

**PhD Thesis Research**  
**Special Entrance Examination on the Basis of Recommendation**

The Graduate School of Business Administration, Kobe University, is conducting a special entrance examination for a full-time professor, associate professor, assistant professor, lecturer, or research associate at a university; a researcher at research institute; or a candidate who is recognized by our faculty as having high ability as a researcher.

A qualified candidate may apply for the examination on the basis of the screening of the application documents (without paper or oral examination) only when he/she gets a letter of recommendation from a faculty member of our graduate school.

**1. Number of seats:**

A few

**2. Application qualification :**

- (1) A full-time professor, associate professor, assistant professor, lecturer, or research associate at a university at the time of application.
- (2) A researcher at a corporate or national research institute, if the school recognizes that he/she has the same ability as given in the first point.
- (3) An applicant who holds a master's degree or an MBA degree and has a well-written master's thesis or academic paper on business administration or related subjects. The candidate must also be deemed a competent researcher by the school.

**3. Application Deadline:**

January 6, 2012 (Friday)

**4. Required Documents:**

1. Application form and resume
2. Application fee
3. Master's or MBA thesis (8 copies)
4. Study program (8 copies)
5. Transcript of graduate school (original)
6. Certificate (original)
7. Transcript of university (original)
8. 3 photographs (3cm x 4cm)
9. Certificate of employment (original)
10. Examination admission slip (given paper)
11. Certificate of alien registration (or a copy of visa approving the purpose of

examination)

12. Seal of address (given paper) to send the admission procedure
13. Return-mail envelope (enclose an envelope with your name, address, and zip code written on it along with a ¥350- stamp(in Japan))
14. Recommendation from a faculty member of our graduate school

Please submit 8 copies of (3) Master's or MBA thesis and (4) Study program. You can submit your major research paper as an alternative to (3) Master's or MBA thesis.

#### **5. Judging Criteria:**

The selections are made on the basis of the screening of the application documents, recommendation, study program, and master's or MBA thesis in order to evaluate the ability to write a high quality Doctor's thesis.(Documents have to be written in either Japanese or English.)

#### **6. Announcement of application results:**

January 20, 2012 (Friday) at 10:00am

An applicant who wishes to take the special entrance examination may contact.

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