

# Graduate School of Law and Politics

Law and political science are academic disciplines that search for the ideal shape of the self and society in the context of human relationships. It is important that students develop the ability to independently inquire and learn about issues that affect them directly. Rikkyo's Graduate School of Law and Politics is unique among Japanese graduate schools in its tradition of placing the utmost emphasis on this point. The enthusiasm that fills our academic community stimulates and reinvigorates further quests for new horizons in each research area. Not only are their academic studies and research full of vigor, but their achievements have also attracted a great deal of attention in Japan and abroad. At a time when values are becoming highly diversified and society is undergoing revolutionary changes, it is essential to train and question ourselves diligently while pursuing our own direction in an atmosphere of true freedom and creativity. Rikkyo's Graduate School of Law and Politics provides the ideal study environment for students with such aspirations.

## Field of Study: Law and Politics

1. The Graduate Degree Program in Law and Politics cultivates academic intelligence of a new order, appropriate for these complex and diverse modern times.
2. Not limited to interpretation of positive law; the Program leads students to examine institutional backgrounds in a multi-faceted manner, to deepen understanding of the dynamic economies and societies in the modern age, and to analyze law and politics in Japan and around the world. This study is pursued under a new type of graduate school education, that includes instruction by means of comprehensive practice in jurisprudence and political science as well as classroom instruction from a diverse faculty.
3. The program aims to produce the human resources demanded by a wide range of fields, including legal experts, legal and political researchers, and also public servants and business people who can succeed in a globalizing society.