

## **Introducing the AY 2012 Evolution of the Ritsumeikan University Graduate School of Science and Engineering**

- Reorganization of the major fields of study within the Graduate School of Science and Engineering, and establishment of the Graduate School of Information Science and Engineering as well as the Graduate School of Life Science -

In order to better develop our educational approach to science and engineering fields, Ritsumeikan University will reorganize the major fields of study within the Graduate School of Science and Engineering and establish two new graduate schools, the Graduate School of Information Science and Engineering and the Graduate School of Life Sciences, effective April 2012.

The various, complicated aspects of modern society demand that the education and research sector be able to respond with increasingly specialized, leading edge fields of scholarship. To this end, the new evolution of science and engineering fields at Ritsumeikan University plans for the systematic arrangement of the curricula of undergraduate studies, which are the foundation of the graduate schools, the promotion of a close relationship between undergraduate and graduate studies, and increased sophistication of education and research in order to better address the cultivation of highly-specialized researchers and professionals embrace the cultivation of researchers and highly specialized professionals.