

Degree Programs

NEXT VOYAGE from Kobe

"We, The Graduate School of Maritime Sciences, are located in Kobe, an international port city, promoting education and research under the theme of global transportation."

Interdisciplinary Approach

We are conducting research in various maritime fields including safe and efficient navigation and management in maritime transportation, energy, preservation of the maritime environment, law, and economics through a scientific approach combining natural and social sciences.

International Academic Exchanges

We also have academic exchange agreements with universities in Australia, China, France, Indonesia, Korea, Philippines, Sweden, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, U.K., U.S.A., Vietnam and Croatia, thus actively promoting international exchanges. In addition, since the establishment of the International Association of Maritime Universities (IAMU) in 1999, we are proud that we have been playing a major role as one of its international executive leaders.

Employment Opportunities all over the world

Our students have received job offers from companies, universities and research institutions not only in Japan but also in various countries worldwide due to our global academic research field. Therefore, our alumni are active in a wide range of fields including Japanese private companies such as shipbuilding, logistics and electronics as well as public institutions like the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism.

The Graduate School of Maritime Sciences

Doctoral Degree Program (3 years)

Marine Sciences	Marine Technologies	Maritime Policy Studies	Nautical Sciences
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Master's Degree Program (2 years)

Marine Sciences	Marine Technologies	Maritime Policy Studies	Nautical Sciences
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The International Maritime Research Center

affiliated with the Graduate School

The Training Ship "Kaijin Maru"

affiliated with the Graduate School

Sea Training Course (6 months)

The Faculty of Ocean Science and Technology (4 years)

The Organization of Advanced Science and Technology, Kobe University
cooperated with the Graduate School

We offer a 2-year Master's program and 3-year Doctoral program. The purpose of our education and research is dedicated to cultivating creative researchers, educators and top-level professionals who possess diverse global perspectives as well as problem-solving abilities. After completing the Master's program, students receive the degree of Master of Maritime Sciences and students who complete the Doctoral program can obtain the degree such as Doctor of Philosophy in Maritime Sciences and Technology, Doctor of Philosophy in Engineering, or Doctor of Philosophy. Our goal is to produce quality graduates who can provide a scientific approach in a highly advanced manner combining both natural and social sciences in the Maritime Sciences field.