## The University of Hyogo's Degree Ceremony for the 2023 Academic year

The University of Hyogo's Degree Ceremony for the 2023 Academic year was held at the Kokusai Hall of Kobe International House on March 22, 2024. A total of 1,181 bachelor's students, 406 master's students (including professional degrees), and 23 doctoral students, making up a total of 1,610 graduates, proudly completed their studies at the University of Hyogo.

The ceremony took place in a solemn atmosphere, with President Makoto Kosaka handing over the degree certificates to top students from each faculty.













In his ceremonial address, President Makoto Kosaka congratulated and paid tribute to the graduates who have spent their student lives under the severe restrictions of the COVID-19. Referring to trends in contemporary society, he pointed out that we are facing a major crisis in an age of high uncertainty and difficulty in predicting the future, and said: "We must not leave the future to chance. We cannot allow the modern world to expropriate the wealth and wealth of the future. I hope that your flexible sensibility and clear eyes, which can share the pain of others and reach out to them, you will break down the walls that surround us and pave the way for the global diversity and borderless society of the future". He concluded: "As young people responsible for the future of our richly diverse planet, I hope you will believe in your own strength and take a new step forward. Your experience of never being discouraged in the difficult times of the COVID-19 disaster will continue to be a source of inspiration for you in the future. When people of the world cherish each other, the world is embraced by love. When we pray for others, their names become our names. I believe that you will grow like a flexible tree with roots and spreading branched and leaves, and that you will weave a beautiful life story."

## < GBC, DGB Students >

Global Business Course (GBC), the School of Economics and Management sent out 34 students, and Department Global Business (DGB), the Graduate School of Social Sciences sent out 5 students.







## To Our Dear Graduates,

The bond between you and the University shall not break once you graduate or complete your studies; the University of Hyogo is your caring alma mater and a place you can return to. You are always welcome to visit the campus.

Our faculty and staff wish you all further success in your future endeavors.

Congratulations on your graduation!

## <At the Graduation Party after the Ceremony>











