

#### **1-4 The Purpose of the Humanities and Sciences Master's Program**

The purpose of the Humanities and Sciences Master's Program is to provide deep and detailed knowledge from a broad perspective, and to foster the ability to engage in research in the field of specialty or the advanced skills needed for jobs, etc., that require a high level of specialization.

The purposes of each division of the master's program are as follows.

- (a) The purpose of the Division of Comparative Studies of Societies and Cultures is to build a high level of expertise related to the humanities, focusing on language, thought, history, and art, and to develop human resources who have rich and varied interdisciplinary research capabilities based on a broad range of learning.
- (b) The purpose of the Division of Human Developmental Sciences is to develop human resources who have basic research capabilities in educational science, psychology, developmental clinical psychology, sociology, and childcare and educational support, as well as the ability to make a comprehensive and organic connection between human psychological development and the problems of the social environment, based on an interdisciplinary perspective.
- (c) The purpose of the Division of Gender and Social Sciences is to develop human resources who seek to acquire new knowledge that will enable them to solve contemporary problems related to humans, daily life, society, and the environment, from the perspectives of social and family policies, geography and environmental studies, and gender and development studies, and who have an international point of view.
- (d) The purpose of the Division of Life Sciences is to develop human resources who strive to organically integrate the academic disciplines of biological science and life science, who view humans from the perspectives of both life and daily living, and who have a broad understanding of life sciences overall, from the fundamentals to application.
- (e) The purpose of the Division of Advanced Sciences is to develop human resources who have a high level of expertise in the fields of mathematics, physics, chemistry and biochemistry, and computer science, and who are highly motivated to pioneer learning in boundary and uncharted fields.
- (f) The purpose of the Cooperative Major in Human Centered Engineering is to develop human resources who are able to take a consumer-centered perspective with a broad understanding of engineering, from the basics to application, and flexibly view issues related to human living from an engineering standpoint.