduate program of the University shall be professors, associate professors, associate professors (lecturers) and assistant professors.

2. Education and research at the United Graduate School of Child Development, Osaka University, Kanazawa University, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine, Chiba University and University of Fukui shall be implemented through the cooperative efforts of Kanazawa University, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine, Chiba University, University of Fukui and the University.

Chapter 12: Graduate School Faculty Committee etc.

(Graduate School Faculty Committee etc.)

Article 44

A graduate school may establish a Graduate School Faculty Committee etc. in order to discuss in more detail any of the matters being discussed at a Faculty Meeting of the relevant graduate school.

2. The organization of the Graduate School Faculty Committee etc. shall be pursuant to the provisions of the relevant graduate school.

Chapter 13: Special provisions for an International Collaborative Department

(Establishment of an International Collaborative Department)

Article 45

A graduate school (hereinafter referred to as graduate schools excluding Osaka University Law School) may establish a department in collaboration with an overseas graduate school (hereinafter referred to as overseas graduate schools including the United Nations University), in order to achieve the educational aims of the program (hereinafter defined as an “International Collaborative Department”).

(Development of an International Collaborative Curriculum)

Article 46

Notwithstanding the provisions stipulated in Article 5-3 and Paragraph 1 of Article 5-4, graduate schools establishing an International Collaborative Department may develop a curriculum (hereinafter defined as the “International Collaborative Curriculum”) with one or more overseas graduate school(s) which are collaborating in education and research at the International Collaborative Department (hereinafter referred to as “Overseas Partner Graduate School”). In that

case, subjects offered by said Overseas Partner Graduate School are deemed as part of curriculum of said graduate school at Osaka University.

(Jointly Offered Subject)

Article 47

Notwithstanding the provision stipulated in Article 5-3 and Paragraph 1 of Article 5-4, a graduate school establishing an International Collaborative Department may offer the subjects collaborating with the Partner Overseas Graduate School.

2. For graduate schools establishing an International Collaborative Department which offers subjects stipulated in the preceding paragraph (hereinafter referred to as “Jointly Offered Subject”), credits acquired by completing said Jointly Offered Subject by students in said International Collaborative Department may be regarded as credits acquired at said graduate school at Osaka University or said Overseas Partner Graduate School, provided that the number of credits shall be five (5) or less. However, when the number of credits acquired at the Overseas Partner Graduate School is less than the required number of credits to be acquired at the Overseas Partner Graduate School stipulated in the provisions of Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Article 49, credits acquired by completing a Jointly Offered Subject may not be regarded as credits acquired at the Overseas Partner Graduate School.

(Recognition, etc. of Credits regarding International Collaborative Curriculum(s))

Article 48

A graduate school establishing an International Collaborative Department may recognize credits acquired for coursework completed under the International Collaborative Curriculum at an Overseas Partner Graduate School as acquired credits for completed coursework under said International Collaborative Curriculum at Osaka University.

2. A graduate school establishing an International Collaborative Department may recognize Research Guidance received under the International Collaborative Curriculum at the Overseas Partner Graduate School as Research Guidance under said International Collaborative Curriculum at Osaka University.

(Requirements for Completion of International Collaborative Department)

Article 49

The requirements for the completion of International Collaborative Department shall be acquisition of at least fifteen (15) credits of coursework under International Collaborative Curriculum at a graduate school establishing an International Collaborative Department and at least ten (10) credits of coursework under said International Collaborative Curriculum at the Overseas Partner Graduate School, in addition to the requirements for the completion prescribed in Paragraphs 1 of Article 15 for the master’s degree program or the Master's Course, Paragraphs 4 and 5 of Article 15 for the doctoral degree program (excluding the Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry or Pharmacy), and Paragraph 6 of Article 15 for Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry or Pharmacy, respectively.

2. The required number of credits to be acquired by completing coursework under the International Collaborative Curriculum at a graduate school establishing an International Collaborative Department and respective Overseas Partner Graduate School, shall not include credits that may be recognized as acquired credits in accordance with Article 8, Article 8-2, and Paragraph 1 of the preceding Article. However, this shall not apply to credits that may be recognized as acquired in accordance with Article 8-2, when deemed particularly necessary for organizing and implementing the International Collaborative Curriculum.

(Tuition Fees, etc. for International Collaborative Department students)

Article 50

Notwithstanding the provisions stipulated in Paragraph 1 of Articles 34, 35 and 36, International Collaborative Department students who primarily enrolled in the Overseas Partner Graduate School shall not be charged application fees, enrollment fees, or tuition fees by Osaka University.

(Other Matters)

Article 51

In addition to these regulations, the following matters related to an International Collaborative Department shall be stipulated separately, based on discussions with the graduate school establishing an International Collaborative Department and an Overseas Partner Graduate School.

- (1) Curriculum development
- (2) Creation of an educational organization
- (3) Admission and degree conferment
- (4) Enrollment management and student safety
- (5) Financial and student support
- (6) Evaluation of educational and research activities
- (7) Other matters concerning an International Collaborative Department

Supplementary Provisions

The Osaka University Graduate School Regulations as amended shall come into effect on April 1, 2021.

Attachment 1: Enrollment quota

Graduate school	Department/Division/Course	Master's degree program; Master's Course; and graduate law school program	Doctoral Course; Doctoral Degree Program in Medicine, Dentistry, or Pharmacy; and doctoral degree program in Graduate School of	Enrollment quota

				Frontier Biosciences		
		Enrollmen t per year	Enrollment quota	Enrollme nt per year	Enrollment quota	
Letters	Studies on Cultural Forms	38	76	20	60	311
	Studies on Cultural Expressions	37	74	21	63	
	Studies on Cultural Dynamics	19	38	-	-	
	Total	94	188	41	123	
Human Sciences	Human Sciences	89	159	42	126	304
	Total	89	159	42	126	
Law and Politics	Law and Political Science	35	70	12	36	106
	Total	35	70	12	36	
Economics	Economics	50	100	20	60	241
	Business and Management	33	66	5	15	
	Total	83	166	25	75	
Science	Mathematics	32	64	16	48	910
	Physics	68	136	33	99	
	Chemistry	60	120	30	90	
	Biological Sciences	54	108	23	69	
	Macromolecular Science	24	48	11	33	
	Earth and Space Science	28	56	13	39	
	Total	266	532	126	378	
Medicine	Medicine	-	-	172	688	959
	Medical Sciences	20	40	-	-	
	Health Sciences	81	162	23	69	
	Total	101	202	195	757	
Dentistry	Oral Science			40	<u>175</u>	<u>175</u>
	Total			40	<u>175</u>	
Pharmaceutical Sciences	Advanced Pharmaco-science	75	150	20	60	250
	Medical Pharmacy	-	-	10	40	
	Total	75	150	30	100	
Engineering	Biotechnology	63	<u>126</u>	12	<u>24</u>	
	Applied Chemistry	97	<u>194</u>	26	<u>52</u>	
	Precision Engineering and Applied Physics	72	<u>144</u>	19	<u>38</u>	
	Mechanical Engineering	96	<u>192</u>	23	<u>46</u>	
	Materials and Manufacturing Science	118	<u>236</u>	31	<u>62</u>	

	Electrical, Electronic and Infocommunications Engineering	141	<u>282</u>	30	<u>60</u>	<u>2,017</u>
	Sustainable Energy and Environmental Engineering	82	<u>164</u>	16	<u>32</u>	
	Global Architecture,	104	<u>208</u>	23	69	
	Management of Industry and Technology	38	<u>76</u>	4	12	
	Total	811	<u>1,622</u>	184	<u>395</u>	
Engineering Science	Materials Engineering Science	113	226	31	93	744
	Mechanical Science and Bioengineering	59	118	15	45	
	Systems Innovation	95	190	24	72	
	Total	267	534	70	210	
Language and Culture	Language and Culture	32	64	15	45	218
	Language and Society	25	50	8	24	
	Japanese Language and Culture	10	20	5	15	
	Total	67	134	28	84	
Osaka School of International Public Policy	International Public Policy	19	38	11	33	133
	Comparative Public Policy	16	32	10	30	
	Total	35	70	21	63	
Information Science and Technology	Pure and Applied Mathematics	12	24	5	15	<u>412</u>
	Information and Physical Sciences	<u>20</u>	<u>34</u>	5	15	
	Computer Science	<u>26</u>	<u>46</u>	6	18	
	Information Systems Engineering	<u>26</u>	<u>46</u>	7	21	
	Information Networking	<u>26</u>	<u>46</u>	7	21	
	Multimedia Engineering	<u>26</u>	<u>46</u>	7	21	
	Bioinformatic Engineering	<u>24</u>	<u>41</u>	6	18	
	Total	<u>160</u>	<u>283</u>	43	129	
Frontier Biosciences	Frontier Biosciences			55	275	275
	Total			55	275	
Osaka University Law School	Legal Practice	80	240			240
	Total	80	240			
United Graduate School of	Child Development			15	45	45
	Total			15	45	

Child Developme nt, Osaka University, Kanazawa University, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine, Chiba University and University of Fukui						
Total		<u>2,163</u>	<u>4,369</u>	927	<u>2,971</u>	<u>7,340</u>

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Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations

Chapter 1: General Provisions

(Purpose)

Article 1

These regulations specify the requirements necessary for students to complete their studies, including the period of study and the content of the curriculum, at Osaka University (hereinafter referred to as the “University”).

(Declaration of Aims for Education and Research, etc.)

Article 1-2

The University shall determine and publicly announce the aims for educating individuals and other aims related to education and research for each School/Faculty (hereinafter referred to as “School”) and Department/Division (hereinafter referred to as “Department”).

(Schools and Departments)

Article 2

The University has the following Schools and Departments.

School of Letters:	Department of Humanities
School of Human Sciences:	Department of Human Sciences
School of Foreign Studies:	Department of Foreign Studies
School of Law:	Department of Law, Department of International Public Policy
School of Economics:	Department of Economics and Business
School of Science:	Department of Mathematics, Department of Physics, Department of Chemistry, Department of Biological Sciences
Faculty of Medicine:	Medical School, School of Allied Health Sciences
School of Dentistry:	Department of Dentistry
School of Pharmaceutical Sciences:	Department of Pharmacy
School of Engineering:	Division of Applied Science; Division of Mechanical, Materials and Manufacturing Science; Division of Electronic and Information Engineering; Division of Sustainable Energy and Environmental Engineering; Division of Global Architecture
School of Engineering Science:	Department of Electronics and Materials Physics, Department of Chemical Science and Engineering, Department of Systems Science, Department of Information and Computer Sciences

(Enrollment Quota)

Article 3

The maximum number of students accepted into the Schools and Departments specified in the preceding Article shall be as shown in Attachment 1.

(Academic Year)

Article 4

The academic year shall commence on April 1, and end on March 31 of the following year.

(Term System)

Article 5

The academic year shall be divided into four terms as follows:

Spring Term

Summer Term

Fall Term

Winter Term

2 The Spring Term starts on April 1 and the Fall Term starts on October 1, though the President may designate the first day of the Summer Term and Winter Term.

3 The Summer Term ends on September 30 and the Winter Term ends on March 31, though the President may designate the last day of the Spring term and Fall term.

(Holidays)

Article 6

University holidays shall be as follows:

Sundays and Saturdays

Holidays stipulated in the Act on National Holidays (Act No. 178, 1948)

Anniversary of the Founding of Osaka University: May 1

Spring Vacation: April 1 to April 10

Summer Vacation: August 5 to September 30

Winter Vacation: December 25 to January 7 of the following year

2. The Dean of each School may change the dates of the spring vacation, summer vacation and winter vacation from time to time in accordance with the needs of the relevant School upon obtaining permission from the President.

3. The President may designate other special holidays.

Article 7 Deleted.

Chapter 2: Students

(Period of Study)

Article 8

Four (4) years of schooling shall be required for graduation, except the Faculty of Medicine's Medical School, the School of Dentistry and the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, for which six (6) years of schooling shall be required.

2. Pursuant to the provision of Article 10-5, students who have received permission to complete the curriculum over an extended period (hereinafter referred to as "Long-term Students") shall complete their studies within the approved time limit.

(Maximum Period of Enrollment)

Article 9

The maximum period of enrollment (including that for Long-term Students) shall be eight (8) years, except the Faculty of Medicine's Medical School, the School of Dentistry and the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, for which the maximum period of enrollment shall be twelve (12) years.

2. Notwithstanding the provision of the preceding paragraph, the maximum period of enrollment for a student who receives permission to enroll pursuant to the provisions of Article 14 through Article 15 shall be set forth separately in the regulations for the relevant School.

3. Any student who exceeds the maximum period of enrollment stipulated in the preceding two paragraphs shall forfeit his or her student status.

(Curriculum, Course Requirements, etc.)

Article 10

The curriculum shall include the subjects necessary to fulfill the educational aims of the University and each School and Department, with subjects organized systematically based on liberal arts, academic majors, and global literacy.

2. Subjects shall be divided as follows:

Liberal arts

A door to academia, liberal arts education, advanced liberal arts education, informatics, health and sports education subjects, advanced seminar, communication design subjects

Academic major

Professional basic education subjects, major subjects

Global literacy

Multilingual education, advanced global literacy education, international exchange subjects, global initiative subjects

3. The subjects stipulated in the preceding paragraph and course requirements for completion shall be stipulated separately in the regulations for the relevant School. However, the subjects established through joint efforts of all Schools shall be stipulated separately as university-wide general education subjects.

4. Notwithstanding the provision of the preceding paragraph, the establishment of and course requirements for Liberal Arts' communication design subjects, Global Literacy's international exchange subjects and global initiative subjects shall be stipulated separately.

5. In addition to the subjects stipulated in Paragraph 2 above, Teaching certificate subjects shall be established, and the subjects and the course requirements shall be stipulated separately.

(Graduate Program for Advanced Interdisciplinary Studies etc.)

Article 10-2

In addition to the curriculum stipulated in the preceding Article, the Graduate program for advanced interdisciplinary studies shall be established in order to cultivate knowledge in a wide range of areas.

2. Other matters necessary for the Graduate program for advanced interdisciplinary studies shall be stipulated separately.

(Method of Class)

Article 10-2-2

Classes shall be given in the form of lectures, seminars, laboratory work, practical training or practical implementation, or any combination of these methods.

2. Pursuant to the rules established separately by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (hereinafter referred to as “MEXT”), the classes stipulated in the preceding paragraph may be given in locations other than those for which the classes are originally intended, by using a variety of advanced media.

3. The classes stipulated in Paragraph 1 above may be given abroad, including the classes which shall be given in locations other than those for which the classes are originally intended, by using a variety of advanced media pursuant to the provisions of the preceding paragraph.

4. Pursuant to the rules established separately by MEXT, a part of the classes stipulated in Paragraph 1 above may be given in locations other than school buildings or affiliated facilities.

(Method for Calculating Credits)

Article 10-2-3

In regard to establishing the number of credits for each subject, the following standards shall be used to calculate the number of credits, taking into consideration the educational effectiveness of the relevant class, the amount of studying required outside of class time and other factors in accordance with the method of instruction, based on the standard that a one-credit class shall comprise content that requires forty-five (45) hours of learning.

- (1) Lectures and seminars: Classes that range from fifteen (15) to thirty (30) hours as stipulated in the regulations for the relevant School and University-Wide General Education Regulations shall be worth one credit.

(2) Laboratory work, practical training or practical implementation: Classes that range from thirty (30) to forty-five (45) hours as stipulated in the regulations for the relevant School and University-Wide General Education Regulations shall be worth one credit.

(3) In the event that two or more methods (lectures, seminars, laboratory work, practical training or practical implementation) are used for a single subject, depending on the combination, classes of the length stipulated in the regulations for the relevant School and University-Wide General Regulations shall be worth one credit, taking into consideration the standards listed in the preceding two items.

2. Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraphs, for classes for a bachelor's thesis or bachelor's research, the number of credits can be stipulated based on the amount of studying required, if the results of the work are evaluated and it is deemed appropriate to grant credits for that work.

(Certificates of Learning, etc.)

Article 10-2-4

For students who have acquired credits for systematic courses with a part of the curriculum stipulated in Article 10 and according to the provisions stipulated in Article 163-2 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the School Education Law (Ministry of Education Ordinance No. 11, 1947), Certificates of Learning can be issued.

2. The systematic courses in the preceding paragraph are referred to as 学修証明プログラム (the Learning Certificate Program).

3. Other necessary matters concerning the Learning Certificate Program shall be stipulated separately.

(Subjects Completed at Other Universities etc.)

Article 10-3

Where the Dean of the relevant School (hereafter "Dean of the relevant School" shall include individuals who have been given the power to act on behalf of said Dean of the relevant School), with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting, deems it educationally beneficial, a student may complete classes at another university, Specialist college or junior college (hereafter "junior college" shall also include Specialist colleges), overseas university (hereafter "overseas university" shall include overseas universities equivalent to Specialist colleges) or overseas junior college, based on discussions with that institution. However, the process of discussion with an overseas university or junior college may be omitted if doing so is difficult due to unforeseen circumstances.

2. Credits earned by a student at a university, Specialist junior college, overseas university or overseas junior college pursuant to the provision of the preceding paragraph may be applied toward the credits required for graduation, up to a maximum of 60 credits.

(Education Completed at a Non-University Educational Facility)

Article 10-3-2

Where the Dean of the relevant School, with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting, deems it educationally beneficial, studying completed by a student at a junior college or in an advanced course at a technical college, or other type of education facility recognized by the Minister of MEXT, may be treated by the University as completion of subject, and may be granted credits in accordance with the regulations of the relevant School.

2. Credits granted pursuant to the provision of the preceding paragraph shall not exceed 60 credits in total when combined with credits acquired as stipulated in Paragraph 2 of the preceding Article.

(Approval of Credits Acquired Prior to Enrollment)

Article 10-4

Where the Dean of the relevant School, with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting, deems it educationally beneficial, the credits acquired by a student at a university Specialist college, junior college, overseas university or overseas junior college prior to enrollment at the University may be recognized by the University as acquired credits. (This includes credits acquired as a credited auditor stipulated in Paragraph 1 of Article 31 of the Standards for the Establishment of Universities, Ministry of Education Ordinance No. 28, 1956, and special course students stipulated in Paragraph 2 of the same Article)

2. Where the Dean of the relevant School, with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting, deems it educationally beneficial, studies completed by a student prior to enrollment at the University as stipulated in Paragraph 1 of the preceding Article may be treated by the University as completion of subject and may be granted credits in accordance with the regulations of the relevant School.

3. The number of credits that can be recognized as acquired credits or granted pursuant to the provisions of the preceding two paragraphs (excluding the individuals admitted to the University or accepted as a transfer student under Article 14 through Article 15) shall be limited to 60 credits in total when combined with credits granted pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 2 of Article 10-3 and Paragraph 2 of the preceding Article.

(Long-Term Completion of Curriculum)

Article 10-5

When a student, due to employment or other causes, expresses the wish to exceed the maximum period of enrollment as stipulated in Paragraph 1 of Article 8 and complete the curriculum and graduate during a planned period of time, the Dean of the relevant School may permit the planned completion of the curriculum.

(Acquisition of Required Qualifications to Obtain a Teaching Certificate)

Article 10-6

The methods for acquiring the required qualifications for obtaining a teaching certificate at the University shall be set forth separately.

(Examinations and Evaluations)

Article 10-7

An evaluation of a student's mastery of a completed subject shall be determined by a written examination conducted by the academic staff responsible for that subject. However, other evaluation methods may be used in place of a written examination.

2. Grading for examinations for each subject shall be expressed using the following system, with 100 points as the top score. S, A, B and C indicate passing grades, while F indicates a failing grade.

S: 90 points or higher

A: 80 – 89 points

B: 70 – 79 points

C: 60 – 69 points

F: Less than 60 points

(Specification of Grading Standards etc.)

Article 10-8

The University must clearly specify to students the method of instruction, content and annual plan for classes.

2. In order for the University to maintain a strict and objective evaluation of academic progress and approve graduation, the University must clearly specify the grading standards to students, and conduct evaluations appropriately in accordance with those standards.

(Systematic Training for Improvements in Educational Content)

Article 10-9

The University shall conduct systematic training and research in order to improve the content and methods of classes.

(Admission)

Article 11

Admission at the University shall commence at the beginning of the academic year. Admission may be permitted at the beginning of the Summer Term, Fall Term or Winter Term, provided that the Dean of the relevant School deems that there is a special need and that doing so shall in no way impede education.

Article 12

In order to be admitted to the University, a student must fulfill one of the following requirements:

- (1) Graduation from a high school or secondary school.
- (2) Completion of twelve (12) years of regular formal education, or completion of an equivalent school education by means of a curriculum other than the regular curriculum.
- (3) Completion of twelve (12) years of formal education overseas or an equivalent education overseas that is recognized by the Minister of MEXT.
- (4) Completion of the curriculum at a Japanese educational facility overseas that is recognized by the Minister of MEXT as providing a curriculum equivalent to a high school curriculum.

- (5) Completion of an upper secondary course at a specialized training college, with completion of the requirements designated separately by the Minister of MEXT after the date of designation (limited to schools which require three (3) or more years of study and which fulfill the standards established by the Minister of MEXT).
- (6) Designation by the Minister of MEXT.
- (7) Successful completion of the Certificate for Students Achieving the Proficiency Level of Upper Secondary School Graduates as specified in the Rules for Certification for Students Achieving the Proficiency Level of Upper Secondary School Graduates (MEXT Ordinance No. 1, 2005). (This includes individuals who passed the University Entrance Qualification Examination referred to in the Regulations for University Entrance Qualification Examination (Ministry of Education Ordinance No. 13, 1951) prior to its abolishment, as defined in Article 2 of the Supplementary Provisions to these regulations).
- (8) Individuals who are eighteen (18) years of age or older, and who are recognized by the University as having academic capabilities equal to or exceeding a high school graduate, based on a separate entrance examination qualifications evaluation.

Article 13

A selection examination shall be held for individuals wishing to enroll in the University, and the President, with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting, shall determine which individuals may receive approval for admission.

2. Details regarding the selection examination shall be set forth separately.

Article 14

The President, with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting, may admit individuals who meet one of the following requirements to the University in accordance with the regulations of the relevant School.

- (1) Individuals who have graduated from one School and who wish to enroll in another School or other Department of the same School (for the School of Letters, School of Human Sciences and School of Foreign Studies, another field of major within the same Department).
- (2) Individuals who have withdrawn voluntarily from a School and wish to be readmitted to that School.
- (3) Individuals who have graduated from a school at a different university or Specialist college and wish to enroll in a School at the University.

2. The President, with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting, may accept individuals (limited to individuals who have completed education as stipulated in Paragraph 1 of Article 90 of the School Education Law) who have graduated from a high school, upper secondary school or a special needs high school Advanced Course (limited to schools which require two (2) or more years of study and which fulfill the standards established by the Minister of MEXT) and wish to transfer to a School, as transfer students in accordance with the regulations that School.

3. The President, with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting, may accept individuals who have

graduated from a technical college and wish to transfer to the School of Engineering or School of Engineering Science, as transfer students in accordance with the regulations of the relevant School.

Article 14-2

The President, with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting, may accept individuals who meet one of the following requirements and who wish to enroll in the School of Law from the third year, for admission in accordance with the regulations of that School.

- (1) Individuals who have graduated from a university or Specialist college or who have received a bachelor's degree pursuant to the provision of Paragraph 7 of Article 104 of the School Education Law.
- (2) Individuals who have been enrolled at a university or Specialist college for at least two (2) years, and who have acquired the credits required by the School of Law (stipulated separately).
- (3) Individuals who have completed at least fourteen (14) years of formal education overseas (including any period of regular formal education completed in Japan; limited to individuals who have completed their last two (2) or more consecutive years of formal education overseas).
- (4) Individuals who have graduated from a junior college or technical college.

Article 14-3

The President, with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting, may accept individuals who meet one of the following requirements and who wish to enroll in the School of Human Sciences or School of Economics from the third year for admission in accordance with the regulations of the relevant School.

- (1) Individuals who have graduated from a university or Specialist college or who have received a bachelor's degree pursuant to the provision of Paragraph 7 of Article 104 of the School Education Law.
- (2) Individuals who have been enrolled at a university or Specialist college for at least two (2) years, and who have acquired the credits required by the relevant School (stipulated separately).
- (3) Individuals who have graduated from a junior college or technical college.
- (4) Individuals who have completed formal education overseas equivalent to the requirements listed in the preceding three items.

Article 14-4

The President, with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting, may accept individuals who wish to enroll in the School of Foreign Studies from the third year, the Faculty of Medicine from the second or third year, or the School of Dentistry from the third year, for admission in accordance with the regulations of the relevant School.

Article 15

The President, with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting, may accept individuals who are students at a school at a different university or Specialist college and wish to transfer to the University,

as transfer students in accordance with the regulations of the relevant School.

2. Individuals who have applied for transfer pursuant to the provision of the preceding paragraph must submit, with the request for transfer, a letter of permission from the president of the relevant university or Specialist college.

Article 16

In terms of the period of study, individuals who are accepted for admission pursuant to the provisions of Article 14 through the preceding Article and who are recognized as having academic capabilities equal to or exceeding those of a student who has completed the subjects for at least one (1) academic year at the University may be considered as having fulfilled at least one (1) year of academic work at the University.

2. An examination may be conducted as needed in order to ascertain the fulfillment of the above requirement in accordance with the regulations of the relevant School.

Article 17

An individual who wishes to enroll must submit an application form for admission along with the necessary documents stipulated separately by the appropriate deadline.

Article 18

Approval for admission shall be granted to those individuals who have submitted the necessary documents (stipulated separately) and who have completed the necessary procedures, including payment of the enrollment fee.

Article 19

Approval for admission may be withdrawn in the event of discovery of a forgery or falsehood in the procedures described in the preceding two Articles or elsewhere.

Article 19-2

Individuals who fall under one of the following categories and who have not paid the necessary enrollment fee by the required deadline shall forfeit their status:

- (1) Individuals who applied for exemption from the enrollment fee pursuant to the provision of Paragraph 1 or Paragraph 2 of Article 45-2, and who were not approved for exemption or were approved for only a partial exemption.
- (2) Individuals being considered for deferred payment of the enrollment fee pursuant to the provision of Paragraph 1 or Paragraph 2 of Article 45-3.

(Transfer to Another School)

Article 19-3

The Dean of the relevant School may accept students who wish to transfer to the School or Department in accordance with the regulations of the relevant School.

2. Students who wish to transfer to another School pursuant to the provision of the preceding paragraph must submit, with the request for transfer, a letter of permission from the Dean of the current School.

3. The Dean of the relevant School, with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting, shall determine whether to count the credits earned previously and the previous enrollment period toward graduation requirements for students transferred to the School in the case of Paragraph 1 of this Article.

(Transfer to Another University)

Article 20

Students who wish to transfer to another university or Specialist college must make a request to the Dean of the relevant School and receive permission.

(Study Abroad)

Article 20-2

Pursuant to the provision of Paragraph 1 of Article 10-3, a student who wishes to study at an overseas university or overseas junior college must make a request to the Dean of the relevant School, and receive permission.

2. The period for study abroad stipulated in the preceding paragraph shall be included in the calculation of the period of study as set forth in Article 8.

(Leave of Absence)

Article 21

A student who is unable to study for three (3) months or more due to illness or other reason may take a leave of absence for the remainder of the academic year after receiving permission from the Dean of the relevant School.

Article 22

The Dean of the relevant School may order a student to take a leave of absence in the event that the student is deemed to be incapable of studying due to illness.

Article 23

The period of the leave of absence shall not be included in the calculation of the number of years enrolled.

Article 24

The period of the leave of absence must not exceed four (4) years. However, for the Faculty of Medicine's Medical School, the School of Dentistry and the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, the period of the leave of absence must not exceed six (6) years.

2. Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, for the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, the period of the leave of absence may be extended, provided that the Dean of the School of

Pharmaceutical Sciences deems that there is an event of extenuating circumstances.

Article 25

During the period of the leave of absence, if the reason for the leave of absence is resolved, a student may return to the relevant School upon receiving permission from the Dean of the School.

(Voluntary Withdrawal)

Article 26

A student who is considering voluntary withdrawal from a School must submit to the Dean of the School a “Request for Voluntary Withdrawal” which gives a detailed account of the reason for voluntary withdrawal, and receive permission.

Article 27 Deleted.

(Graduation)

Article 28

Individuals who have been enrolled at the University for the length of time stipulated in Article 8 and who have completed the relevant subjects, received the relevant number of credits and passed the examination stipulated in the regulations for the relevant School may be approved for graduation by the Dean of the relevant School after consideration at a Faculty Meeting.

2. Notwithstanding the provision of the preceding paragraph, students who have been enrolled at the University for at least three (3) years (excluding the Faculty of Medicine’s Medical School, the School of Dentistry and the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences), and who have been recognized as fulfilling the relevant School’s required credits for graduation with exemplary grades, may be approved for graduation in accordance with the regulations of the relevant School after consideration at a Faculty Meeting.

3. The Dean of the relevant School must submit a written report to the President upon approval for graduation as stipulated in the preceding two paragraphs.

4. Among the credits required for graduation pursuant to the provision of Paragraph 1 above, the number of credits to be acquired by taking classes must not exceed sixty (60) as stipulated in Paragraph 2 of Article 10-2-2.

(Bachelor’s Degree)

Article 29

The President shall approve individuals to graduate pursuant to the provisions of the preceding Article and confer upon them a bachelor’s degree.

2. The degree specified in the preceding paragraph shall be appended with the name of the field of major in accordance with the classifications of each School or Department, as listed below.

School of Letters: Arts (文学)

School of Human Sciences: Human Sciences (人間科学)
School of Foreign Studies: Arts in Language and Culture (言語・文化)
School of Law: Laws (法学)
School of Economics: Economics (経済学)
School of Science: Science (理学)
Faculty of Medicine: Medical School – Doctor of Medicine (医学)
School of Allied Health Sciences – Nursing (看護学), Health Science (保健衛生学)
School of Dentistry: Doctor of Dental Surgery (歯学)
School of Pharmaceutical Sciences: Pharmacy (薬学)
School of Engineering: Engineering (工学)
School of Engineering Science: Engineering (工学)

3. Individuals who have received a bachelor's degree from the University shall include the name Osaka University when using the name of the degree.

4. The format for the bachelor's diploma is shown in Attachment 2.

(Required Withdrawal)

Article 30 Deleted.

Article 31

If a student does not attend class for an extended period of time without a valid reason, or is not expected to fulfill academic requirements, this may result in the required withdrawal of the student at the discretion of with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting and the president.

Article 32

If a student is delinquent in paying the tuition fee, and does not pay the tuition fee even after being given a reminder, this may result in the required withdrawal of the student at the discretion of the Dean of the relevant School.

(Reinstatement)

Article 32-2

The Dean of the relevant School may reinstate an individual who has been required to withdraw pursuant to the provision of the preceding Article and who has applied for reinstatement in accordance with the regulations of the relevant School.

(Disciplinary Action)

Article 33

The President may discipline a student, with the approval of the relevant Faculty Meeting, in the event that the student conducts an action that violates the regulations of the University or demonstrates an action contrary to proper student conduct.

2. Discipline may take the form of a warning, suspension or expulsion.
3. The period of suspension shall be included in the calculation of the maximum period of enrollment as stipulated in Article 9, but not count toward the period of study as stipulated in Article 8. However, in the event that the period of suspension is less than one (1) month, the period may be included in the calculation of the period of study.
4. The procedures for disciplinary action shall be set forth separately.

Chapter 3: Special Auditors, Credited Auditors, Auditors and Research Students

(Special Auditors, Credited Auditors, Auditors and Research Students)

Article 34

Based on an agreement with another university, Specialist college, junior college, technical college, overseas university or overseas junior college, the Dean of the relevant School may accept a student at that School for enrollment as a special auditor and said student can attend classes accordingly.

Article 34-2

The Dean of the relevant School may accept an individual who chooses to study one or more subjects from among the coursework to acquire credit for enrollment as a credited auditor based on the results of screening by the relevant School.

Article 35

The Dean of the relevant School may accept an individual who wishes to choose and study one or more subjects from among the coursework for enrollment as an auditor based on the results of screening by the relevant School.

Article 36

The Dean of the relevant School may accept an individual who wishes to do research on a particular subject in a School for enrollment as a research student based on the results of screening by that School.

2. The commencement date for research students shall be the start of the academic year. However, this may be adjusted in the event of extenuating circumstances.
3. In principle, the length of the period of enrollment for research students shall be limited to one (1) year. However, this may be extended in the event that an extension is deemed necessary for the purpose of the relevant research.

Article 37

Individuals who wish to enroll as special auditors, credited auditors, auditors or research students must submit an application form along with the necessary documents stipulated separately to the Dean of the relevant School.

Article 38

Extra expenses required for practical training or research shall be the responsibility of the credited auditor or research student.

Article 38-2

If a special auditor, credited auditor, auditor or research student falls under one of the following categories, this may result in the required withdrawal of the student at the discretion of the Dean of the relevant School.

- (1) Individuals who are not expected to fulfill the academic requirements.
- (2) Individuals who are delinquent in paying tuition fees, and who do not pay the tuition fees even after being given a reminder.

Article 39

In addition to these regulations, matters relating to special auditors, credited auditors, auditors and research students shall be set forth in the regulations for each School.

Chapter 4: Special Courses

(Extension Programs)

Article 39-2

Extension Programs shall be established in the University as a special curriculum stipulated in Article 105 of the School Education Law for persons other than students of the University.

2. Other necessary matters concerning the Extension Programs shall be stipulated separately.

Chapter 5: International Students

(International Students)

Article 40

In the event that there are foreigners who wish to enroll in the University as students, special auditors, credited auditors, auditors or research students, they may be accepted for enrollment at the University by the President or the Dean of the relevant School based on the results of a screening process.

2. The individuals who have been accepted pursuant to the provisions of the preceding paragraph shall be referred to as “international students.”

Article 41 Deleted.

Article 42 Deleted.

Article 43 Deleted.

Chapter 6: Application Fees, Enrollment Fees and Tuition Fees

(Payment of Application Fee)

Article 44

Individuals who wish to enroll in the University must pay an application fee at the time of submitting application documents.

(Exemption from Application Fee)

Article 44-2

The application fee may be exempted for an individual whose reason is deemed appropriate by the President, as stipulated separately.

(Payment of Enrollment Fee)

Article 45

Individuals who have been admitted to the University must pay the enrollment fee by the appropriate deadline.

(Exemption from Enrollment Fee)

Article 45-2

Individuals planning to enroll in the University (excluding individuals who will enroll as credited auditors, auditors and research students; this applies to the rest of this paragraph, the following paragraph, and Paragraphs 1 and 2 of the following Article) who are recognized as having difficulty in paying the enrollment fee due to one of the extenuating circumstances listed below may be granted exemption from payment of all or part of the enrollment fee.

- (1) Within one (1) year prior to enrollment, the person responsible for the academic expenses of the enrolling individual (hereinafter referred to as the “Academic Expense Payer”) has died, or the enrolling individual or the Academic Expense Payer has suffered damage caused by storm, flood or other natural disaster.
- (2) There is another valid reason similar in substance to the reasons specified in the preceding item, which the President deems appropriate.

2. In addition to the matters stipulated in the preceding paragraph, all or part of the enrollment fee may be exempted for individuals planning to enroll in the University who satisfy the requirements for an enrollment fee waiver support under the Act on Support for Studying at Educational Institutions of Higher Education (Act No. 8, 2019; hereinafter referred to as the “Study Support Act”), as stipulated separately.

3. In the event that an individual has forfeited student status pursuant to the provision of Article 19-2, the enrollment fee for that student may be exempted, as stipulated separately.

4. The enrollment fee may be exempted for individuals who have been admitted to one School at the University, and, after completing procedures for enrollment in that School (excluding transfer students and students enrolling as auditors or research students), decline that enrollment and complete procedures for enrollment at a different School.

5. In addition to the four preceding paragraphs, the enrollment fee may be exempted for an individual whose reason is deemed appropriate by the President, as stipulated separately.

Article 45-3

An enrolling individual for whom any of the following applies may be granted deferred payment of the enrollment fee, as stipulated separately.

- (1) An individual recognized as having difficulty in paying the enrollment fee by the deadline due to financial reasons.
- (2) An individual recognized as having difficulty in paying the enrollment fee by the deadline due to the reasons given in Item (1) of Paragraph 1 of the preceding Article.
- (3) Any other extenuating circumstances recognized by the President.

2. In addition to the matter stipulated in the preceding paragraph, in the event that an application for an enrollment fee exemption based on the Study Support Act is accepted from an enrolling individual, collection of the enrollment fee may be deferred, as stipulated separately.

3. The period for which deferred payment of the enrollment fee is granted as described in the preceding two paragraphs shall not exceed the academic year during which the student enrolls.

Article 45-4

An individual who wishes to apply for exemption from or deferred payment of the enrollment fee pursuant to the provision of Paragraph 1 or 2 of Article 45-2 or Paragraph 1 or 2 of the preceding Article must submit the appropriate documents to the President by the appropriate deadline.

2. The payment of the enrollment fee by an individual who has applied for an exemption from or deferred payment of the enrollment fee pursuant to the provision of the preceding paragraph may be postponed until a decision is made on whether to accept the application or not.

(Payment of Tuition Fee)

Article 46

A student must pay the annual tuition fee in two equal installments, with half of the annual amount to be paid by the appropriate deadline for the first semester (April – September), and the second half to be paid by the appropriate deadline for the second semester (October – March). However, in the case of extenuating circumstances, approval may be given for payment in monthly installments.

2. Notwithstanding the provision of Paragraph 1 of this Article, a student may pay the tuition fee for the second semester of the relevant academic year at the time of payment of the tuition fee for the first semester.

3. Special auditors, credited auditors, auditors and research students must pay the tuition fee for the number of credits or number of months for each semester of enrollment pursuant to Paragraph 1 above (excluding the proviso).

4. Individuals who have received permission to pay in monthly installments in accordance with the proviso of Paragraph 1 above must pay an amount equivalent to one-twelfth of the annual tuition fee each month. However, tuition fees due during the summer or winter vacation must be paid before the

start of those periods.

Article 47

The tuition fee for a student who has withdrawn for any reason or been expelled shall be levied for that period, unless otherwise specified.

2. The tuition fee for a student who has been suspended shall be levied for that period.

(Exemption from Payment of Tuition Fee)

Article 48

The tuition fee for a student taking a leave of absence shall be exempted on a per month basis, starting from the month following the month that the leave of absence commenced (or the same month, if the leave of absence commenced on the first day of the month) until the month prior to the month that the student returns to school. However, this does not apply for the first semester if the leave of absence commences in May or later and approval has not been received by the last day of April, or for the second semester if the leave of absence commences in November or later and approval has not been received by the last day of October, and the student has not received approval for deferred payment of the tuition fee or payment in monthly installments.

2. In the event that an individual forfeits student status pursuant to the provision of Article 19-2, has been required to withdrawal pursuant to the provision of Article 32 or Article 38-2, or is removed from the register due to death or being missing, the entire amount of tuition fees unpaid for that student may be exempted.

3. In the event that a student who was approved for deferred payment of the tuition fee pursuant to the provision of Article 49 decides to voluntarily withdraw from the University, the entire amount of tuition fees that were to be levied from the month following voluntary withdrawal from the University may be exempted on a per month basis.

Article 49

A student of the University (excluding credited auditors, auditors and research students [this also applies to the following paragraph]) who is recognized as having difficulty paying the tuition fee due to financial reasons, or is recognized as having other extenuating circumstances, may be exempted from payment of all or part of the tuition fee, or be allowed to defer payment, pursuant to stipulations set forth separately.

2. In addition to the matters stipulated in the preceding paragraph, a student of the University who is recognized as having satisfied the requirements of tuition waiver support (based on the “Study Support Act”), may be exempted from payment of all or part of their tuition fee, or be allowed to defer payment, pursuant to stipulations set forth separately.

3. The period of deferment of payment stipulated in the preceding two paragraphs shall not exceed the relevant academic year.

A student of the University (excluding credited auditors, auditors and research students) who is recognized as having difficulty paying the tuition fee due to financial reasons, or is recognized as having other extenuating circumstances, may be exempted from payment of all or part of the tuition fee, or be allowed to defer payment, pursuant to stipulations set forth separately.

2. The period of deferment of payment stipulated in the preceding paragraph shall not exceed the relevant academic year.

Article 49-2

In addition to the preceding two Articles, the tuition fee may be exempted for an individual whose reason is deemed appropriate by the President, as stipulated separately.

Article 50

An individual who wishes to be exempted from or defer payment of the tuition fee pursuant to the provisions of Article 49 (including requests for payment in monthly installments, here and below) must submit a request to the President by the appropriate deadline, along with a detailed explanation of the reason for the request.

2. Payment of the tuition fee by an individual who has requested an exemption from or deferred payment of the tuition fee pursuant to the preceding paragraph may be postponed until a decision has been made on whether to accept the request or not.

Article 51

For each payment period, the President shall determine which students are to be granted an exemption from or deferment of tuition fee payments.

Article 52

In the event that a student who has been granted an exemption from tuition fee payments loses the reason for that exemption, the student shall pay the tuition fee on a monthly basis, beginning from that month until the end of the relevant term.

2. In the event that a student who has been granted deferred payment of the tuition fee loses the reason for that deferment, the tuition fee must be paid immediately.

(Non-Levying of Tuition Fees etc.)

Article 52-2

Notwithstanding the provisions of Articles 44 and 45, application fees and enrollment fees shall not be levied on special auditors.

2. Notwithstanding the provision of Paragraph 3 of Article 46, tuition fees shall not be levied when a special auditor falls under one of the following categories.

(1) A student of a national university or national Specialist college

- (2) A student of a public/private university, public/private Specialist college, public/private junior college, national/public/private technical college and is studying under credit exchange agreement (including inter-faculty exchange agreements) which specifies a mutual, non-levying of tuition fees with the University.

3. Notwithstanding the provisions of Articles 44, 45 and 46, application fees, enrollment fees and tuition fees shall not be levied on individuals who enroll under the Japanese Government Scholarship Student System Implementation Guidelines (Minister of Education decision, March 31, 1954) or individuals who enroll based on an inter-university academic exchange agreement (including inter-faculty exchange agreements) which specifies a mutual non-levying of application fees, enrollment fees and tuition fees between the University and an overseas university etc.

(Amount of Application Fees, Enrollment Fees and Tuition Fees)

Article 53

The amount of the application fee specified in Article 44, the enrollment fee specified in Article 45 and the tuition fee specified in Article 46 shall be stipulated in the Osaka University Student Fee Regulations (hereinafter referred to as “Fee Regulations”).

(Paid Application Fees, Enrollment Fees and Tuition Fees)

Article 54

Application fees, enrollment fees and tuition fees that have already been paid shall not be refunded.

2. Notwithstanding the provision of the preceding paragraph, if any of the following applies to an individual with regard to the selection examination stipulated in Article 13, that individual may apply for a refund of the appropriate amount of the application fee stipulated in the preceding paragraph in accordance with the amount specified below.

- (1) When application documents are screened (hereinafter referred to as “Stage 1 Screening”) and successful applicants from Stage 1 are evaluated in terms of academic capability or other additional factors (hereinafter referred to as “Stage 2 Screening”), the amount equivalent to the application fees for Stage 2 Screening as specified in Paragraph 4 of Article 2 of the Fee Regulations (hereinafter referred to as the “Stage 2 Screening application fee amount”) can be refunded to individuals who failed to pass the Stage 1 Screening.
- (2) An individual who, after submitting an application, is determined to be ineligible for application due to subjects not taken in the National Center for University Entrance Examinations' Common Test for University Admissions may be granted a refund for the Stage 2 Screening application fee amount.

3. If, pursuant to the provision of Paragraph 2 of Article 46, a student pays the second semester tuition fee together with the first semester tuition fee, and then takes a leave of absence or voluntarily withdraws before the end of the first semester, an amount equivalent to the second semester tuition fee may be refunded when requested by the individual who made the payment.

4. If, pursuant to the provision of Paragraph 2 of Article 45-2 or Paragraph 2 of Article 49, if individuals who paid the enrollment fee are accepted for an exemption of said enrollment fee or tuition fee, an amount equivalent to the enrollment fee or tuition fee may be refunded.

Chapter 7: Dormitories etc.

(Dormitories)

Article 55

The University shall provide housing facilities (hereinafter referred to as “Dormitories”) for domestic and international students.

2. The Dormitories fall under the supervision of the President.

Article 56

Necessary matters related to Dormitories shall be set forth separately.

Supplementary Provision

1. The Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations as amended shall come into effect on April 1, 2019.
2. Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 10 after the amendment, students currently enrolled in a pre-existing curriculum as of March 31, 2019 or students re-enrolling, transferring or entering as a non-first-year student from another institution, after April 1, 2019 shall remain in that pre-existing curriculum as long as they are in accordance with the provisions then in force.
3. With regard to the application of Article 10 before the amendment, in the case of the preceding paragraph, following the “Global collaboration subjects” in Paragraph 2, “Global literacy, Global initiative subjects”, shall be added and the term “global collaboration subjects” in Paragraph 5 of the Article was deemed to be replaced with "Global literacy's international exchange subjects and global initiative subjects "
4. Notwithstanding the provision of Article 2 before the amendment, the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences' Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences shall operate until March 31, 2019, when students enrolled in the department have graduated or left the school.
5. Notwithstanding the provisions of Attachment 1 after the amendment, the enrollment quota of each School/Department from academic year 2019 until academic year 2024 listed in the following chart shall be indicated as follows:

Left column		Right column				
School	Department	AY2019	AY2020	AY2021	AY2022	AY2023
		Enrollment quota	Enrollment quota	Enrollment quota	Enrollment quota	Enrollment quota
Pharmaceutical Sciences	Pharmaceutical Sciences	205	260	315	370	425

6. Notwithstanding the provisions of Attachment 1 after amendment, the admission quota, transfer quota and enrollment quota, and total enrollment quota of the Faculty of Medicine's Medical School from academic year 2019 until academic year 2026 listed in the following chart shall be indicated as follows:

Faculty	Department	AY2019		AY2020		AY2021	
		Admission/ transfer quota	Enrollment quota	Admission/ transfer quota	Enrollment quota	Admission/ transfer quota	Enrollment quota
Medicine	Medical School	100	650	100	650	100	650
		2nd year transfer quota		2nd year transfer quota		2nd year transfer quota	
	Total		1,330		1,330		1,330
Total enrollment quota			13,381		13,436		13,491

Faculty	Department	AY2022		AY2023		AY2024	
		Admission/ transfer quota	Enrollment quota	Admission/ transfer quota	Enrollment quota	Admission/ transfer quota	Enrollment quota
Medicine	Medical School	—	645	—	640	—	635
		2nd year transfer quota		2nd year transfer quota		2nd year transfer quota	
	Total		1,325		1,320		1,315
Total enrollment quota			13,541		13,591		13,641

Faculty	Department	AY2025		AY2026	
		Admission/ transfer quota	Enrollment quota	Admission/ transfer quota	Enrollment quota
Medicine	Medical School	—	630	—	625
	2nd year transfer quota	—		2nd year transfer quota	
	Total		1,310		1,305
Total enrollment quota		13,636		13,631	

Supplementary Provision

1. The Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations as amended shall come into effect on April 1, 2020.

Supplementary Provision

1. The Osaka University Undergraduate School Regulations as amended shall come into effect on October 1, 2020.
2. Notwithstanding the provision after the amendment, those who are enrolled as of September 30, 2020, in the Chemistry-Biology Combined Major Program at the School of Science, the School of Engineering, and the School of Engineering Science shall be subject to previous provisions.

Attachment 1: Enrollment quota

School	Department	Admission/transfer quota	Enrollment quota
Letters	Humanities	165	660
Human Sciences	Human Sciences	137	568
		From the 3 rd year: 10	
Foreign Studies	Foreign Studies	580	2,340
		From the 3 rd year: 10	
Law	Law	170	700
		From the 3 rd year: 10	
	International Public Policy	80	320
	Total		1,020
Economics	Economics and Business	220	900

			From the 3 rd year: 10	
Science	Mathematics		47	188
	Physics		76	304
	Chemistry		77	308
	Biological Sciences		55	220
	Total		255	1,020
Medicine	Medical School		95	620
			From the 2 nd year: 10	
	Allied Health Sciences	Nursing	80	340
			From the 3 rd year: 10	
		Medical Physics and Engineering	40	170
			From the 3 rd year: 5	
		Laboratory Sciences	40	170
			From the 3 rd year: 5	
		Subtotal	160	680
	From the 3 rd year: 20			
Total			1,300	
Dentistry	Dentistry		53	318
Pharmaceutical Sciences	Pharmacy		80	480
Engineering	Applied Science		217	868
	Mechanical, Materials and Manufacturing Science		248	992
	Electronic and Information Engineering		162	648
	Sustainable Energy and Environmental Engineering		75	300
	Global Architecture		118	472
	Total		820	3,280
Engineering Science	Electronics and Materials Physics		99	396
	Chemical Science and Engineering		84	336
	Systems Science		169	676
	Information and Computer Sciences		83	332
	Total		435	1,740
Total enrollment quota				13,626

Attachment 2

1. The format for the bachelor's diploma conferred on students who have completed an undergraduate program of the University, except for individuals specified in the following paragraph.

第 号	令和 年 月 日	大阪大学〇〇学部長 氏 大阪大学総長 氏	名印 名印	土(〇〇)の学位を授与する 本学〇〇学部〇〇学科所定の課程を修めて本学を卒業したことを認め学	大学印	学 位 記
					氏	年 月 日生

2. The format for the bachelor's diploma conferred on students of the University who have completed: the undergraduate program of the School of Foreign Studies or the Department of Biological Sciences at the School of Science, or the Human Sciences International Undergraduate Degree Program at the School of Human Sciences.

第 号	令和 年 月 日	大阪大学〇〇学部長 氏 大阪大学総長 氏	名印 名印	認め学士(〇〇)の学位を授与する 本学〇〇学部〇〇学科(〇〇)所定の課程を修めて本学を卒業したことを	大学印	学 位 記
					氏	年 月 日生

Note: For graduates of the School of Foreign Studies, the name of the field of major is shown in parentheses following the name of the Department. For other graduates, the name of the program is shown.

Subject List

Categories	Course Name	Credits			year
		Lecture	Exercises	Experiment Practical training	
Group A	Introduction to Physics I	2			1
	Introduction to Mathematics I	2			1
	Potein Structure and Chemistry	1			1
	Exercise in Physics			1	1
	Exercise in Computer Science		1		1
	Introduction to Nanobiology I	0.5			1
	Introduction to Nanobiology II	0.5			1
	Introduction to Nanobiology III	0.5			1
	Introduction to Biomolecular Networks I	0.5			1
	Introduction to Biomolecular Networks II	0.5			1
	Introduction to Biomolecular Networks III	0.5			1
	Introduction to Biomolecular Networks IV	0.5			1
	Introduction to Biomolecular Networks V	0.5			1
	Introduction to Biomolecular Networks VI	0.5			1
	Introduction to Integrated Biology I	0.5			1
	Introduction to Integrated Biology II	0.5			1
	Introduction to Integrated Biology III	0.5			1
	Introduction to Integrated Biology IV	0.5			1
	Introduction to Integrated Biology V	0.5			1
	Introduction to Organismal Biosystems I	0.5			1
	Introduction to Organismal Biosystems II	0.5			1
	Introduction to Organismal Biosystems III	0.5			1
	Introduction to Organismal Biosystems IV	0.5			1
	Introduction to Neuroscience I	0.5			1
	Introduction to Neuroscience II	0.5			1
	Introduction to Neuroscience III	0.5			1
	Introduction to Neuroscience IV	0.5			1
	Introduction to Biophysical Dynamics I	0.5			1
	Introduction to Biophysical Dynamics II	0.5			1
	Introduction to Biophysical Dynamics III	0.5			1
	Introduction to Biomedical Engineering I	0.5			1
	Introduction to Biomedical Engineering II	0.5			1
	Introduction to Biomedical Engineering III	0.5			1
	Introduction to Biomedical Engineering IV	0.5			1

Subject List

Categories	Course Name	Credits			year
		Lecture	Exercises	Experiment Practical training	
Group B	Nanobiology IA	4			1
	Nanobiology IB	4			1
	Nanobiology IC	4			1
	Nanobiology ID	4			1
	Nanobiology IIA	4			2
	Nanobiology IIB	4			2
	Nanobiology IIC	4			2
	Nanobiology IID	4			2
	Biomolecular Networks IA	4			1
	Biomolecular Networks IB	4			1
	Biomolecular Networks IC	4			1
	Biomolecular Networks ID	4			1
	Biomolecular Networks IIA	4			2
	Biomolecular Networks IIB	4			2
	Biomolecular Networks IIC	4			2
	Biomolecular Networks IID	4			2
	Biomolecular Networks IIE	4			2
	Biomolecular Networks IIF	4			2
	Integrated Biology IA	4			1
	Integrated Biology IB	4			1
	Integrated Biology IC	4			1
	Integrated Biology ID	4			1
	Integrated Biology IE	4			1
	Integrated Biology IIA	4			2
	Integrated Biology IIB	4			2
	Integrated Biology IIC	4			2
	Integrated Biology IID	4			2
	Integrated Biology IIE	4			2
	Organismal Biosystems IA	4			1
	Organismal Biosystems IB	4			1
	Organismal Biosystems IC	4			1
	Organismal Biosystems ID	4			1
	Organismal Biosystems IIA	4			2
	Organismal Biosystems IIB	4			2
	Organismal Biosystems IIC	4			2
	Organismal Biosystems IID	4			2
	Neuroscience IA	4			1
	Neuroscience IB	4			1
	Neuroscience IC	4			1
	Neuroscience ID	4			1
	Neuroscience IE	4			1
	Neuroscience IF	4			1
	Neuroscience IIA	4			2
	Neuroscience IIB	4			2
	Neuroscience IIC	4			2
	Neuroscience IID	4			2
	Neuroscience IIE	4			2
	Neuroscience IIF	4			2
	Biophysical Dynamics IA	4			1
	Biophysical Dynamics IB	4			1
	Biophysical Dynamics IC	4			1
	Biophysical Dynamics ID	4			1
	Biophysical Dynamics IIA	4			2
	Biophysical Dynamics IIB	4			2
	Biophysical Dynamics IIC	4			2
	Biophysical Dynamics IID	4			2

Categories	Course Name	Credits			year
		Lecture	Exercises	Experiment Practical training	
Group B	Biomedical Engineering IA	4			1
	Biomedical Engineering IB	4			1
	Biomedical Engineering IC	4			1
	Biomedical Engineering ID	4			1
	Biomedical Engineering IE	4			1
	Biomedical Engineering IF	4			1
	Biomedical Engineering IG	4			1
	Biomedical Engineering IH	4			1
	Biomedical Engineering IS	4			1
	Biomedical Engineering IIA	4			2
	Biomedical Engineering IIB	4			2
	Biomedical Engineering IIC	4			2
	Biomedical Engineering IID	4			2
	Biomedical Engineering IIE	4			2
	Biomedical Engineering IIF	4			2
	Biomedical Engineering IIS	4			2
	Biomechanics I	1			1
	Biomechanics II	1			2
	Special Lectures I	1			1~2
	Special Lectures II	1			1~2
	Special Lectures III	1			1~2
	Special Lectures IV	1			1~2
	Special Lectures V	1			1~2
	Special Lectures VI	1			1~2
	Special Lectures VII	1			1~2
	Special Lectures VIII	1			1~2

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Categories	Course Name	Credits			year
		Lecture	Exercises	Experiment Practical training	
Group C	Seminar in Nanobiology IA		7		1
	Seminar in Nanobiology IB		7		1
	Seminar in Nanobiology IC		7		1
	Seminar in Nanobiology ID		7		1
	Seminar in Nanobiology IIA		7		2
	Seminar in Nanobiology IIB		7		2
	Seminar in Nanobiology IIC		7		2
	Seminar in Nanobiology IID		7		2
	Seminar in Biomolecular Networks IA		7		1
	Seminar in Biomolecular Networks IB		7		1
	Seminar in Biomolecular Networks IC		7		1
	Seminar in Biomolecular Networks ID		7		1
	Seminar in Biomolecular Networks IE		7		1
	Seminar in Biomolecular Networks IF		7		1
	Seminar in Biomolecular Networks IIA		7		2
	Seminar in Biomolecular Networks IIB		7		2
	Seminar in Biomolecular Networks IIC		7		2
	Seminar in Biomolecular Networks IID		7		2
	Seminar in Biomolecular Networks IIE		7		2
	Seminar in Biomolecular Networks IIF		7		2
	Seminar in Integrated Biology IA		7		1
	Seminar in Integrated Biology IB		7		1
	Seminar in Integrated Biology IC		7		1
	Seminar in Integrated Biology ID		7		1
	Seminar in Integrated Biology IE		7		1
	Seminar in Integrated Biology IIA		7		2
	Seminar in Integrated Biology IIB		7		2
	Seminar in Integrated Biology IIC		7		2
	Seminar in Integrated Biology IID		7		2
	Seminar in Integrated Biology IIE		7		2
	Seminar in Organismal Biosystems IA		7		1
	Seminar in Organismal Biosystems IB		7		1
	Seminar in Organismal Biosystems IC		7		1
	Seminar in Organismal Biosystems ID		7		1
	Seminar in Organismal Biosystems IIA		7		2
	Seminar in Organismal Biosystems IIB		7		2
	Seminar in Organismal Biosystems IIC		7		2
	Seminar in Organismal Biosystems IID		7		2
	Seminar in Neuroscience IA		7		1
	Seminar in Neuroscience IB		7		1
	Seminar in Neuroscience IC		7		1
	Seminar in Neuroscience ID		7		1
	Seminar in Neuroscience IE		7		1
	Seminar in Neuroscience IF		7		1
	Seminar in Neuroscience IIA		7		2
	Seminar in Neuroscience IIB		7		2
	Seminar in Neuroscience IIC		7		2
	Seminar in Neuroscience IID		7		2
	Seminar in Neuroscience IIE		7		2
	Seminar in Neuroscience IIF		7		2
	Seminar in Biophysical Dynamics IA		7		1
	Seminar in Biophysical Dynamics IB		7		1
	Seminar in Biophysical Dynamics IC		7		1
	Seminar in Biophysical Dynamics ID		7		1
	Seminar in Biophysical Dynamics IIA		7		2
	Seminar in Biophysical Dynamics IIB		7		2
	Seminar in Biophysical Dynamics IIC		7		2
	Seminar in Biophysical Dynamics IID		7		2

Categories	Course Name	Credits			year
		Lecture	Exercises	Experiment Practical training	
Group C	Seminar in Biomedical Engineering IA		7		1
	Seminar in Biomedical Engineering IB		7		1
	Seminar in Biomedical Engineering IC		7		1
	Seminar in Biomedical Engineering ID		7		1
	Seminar in Biomedical Engineering IE		7		1
	Seminar in Biomedical Engineering IF		7		1
	Seminar in Biomedical Engineering IG		7		1
	Seminar in Biomedical Engineering IH		7		1
	Seminar in Biomedical Engineering IS		7		1
	Seminar in Biomedical Engineering IIA		7		2
	Seminar in Biomedical Engineering IIB		7		2
	Seminar in Biomedical Engineering IIC		7		2
	Seminar in Biomedical Engineering IID		7		2
	Seminar in Biomedical Engineering IIE		7		2
	Seminar in Biomedical Engineering IIF		7		2
	Seminar in Biomedical Engineering IIS		7		2

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Categories	Course Name	Credits			year
		Lecture	Exercises	Experiment Practical training	
Group D	Project Research I			2	3~5
	Project Research II			2	3~5
	Project Research III			2	3~5
	Project Research IV			2	3~5
	Project Research V			2	3~5
	Project Research VI			2	3~5
	Project Research VII			2	3~5
	Project Research VIII			2	3~5
	Project Research IX			2	3~5
	Project Research X			2	3~5
	Project Research XI			2	3~5
	Project Research XII			2	3~5
	Project Research XIII			2	3~5
	Project Research XIV			2	3~5
	Project Research XV			2	3~5
	Project Research XVI			2	3~5
	Project Research XVII			2	3~5
	Project Research XVIII			2	3~5
	Project Research XIX			2	3~5
	Project Research XX			2	3~5
	Project Research XXI			2	3~5
	Project Research XXII			2	3~5
	Project Research XXIII			2	3~5
	Project Research XXIV			2	3~5
	Project Research XXV			2	3~5
	Project Research XXVI			2	3~5
	Project Research XXVII			2	3~5
	Project Research XXVIII			2	3~5
	Project Research XXIX			2	3~5
	Project Research XXX			2	3~5
	Project Research XXXI			2	3~5
	Project Research XXXII			2	3~5
	Project Research XXXIII			2	3~5
	Project Research S			2	3~5

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Categories	Course Name	Credits			year
		Lecture	Exercises	Experiment Practical training	
Group E	Advanced Seminar in Nanobiology A		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Nanobiology B		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Nanobiology C		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Nanobiology D		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Biomolecular Networks A		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Biomolecular Networks B		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Biomolecular Networks C		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Biomolecular Networks D		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Biomolecular Networks E		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Biomolecular Networks F		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Integrated Biology A		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Integrated Biology B		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Integrated Biology C		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Integrated Biology D		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Integrated Biology E		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Organismal Biosystems A		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Organismal Biosystems B		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Organismal Biosystems C		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Organismal Biosystems D		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Neuroscience A		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Neuroscience B		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Neuroscience C		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Neuroscience D		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Neuroscience E		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Neuroscience F		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Biophysical Dynamics A		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Biophysical Dynamics B		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Biophysical Dynamics C		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Biophysical Dynamics D		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Biomedical Engineering A		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Biomedical Engineering B		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Biomedical Engineering C		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Biomedical Engineering D		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Biomedical Engineering E		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Biomedical Engineering F		8		3~5
	Advanced Seminar in Biomedical Engineering S		8		3~5