

Faculty of Law, Department of Legal Science	
Diploma Policy	<p>The objective of the Department of Legal Science is to cultivate human resources with an objective perspective about society and themselves, a sense of justice and ethics, and an ability to think logically and make appropriate judgments through education in legal thought and knowledge. The Department confers a bachelor's degree in law on those who have acquired the qualities and abilities listed below in accordance with our founding spirit and the Department's objective:</p> <p>(1) The ability to make principled considerations of society and humankind.</p> <p>(2) Knowledge of legal texts, knowledge of legal research methods, an understanding of the systems and principles behind individual texts, and the skills to interpret and apply legal concepts.</p> <p>(3) The ability to learn actively and independently throughout life and to collaborate with others in order to understand the structures of society and organizations, and play diverse roles as a member thereof.</p>
Curriculum Policy	<p>The Department of Legal Science designs and implements its curriculum, comprising Liberal Arts Education and Specialized Education Subjects, to accomplish its departmental educational goals and nurture students with the qualities and abilities stated in the diploma policy. Students are required to earn a certain number of credits in each subject group/component of the curriculum and pursue wide-ranging studies in order to develop deep knowledge and understanding of law and political science.</p> <p>(1) Liberal Arts Education comprises Basic Education Subjects, Foreign Language Subjects, and Physical Education Subjects. By giving students opportunities to study a wide variety of subjects, the curriculum not only helps students develop a well-rounded character but also allows students to gain basic abilities ranging from communication skills and information literacy to logical thinking. The International Law and Culture program and Asian Law and Policy program also provide students with opportunities to gain legal knowledge, language skills, and an international perspective.</p> <p>(2) Specialized Education Subjects comprise subjects in the Common, Seminars, Jurisprudence, Public Law, Criminal Law, Civil Law, Corporate and Social Legislations, Political Science, and International Law categories. The educational curriculum of the Department of Legal Science features an extensive selection of basic subjects: subjects on the "six law codes", which help students acquire basic legal knowledge and thinking skills, and a flexible arrangement of multiple extended subjects: subjects on topics other than the "six law codes," including jurisprudence and political science, which serve to reflect society's diversification and meet students' diverse, specialized interests. In addition to these lecture subjects, the curriculum also includes small-group seminar subjects.</p> <p>(3) The Department of Legal Science offers seminar subjects in each year, from year 1 to year 4, to provide students with opportunities to learn interactively in small-group settings. In the first semester of year 1, all students take Basic Seminar 1 to develop the basic skills for learning as university students and studying legal science. Students enrolled in the Public Administrative Course and Legal Professional Course, which open to interested students beginning in year 2, can also take Liberal Arts Seminars, Application Seminars, and Legal Seminars, which help foster students' abilities and ambitions for pursuing their future career paths.</p> <p>(4) The Department of Legal Science enforces strict credit and grading policies in accordance with its standards for evaluating learning outcomes and has seminar and course instructors provide students with individual guidance based on GPA and earned credits in order to help students study according to individual progress and future goals. By giving students opportunities to take a diverse mix of special courses, the curriculum also encourages students to pursue independent learning in line with their individual career paths and interests.</p>
Admission Policy	<p>The Department of Legal Science admits applicants who understand the Department's educational philosophy, grasp the Department's educational goals, and have acquired the following qualities and abilities through prior education such as high school education:</p> <p>(1) Basic knowledge and skills for communication both in Japanese and English gained through high school education, as well as knowledge and understanding of society.</p> <p>(2) An interest in and an imagination for the world, nations, society, and the people who make up society, along with the willingness to contribute to society with the knowledge and skills acquired in the Department.</p> <p>(3) An intellectual curiosity in other disciplines outside the realms of law and political science and a will to continue learning throughout life.</p>