

**Global Network Program for Joint Education and Research to Nurture Highly Skilled Professionals  
Toward Value Co-Creation in International Cooperation  
(Global Network Program: GNP)**

**2025 Application Guideline**

The Graduate School of International Cooperation Studies (GSICS) and the Graduate School of Intercultural Studies (GICLS), Kobe University will collaborate with overseas universities, international organizations, and government organizations in developing countries (Table 1). Together, they will conduct team-based education and provide research guidance for doctoral students. The program focuses on developing three specific career paths: 1) Researchers with world-class research skills. 2) International civil servants with advanced practical skills. 3) Senior government officials in developing countries with world-class policy-making skills.

**Table 1.** Partner overseas universities, international organizations, and government organizations in developing countries

Universities	Columbia University	International Organizations	World Bank
	Dhaka University		UNESCO
	Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva		UNICEF
	George Washington University		OECD
	University of East Anglia		ADB
	National Institute for Oriental Languages and Civilizations, France		IDB
	L'Orientale University of Naples		UNSCAP
	University of Hawaii		IOM
	University of Leuven		UNDP
	Korea University		UNHCR
	Fudan University		JICA
	National University of Laos	Government Organizations	Ministry of Education Youth and Sport Cambodia
	University of Airlangga		Office of the Prime Minister, Uganda
	Chiang Mai University		Office of the Prime Minister, Mongolia
	Makerere University		Office of the Prime Minister, Lao PDR
	Kenyatta University		Ministry of Education and Sports of Lao PDR
	University of Malawi		Ministry of Education of Republic Yemen
	University of Cape Town		Ministry of Education of Kenya
	Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Study		Ministry of Social Development and Fight Against Hunger, Brazil
			Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Ghana
			Bangladesh Bank

This program offers the following 6 items, and a certificate will be issued to those who complete the items.

- ① Multidisciplinary curriculum
- ② Intensive lectures by partner faculty members/experts
- ③ Overseas internships/ research
- ④ Global network joint education and research guidance (Research Presentation I, II, III)
- ⑤ Presentation at international conferences
- ⑥ Submission to international journals

This program provides financial support to those who participated in No. ③, ⑤, ⑥.

③ **Overseas internships/ research**

Details of support

- Round-trip airfare
  - \*Allowance will be provided as a JASSO scholarship (only for Japanese nationality or permanent residency holder)
  - \*Internship Proposal or the Advanced Overseas Research Proposal must be approved by the faculty meeting.

⑤ **Presentation at international conferences**

Details of support

- Round-trip airfare
  - \*Please make sure to consult with us before deciding on the conference at which you will present.

⑥ **Submission to international journals**

Details of support

- Publication fee, peer review fee, and open access fees, etc.
  - \*To receive support, you must have completed either item ① or ② above.
  - \*Please make sure to consult with us before deciding on the journal to which you will submit.

**Eligibility**

Doctoral students of the Graduate School of International Cooperation Studies, Kobe University

**Number of Participants**

A few students for each type of support

**Application Procedure**

Applicants must attend a GNP information session at least three months prior to their intended application. Application forms will be distributed during the information session. GNP information sessions are held on the third Wednesday of each month from 12:30 to 13:00 at the GNP Office (CAMPUS Asia Office) on the 2nd floor.

**Application Deadline**

17:00, on 15<sup>th</sup> of each month (12 times a year in total)

**Others**

As the number of recipients is limited, we encourage you to consult with us as early as possible—even if your conference presentation or other plans have not yet been confirmed.

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