# Admission Policy (AP)

## [Basic Views on Accepting Entrants (Preamble)]

Applicants are selected for the purpose of determining whether or not he/she can achieve the research results indicated in the diploma policy within the prescribed term in the education and research system of this major.

## [Desired applicants]

The Division of Economics seeks, among those who have a strong awareness of various problems facing local communities and the international community, especially those who are interested in the fields centered on economics or business administration, or those who are interested in the state of society, culture and history in relation to these academic fields.

We would like students to face various issues in society, to be enthusiastic about taking on the challenge of solving these issues by learning today's research techniques, and to have the basic academic skills for these purposes.

Japanese and international graduate students who aim to improve their theoretical and empirical research skills, as well as professionals and practitioners who seek solutions by applying knowledge of economics and business administration to problems based on their experiences as working adults, are also very welcome. For this reason, the Division of Economics has various entry points such as Special Selection by Recommendation for Applicants within the School, Special Selection for International Students, Special Selection for Working Adults, Selection for the Short-term (1 Year) Enrollment-type System, and Remote Special Selection for "Overseas-Resident" Applicants in addition to General Selection.

### [Basic Policy on Selection]

Applicants are required to have (1) basic knowledge and basic analytical skills in economics, business administration, or related fields, (2) logical thinking and expressive skills, (3) English language skills necessary for research, and (4) independence and positivity.

In the entrance examination, (1) and (2) are evaluated in the pre-assignment, and (2), (3) and (4) are evaluated in the submitted documents and oral examination. In Special Selection for Working Adults and Short-term Enrollment-type programs, the ability to write a thesis based on a research topic with the background of working experience is particularly focused.

### [Subjects to be mastered before admission]

In the predoctoral course, the final goal is to set one's own research topic, write a thesis, and pass the examination. Therefore, in the Division of Economics, it is desirable to have a basic knowledge for understanding and analyzing events concerning economy and business administration, logic development for thesis writing, sentence construction ability, and language ability. Students entering the Data Privacy Expert Development Program are supposed to have the basic knowledge of statistics and survey. Hence, they are required to have the Japan statistical society certificate of survey statistician, or to have the certificate of social researcher (candidate), which is granted by Japanese association for social research after the completion of all the qualified social research courses.