

Faculty of Medicine

Since its foundation in 1972, the School of Medicine within the Faculty of Medicine has graduated 4,019 professionals who today play active roles in the medical community, including universities throughout Japan and overseas hospitals and research institutes. In an age when advanced medical science contributes greatly to increased longevity, every doctor must face the question of how medicine can better contribute to human happiness. The establishment of the School of Nursing in 2007 has further strengthened the Faculty's ability to provide medical professionals capable of making a real contribution to comprehensive health and medicine. Students probe how medicine and nursing can help improve human happiness, and discover their own answers to this fundamental question. The aim of the Faculty is to produce graduates who have thoroughly explored this question for themselves, and are thus capable of practicing medicine and medical treatment based on a deep respect for life.

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The School's specialty courses begin from the first year so that students can have opportunities to experience real medical treatment from an early stage, including nursing and introductions to medical facilities. The curriculum has 10 courses on basic medicine and 25 courses on clinical medicine, along with the Medical Education Promotion lecture series launched in fall 2014. Both sets of courses are integrated so as to provide comprehensive medical education based on organs and functions. Internationally certified practical clinical medicine and clinical clerkship are primarily handled at the university's two hospitals, Fukuoka University Hospital and Fukuoka University Chikushi Hospital.

As for educational facilities, the School of Medicine has various kinds of experimental rooms equipped with experimental apparatus and a PC room with 140 computers for the study of basic medicine, as well as various study rooms equipped with audiovisual

facilities for small group training and the practice of clinical medicine. The School is particularly proud of its Center for Experimental Animals, one of the largest and most advanced facilities of its kind in Japan, the Radioisotope Center, the Medical Information Center, where students and staff have instant access to up-to-the-moment medical research and data, and basic research institutes. These and other integrated facilities combine to create a top-level educational environment.



School of Nursing

The educational goals of the School of Nursing are to produce nursing specialists who respect human life and dignity through rich personal and character development, who have acquired the ability to consider issues logically and ethically from the international, academic and personal perspectives, and who can contribute to local and global society.

The curriculum is designed to develop practical nursing skills in students, which is the core concept of the School of Nursing program. Graduates have mastered these skills, and developed into clinicians equipped with knowledge and conscience. As nursing professionals they can apply their high technical expertise and ethical approach flexibly to a wide range of work both in Japan and overseas, supported by the sensitivity they have gained toward other cultures and senses of value.

Medicine today demands increased cooperation and collaboration between health, medical care

and welfare, and students learn to utilize the team approach that brings a variety of specialists together in mutual respect to deepen their understanding and assist each other in finding the optimal resolution. The social environment surrounding nursing is changing dramatically, and a variety of emergency situations must be dealt with promptly and correctly. At the School of Nursing, students develop into professionals with the necessary knowledge and practical skills.

