## About Graduate General Education Courses(GGEC)

Graduate schools are meant to nurture professionals who possess scientific and technical expertise to advance the human race and civilization.

What abilities are essential for these professionals? What qualities are needed by the society as a whole? Those who try to find a job after graduation, please ask yourself if you have sufficient abilities to respond to the current social needs. The abilities include intelligence, proactive attitude, management-oriented mind, integrity, and communication & socializing skills. Just by acquiring specialized skills one does not become a successful researcher or specialist. A well-balanced interdisciplinary ability, i.e. productive human qualities, coupled with highly specialized expertise is indispensable.

Many business leaders participate in vigorous discussions about what qualities are required of graduates. Those qualities include the ability to view things from a multidisciplinary perspective supported by an insightful knowledge, professional experience, and specialized expertise.

Researchers and scientists are requested to have an awareness of chances and risks, adopt a proactive and simple approach to research results, and maintain professional integrity.

In order to respond to these social and global needs, The University of Tsukuba pioneered the Graduate General Education courses in education. Instructors are internal and external distinguished researchers and top-level lecturers invited from the industry. Exemplary character and extensive experience of the instructors make courses not only merely informative, but meaningful in life.

We are hopeful that graduates of the University of Tsukuba will take many courses in order to nurture rich human qualities by appreciating the profound and philosophical messages, fostering cultural accomplishments and integrity coupled with professional skills, and become well-balanced researchers and highly-specialized professionals.

To the graduates who took Graduate General Education courses: Currently many corporate human resources pay attention to the Graduate General Education courses.

When you take a job interview, please state confidently that you have completed the course. You may bring a copy of the Graduate General Education course leaflet shown in the Related Contents. It contains messages from the President and The Vice President of The University of Tsukuba.

Be proud in having learned distinguished curricula, take a positive approach to the job search and employment tests.

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