United Graduate School of Child Development, Osaka University, Kanazawa University, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine, Chiba University and University of Fukui

Based on Osaka University Admission Policies, the 3-year doctor's course at the United Graduate School of Child Development, Osaka University, Kanazawa University, Hamamatsu University School of Medicine, Chiba University and University of Fukui seeks individuals who have strong motivation to learn and outstanding academic ability. Applicants must also have a strong sense of mission and sincere attitude to solving children's emotional and mental issues as well as be individuals who:

- 1. Possess clear sense of purpose in solving children's mental and emotional issues and a strong aspiration to contribute to the nation's future by developing scientific approaches.
- 2. Do not blindly follow empirical rules, but have an open mind to specialists from differing backgrounds, but make an effort to attain new scientific viewpoints.
- 3. Remain motivated so they can learn throughout their entire career and possessing the ability to solve problems autonomously.
- 4. Can think flexibly and cooperatively, have social skills, and can treat the socially vulnerable with empathy and insight as leaders in networks for supporting students with difficulties.

For screening applicants, the school conducts unified entrance examinations consisting of a written examination in a foreign language (English) and an interview.

- The written examination is conducted to see applicant's ability in reading academic theses, as well as their power of expression and logical thinking power necessary for writing an academic dissertation.
- 2. The interview is conducted to see how applicants will address children's mental issues, their motivation, eagerness, and potential, as well as their ability to write a dissertation within a standard course term.