

Application Guidelines for 2027 Kobe Global Graduate Program for Agricultural Science

“Education program for the next generation agriculture leaders in mature society”

The Graduate School of Agricultural Science Kobe University invites applications of talented international students for the “Education program for the next generation agriculture leaders in mature society”. This program is part of the Kobe Global Graduate Program for Agricultural Science, specifically designed to nurture the next generation of leaders in agriculture through integrated master's and doctoral courses.

1. Field of Study and Quota

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Please refer to the following URL.

<https://www.ans.kobe-u.ac.jp/english/index.html>

(2) Quota

Three

2. Features

(1) Period of study: five years.

For admission in April 2027

The date of admission is April 1, 2027. In principle, students must complete the course on March 25, 2032.

For admission in October 2027

The date of admission is October 1, 2027. In principle, students must complete the course on September 25, 2032.

The degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Agricultural Science or Doctor of Philosophy will be conferred to those who have fulfilled all requirements for graduation.

- (2) Lectures, research advice and instructions are given in English, and the master's and doctoral dissertations must be written in English.
- (3) Grantees have opportunities to learn Japanese to a level sufficient for everyday life in Japan.
- (4) Faculty members of the Graduate School of Agricultural Science will tutor students across the boundaries of specialties.
- (5) An amount equivalent to half of the enrolment fee (141,000 yen): however, this amount may vary each year depending on the budget situation.
- (6) Rent subsidy: Up to 50,000 yen per month for two years (24 months) during the Master's Program (maximum total: 1,200,000 yen). (Based on the 2026 fiscal year. The amount may vary each year depending on the budget situation.)
※The rent subsidy applies only if the student resides in a university dormitory or in housing contracted by the university through a real estate agency.

It does not apply to housing individually contracted by the student with a real estate agency.

If the monthly rent exceeds the subsidy limit, the student must cover the difference.

Common service fees and other charges are not covered by the subsidy and must be paid by the student.

3. Program offered

The program is aiming to educate the next generation agriculture leaders in mature society. The grantees will be attached to one of the laboratories in the three departments Agricultural Engineering and Socio-Economics, Bioresource Science, and Agrobioscience, and conduct research for their dissertation. The grantees will take English-language classes on related studies with the support of the following research centers under the Graduate School of Agricultural Science: Food Resources Education and Research Center, Center for Regional Partnership, and Research Center for Food Safety and Security.

4. Eligibility

Detailed information on eligibility requirements for applicants is provided in the “Guidelines for Application 2027, Kobe Global Graduate Program for Agricultural Science (master’s program)”.

5. Application Procedure

Detailed information on application procedure and documents is provided in the “Guidelines for Application 2027, Kobe Global Graduate Program for Agricultural Science (master’s program)”.

For admission in April 2027

Application Deadline: November 4, 2026

For admission in October 2027

Application Deadline: May 7, 2027

【Important】

- 1) Applicants should contact a professor of their major field beforehand and inquire about their research activities.
- 2) This program consists of integrated master's and doctoral courses. Successful applicants are not supposed to quit the program after the completion of master's course. Successful applicants are required to proceed to and complete the doctoral course after the completion of the master's course.
- 3) In case the application documents submitted are found incomplete or inaccurate, or have not reached us by the deadline, they will not be accepted.
- 4) Application documents will not be returned.

6. Selection and Result Notification

- (1) Kobe University will select the candidates based on document screening and oral examination (interview either in person or via online meeting software).

(2) Kobe University will notify each applicant of the result of the scholarship selection.

For admission in April 2027

Late December

For admission in October 2027

Late June

7. Notes

Applicants are advised to acquire information beforehand on Japanese climate, weather, customs and the university itself.

While educational and research activities are carried out mainly in English, some command of Japanese language may be necessary for their daily life. It is preferable for applicants to have some preliminary knowledge of the Japanese language.

8. For more information, please write to the following address.

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Application form for
Grant Education Program Application Guidelines for
2027 Kobe Global Graduate Program for Agricultural Science
(Master's and Doctoral program)
“Education program for next generation agriculture leaders in mature society”

I am applying for the Next Generation Agricultural Leaders Development Program, which supports agriculture in mature societies.

I will enroll in the master's program of the Graduate School of Agricultural Science, Kobe University, and immediately, after completion, I will begin the doctoral program of the same graduate school.

Date of submission(yyyy.mm.dd) :

Name	
Date of Birth yyyy.mm.dd	
Nationality	