

### **【Important points for preparing the application documents】**

- 1: Please do not change the style of any application forms.
- 2: Regarding the Application Form (the form of MEXT) and Field of study and study program (the form of MEXT), please do the double-sided printing when printing them out.
- 3: Regarding a recommendation letter from the head of the applicant's university/faculty to the president of Kobe University, the letter MUST be addressed to the "President of Kobe University". Letters addressed "To whom it may concern" is NOT be accepted.
- 4: Please do not forget to submit the academic transcript and GPA, grade specification, your rank out of all students in the department, or some kind of specifications on the grade must be mentioned on the transcript. For applicants from China, they must submit CDGDC's authenticated academic transcripts. If they are not delivered by the application deadline, his/her application will be rejected.
- 5: Regarding your photo, the size must be 4.5\* 3.5cm, upper body, full face and uncap.

### **【Academic schedule (if you pass the screening of MEXT and become MEXT scholar)】**

2015.October : Admitted in the Graduate school of Maritime Sciences as "Research Student (Non-regular student) in Master's or Doctoral course. (Applicant can choose which course (Master or Doctoral) they want to go.)

During 1 year : Study Japanese intensively, do research to prepare for regular course and take an examination to go on to Master course's or Doctoral course. (Applicant can choose which course (Master or Doctoral) they want to go.)

2016.October: Start the Master or Doctoral course as a regular student

\*Please note that basically almost all the classes in Master course are taught in Japanese and I think some professors would give you additional class or materials in English but I am not sure it. So, it would be very difficult for you to catch up classes if you do not have enough Japanese language ability.

2018. September: Finish the Master course (Expected)

2019. September: Finish the Doctoral course (Expected)

\*This is not Master-Doctoral combined course so it is not mandatory to go on to the doctoral course.

2019. October: Start the Doctoral course (if a student wants)