Diploma Policy

School of Medicine (Doctor of Medicine Degree)

The School of Medicine at Asahikawa Medical University grants a Doctor of Medicine degree to those who have completed the academic requirements in the curriculum in accordance with the educational objectives and obtained the following:

**Attitudes—A Sense of Ethics and Professionalism**

1. A respect for the dignity of life, understanding of medical ethics, and a positive attitude toward medical practices based on a team approach to medicine

**Knowledge—Adequate Knowledge about Medical Science and Related Fields and the Ability for Lifelong Learning**

1. A broad knowledge of liberal arts and fundamental knowledge of basic, clinical, and social medicine and to be able to explain the necessity of lifelong learning and its methodology for its application to medical practices

**Skills—Holistic Medical Skills, Basic Consultation Skills, and Practical Clinical Skills**

1. The ability to communicate with patients and their families with deep compassion and respect
2. The ability to help patients maintain and enhance their health appropriately through a thorough understanding of them, and to have the ability to offer clinical care
3. The ability to plan medical treatments for acute / chronic medical problems on the basis of the principles of safe consultations and treatments

**Thinking and Judgement—Problem-Solving Abilities, Developmental Consultation Abilities, and Research Abilities**

1. An understanding of the significance of research on basic, clinical, and social medicine, and to be able to apply it to actual medical settings, objectively collecting and evaluating scientific information
2. The ability to draw up logically and ethically valid research plans in order to create and spread innovative information

**Willingness—Ability to Contribute to Communities in Japan and Throughout the World**

1. The ability to understand the necessity and methodology of our contribution to domestic and international communities through medical practices and research, and to understand social needs related to medical treatments

School of Nursing (Bachelor’s Degree)

The School of Nursing at Asahikawa Medical University grants a Bachelor of Nursing degree to those who have completed the academic requirements in the curriculum in accordance with the educational objectives and have obtained the following characteristics:

**Attitudes—Fulfillment of Social Roles in Nursing Based on Ethics**

1. An attitude toward sincere and sensible nursing practices rooted in high ethical standards
2. An attitude toward nursing practices with the awareness of nurses’ mission in society

**Willingness—Ability to Contribute to Domestic Communities and Communities Around the World**

1. The willingness to solve problems through nursing practices and research based on social needs related to medical treatments, health care, and welfare in domestic communities and those around the world
2. The devotion to train themselves continually as nursing professionals

**Knowledge—Adequate Knowledge about Nursing Science and Related Fields and the Ability for Lifelong Learning**

1. A broad knowledge of liberal arts and specialist knowledge of nursing

**Thinking and Judgment—Problem-Solving Ability, Developmental Thinking Ability, and Research Ability**

1. The ability to recognize nursing problems from a research perspective and the thinking ability to solve the problems

**Nursing and Communication Skills—Evidence-based, Practical, Basic Nursing Skills**

1. The skills to conduct evidence-based basic nursing practices and communication skills according to each patient’s life stage and health assessment
The Graduate School of Medical Science
(Ph.D. Courses: Clinical Research Course and Research Course)

The Graduate School of Medical Science at Asahikawa Medical University grants a Ph.D. degree to those who have completed the academic requirements in the curriculum in accordance with the educational objectives, passed the thesis examinations, and attained the following:

### Attitudes—A Sense of Ethics and Professionalism

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<td>Research</td>
<td>1. A respect for the dignity of life, understanding of medical and research ethics, the ability to implement basic research with a respectful and ethical spirit, and an attitude toward recognizing and solving problems by themselves and conducting world-class, high quality research, inspiring specialists in related fields</td>
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### Knowledge—Adequate Knowledge about Medical Science and Related Fields and the Ability for Lifelong Learning

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<td>Research</td>
<td>1. A deep and broad knowledge of basic medical research, basic medical knowledge about the relationship between one's own basic medical research and its related fields so as to conduct actual cutting-edge research</td>
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### Skills—Holistic Medical Skills, Basic Consultation Skills, Practical Clinical Skills, and Research Conducting Skills

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<td>2. The ability to conduct clinical research, highly specialized diagnoses and treatments</td>
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<td>1. An intellectual curiosity originating in a profound compassion and respect for human dignity and rights, and the ability to implement professional and distinctive basic research</td>
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### Thinking and Judgement—Problem-Solving Ability, Developmental Consultation Ability, and Research Ability

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<td>Research</td>
<td>1. An understanding of the significance of the research on basic medicine, collecting and objectively evaluating scientific information, and applying such information to one's own research</td>
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### Willingness—Ability to Contribute to Domestic Communities and Communities Around the world

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The Graduate School of Nursing Science  
(Master’s Courses: Advanced Practice Course and Master’s Thesis Course)

The Graduate School of Nursing Science at Asahikawa Medical University Medical Related Research grants a Master’s in Nursing degree to those who have completed the academic requirements in the curriculum in accordance with the educational objectives, passed the thesis examinations (including the achievement of project studies in the Advanced Practice Course), and attained the following:

### Attitudes—Fulfillment of Social Roles in Nursing Based on Ethics

**Advanced Practice Course**
1. A respect for the dignity of life, understanding of medical ethics, and a positive attitude as a highly professional nurse in a medical team with the willingness to improve the quality of nursing care

**Master’s Thesis Course**
1. A respect for the dignity of life, understanding of medical ethics, and a positive attitude as a medical, health care, and welfare contributor aiming to fulfill social roles

### Knowledge—Adequate Knowledge about Nursing Science and the Ability for Lifelong Learning

**Advanced Practice Course**
1. The knowledge about advanced nursing practice to deepen knowledge of their specialized fields
2. The understanding of the necessity of lifelong learning to conduct advanced nursing practice and the knowledge of how to carry it out

**Master’s Thesis Course**
1. The necessary knowledge about nursing science and specialized knowledge in the required fields of study
2. The understanding of the necessity of lifelong learning to conduct research, education, and nursing practice and the knowledge of how to carry it out

### Skills—Evidence-based Basic and Professional Nursing Skills and Research Skills

**Advanced Practice Course**
1. The ability to appropriately conduct complex pathological assessments and health assessments on patients suffering from cancer, and to practice evidence-based, analytic and scientific nursing practice

**Master’s Thesis Course**
1. The ability to explore problems in nursing, and practice evidence-based nursing by committing to patients, their families, groups, and local communities

### Thinking and Judgement—Problem-Solving Ability, Developmental Thinking Ability, and Research Ability

**Advanced Practice Course**
1. The ability to understand the significance of research in their specialized fields and to conduct research in a logical, scientific, and ethical manner

**Master’s Thesis Course**
1. The ability to understand the significance of medical research and to conduct research in a logical, scientific, and ethical manner

### Willingness—Ability to Contribute to Domestic and International Communities

**Advanced Practice Course**
1. The ability to contribute to communities in Japan and throughout the world through advanced nursing practice and research

**Master’s Thesis Course**
1. The ability to contribute to communities in Japan and throughout the world through basic abilities related to research in nursing science