

1. Overview of the initiative

【Name of the Initiative】

Creating the Global University: Toward a sustainable society from pioneering Japan

【Future vision of the University to be realized through the efforts for the TGU Project】

"Sustainable society", the center of the initiative of the University, is seriously studied and taught in Japan, which has experienced many challenges earlier than the rest of the world. By attracting a diverse array of research to the University on a global scale, we will strive to become a university leading globalization of Japanese society, through establishment and dissemination of "made-in-Japan" sustainable education which can be only realized in Japan, including sustainability of society brought about by stability of jobs due to the high level of education, and sustainability of culture with a long history and diversified development.

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- ⊙ Develop an environment where global society can be felt on a daily basis
- ⊙ Train human resources having abilities to survive anywhere in the world

■ Collect human resources for establishing a "sustainable society", and enhance the power for transmitting messages to global society

- ⊙ Build an internationally competent education system
- ⊙ Train teachers to become internationally competent
- ⊙ Enhance the function for accepting foreign students

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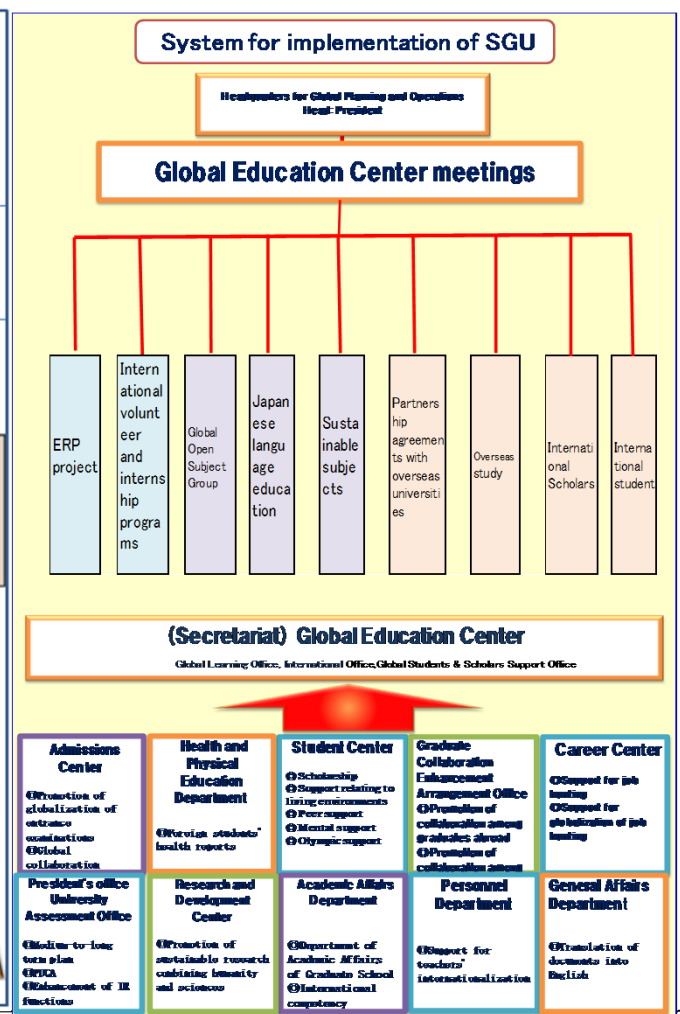
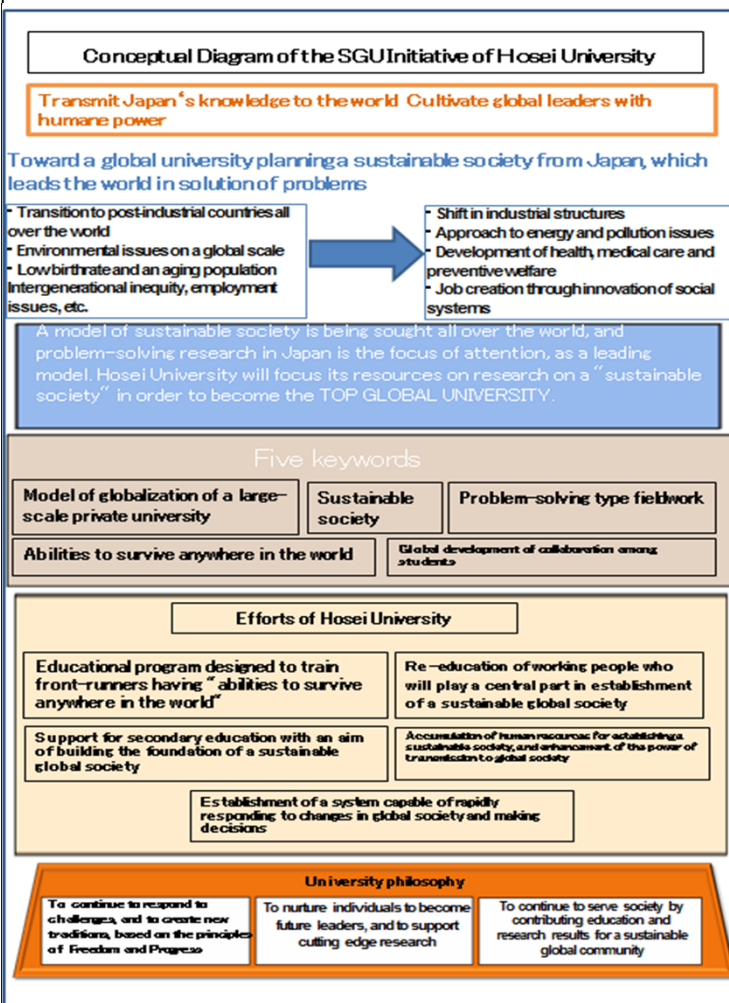
- ⊙ Reform the entrance examination system to correspond to globalization
- ⊙ Provide a wide variety of educational programs in the University in enhanced collaboration with domestic and overseas high schools engaged in globalization

■ Encourage working people, who will play a central part in establishment of a sustainable global society, to return to school

- ⊙ Offer global re-education to working people with the use of rich resources and networks of the University
- ⊙ Present model examples of human resources, including graduates, who may contribute to realization of a "sustainable society", thereby guiding university education

■ Establish a decision-making system capable of quickly responding to changes in global society

- ⊙ Make governance reforms to guarantee rapid decision-making



【Outline of the ten-year plan】

■ Train front-runners having abilities to survive anywhere in the world

- ◎ Implement educational programs designed to achieve a "Made-in-Japan" sustainable society
 - * Implement "problem-solving type fieldwork" jointly created by Japanese and foreign students
 - * Establish cross-faculty subject groups called "Global Open Group" and "Group for a Sustainable Society"
 - * Newly establish six degree courses offered in English, which deserve to be taken especially in modern Japan
- ◎ Develop an environment where global society can be felt on a daily basis
 - * Dramatically increase the number of lectures given in English and other foreign languages
 - * Develop an environment where advanced English skills can be acquired, through an "English Reinforcement Program (ERP)" and a "G Lounge"
 - * Increase opportunities to join volunteer activities and internships in international organizations located in Japan
- ◎ Train human resources having abilities to survive anywhere in the world
 - * Enhance the system for dispatching students to foreign countries, and the "Study Abroad"(SA) system
 - * Globally develop student collaboration programs, including participation in support activities overseas

■ Collect human resources for establishing a "sustainable society", and enhance the power for transmitting messages to global society

- ◎ Transmit research results to the world, focusing on "sustainable research" combining humanities and sciences
 - Collect and organize research materials including literature and images, and enhance archive functions so as to transmit messages to the world
 - Promote sustainable research, including research on cities (Edo, Tokyo) trying to harmonize nature, society and culture
 - Promote sustainability education/research in collaboration with efforts made by the U.N. and UNESCO
 - Transmit "research results designed to solve challenges in Japan", such as regional revitalization and environmental problems
- ◎ Build an internationally competent education system
 - * Introduce an academic calendar combining semesters and quarters, and numbering codes
 - * Have the Business School internationally certified
- ◎ Train teachers to become internationally competent
 - * Invite excellent researchers and teachers from abroad for a short period
 - * Promote employment of foreign staff and people with work experience abroad
- ◎ Enhance the function for accepting foreign students
 - * Increase the number of partner schools abroad, and expand foreign offices mainly in Southeast Asia
 - * Enhance the entrance examination system for foreign students
 - * Build and expand international dormitories (room-sharing type). Improve facilities for short-term trainings

■ Support secondary education institutions so as to build the foundation of a sustainable global society

- ◎ Reform the entrance examination system to correspond to globalization
 - * Introduce an entrance examination based on the International Baccalaureate, thereby improving the framework for adopting Baccalaureate education
 - * Enhance the entrance examination based on external English tests
 - * Introduce an entrance examination focusing on applicants' global experience
- ◎ Provide a wide variety of educational programs in the University in enhanced collaboration with domestic and overseas high schools engaged in globalization
 - * Offer educational support through university-high school collaboration, on the basis of affiliated schools (SGH) of the University
 - * Implement a variety of educational programs including problem-solving type presentation competitions in English, and short-term campus tours in English

■ Encourage working people, who will play a central part in establishment of a sustainable global society, to return to school

- ◎ Offer global re-education to working people with the use of rich resources and networks of the University
 - * Newly establish a global MBA course in English, which will be offered only to people with work experience
 - * Offer a wide variety of programs to foster qualities required for supporting a sustainable society
 - * Introduce the extended registration system not only in master's courses but also in doctoral courses, thereby responding to various career paths
- ◎ Present model examples of human resources, including graduates, who may contribute to realization of a "sustainable society", thereby guiding university education
 - * Build a human network based on the "global network" of the graduates
 - * Organise "HOSEI MEETINGS", sponsored by the University, in overseas cities as well

■ Establish a decision-making system capable of quickly responding to changes in global society

- ◎ Make governance reforms
 - * Establish "HOSEI 2030", a long-term vision toward the 150th anniversary of the University
 - * Introduce the vice president system for the purpose of enhancing the president's leadership and supporting the president
 - * Make fundamental reforms including revision of systems relating to contribution, contemplating what officers ought to be
 - * Enhance and improve the ICT infrastructure and IR functions

【Distinctive efforts (internationalization, governance reforms, educational reforms, etc.)】

These efforts are designed to cultivate human resources having interdisciplinary knowledge required to solve problems, responding to future changes in Japan and the world in advance. These efforts are also designed to cultivate front-runners having knowledge and experience corresponding to globalization, and to boost demand for opportunities to return to school, thereby remarkably improving individuals' abilities. These are farsighted and leading efforts in that a large-scale, socially influential private university has started to cultivate human resources with an aim of realizing a global sustainable society.

2. Progress of the Efforts (in FY 2014)

■ Common performance indicators and goals

Internationalization

Percentage of foreign students in the total student population

In the ESOP (Exchange Students from Overseas Program), which started in 1997, students learn the latest topics of Japanese culture and economy, etc., in English, and are given lessons of Japanese and hands-on learning of Japanese culture. This program also includes interaction with Japanese students. This program is highly evaluated by overseas universities. The University is receiving more and more requests for execution of exchange agreements, and accepting more and more foreign students. As a result of implementation of short-term student acceptance programs, the reform of entrance examinations and public relations activities abroad, in addition to ESOP, the total number of foreign students accepted by the undergraduate and graduate schools is increasing from 588 in FY2012, 669 in FY2013 to 905 in FY2014.

Percentage of all the university's students from Japan who have studied abroad

In addition to the Study Abroad Program, we conducted surveys in Malaysia and Vietnam for the purpose of developing international volunteer/internship programs. We implemented an international internship program in collaboration with the Vietnam FPT University in February, and another international internship program at the Kuala Lumpur shop of Kinokuniya Bookstore in Malaysia. We gave English trainings in Malaysia and German trainings in Australia from August to September, and in March. We further gave Chinese trainings in China and Taiwan, and Korean trainings in Korea from February to March. The number of students sent to foreign countries overseas is 804 in FY2012, 877 in FY2013 and 990 in FY2014, which is increasing steadily.

Exchange on the basis of agreements between universities

Under the policy of increasing the number of agreements between universities which will enhance the opportunities of students, we have promoted execution of such agreements. The number of universities/institutes with which we entered agreements increased from 108 in FY2012, 130 in FY2013 to 145 in FY2014.

Governance Reforms

Establishment of concrete visions and medium-term plans, etc.

The HOSEI 2030 Establishment Board and individual committees for establishing long-term visions of the University mentioned challenges relating to management and operations of the University ("vision for governance") and internationalization strategies ("vision for globalization") as important issues that should be examined with long-term visions in mind, and have been examining those visions in close association with this Initiative.

Schemes for achieving quick decision-making

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Establishment of the Global Education Center

With the adoption of this Initiative, the Global Education Center was established in November. The Global Strategy Headquarters Council and the Global Learning Office were also established at the same time. Also in November, it was decided that the University Assessment Committee was in charge of external assessment of SGU in every fiscal year, so we have been evaluated by members of an external assessment committee.

Educational Reforms

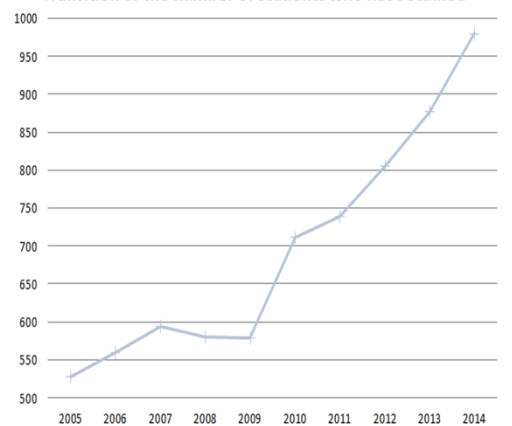
Improvement of facilities for active learning

From the standpoint of "making units substantial", we have made efforts to improve environments for assuring students' autonomous learning to encourage students to study actively, thereby making learning substantial. In order to promote active learning such as group work, fieldwork and presentations, we have improved learning environments corresponding to active learning in every campus where the faculties are located. In addition, the active learning facility ("Learning Commons") in the Ichigaya Campus has learning advisors, who are graduate students, to receive consultation about preparation of reports or research papers, presentation methods, and learning in general from graduate students.

Transition of the number of foreign students



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〈Active Learning Facilities〉

Reform of the entrance examination system

It is decided that, for entrance examinations for FY 2016 (to be held in FY 2015), external English tests will be utilized for general entrance examinations in the Faculty of Humanity and Environment, Faculty of Social Policy and Administration, Faculty of Global and Interdisciplinary Studies, Faculty of Sports and Health Studies, Faculty of Computer and Information Sciences and Faculty of Bioscience and Applied Chemistry, and for a self-recommendation entrance examination in Faculty of Economics. In addition, "global experience" public application recommendation entrance examinations will be held in the Faculty of Letters, Faculty of Business Administration and Faculty of Life-Long Learning and Career Studies, and an International Baccalaureate will be utilized for self-recommendation entrance examinations in the Faculty of Letters, Faculty of Intercultural Communication and Faculty of Life-Long Learning and Career Studies. Since the entrance examinations for FY 2015, the Faculty of Law, Faculty of Economics, Faculty of Humanity and Environment, Faculty of Engineering and Design and Faculty of Bioscience and Applied Chemistry will give foreign students an opportunity to take an entrance examination even before they come to Japan. It is decided that such a system will be introduced in the Faculty of Computer and Information Sciences as well, starting from the examination for FY2016.

Implementation of Academic Support Service

The Academic Support Service, a program for supporting Japanese teachers in giving presentations and lessons in English, was introduced as a trial from December to January. While this program was implemented only for six weeks when lessons were given, about 16 teachers used the Service and received advice from foreign lecturers. Based on the results, projects for supporting teachers will be continuously implemented in all the campuses, starting from FY2015.

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〈FD training at an overseas university〉

Our own performance indicators and goals

Support for secondary education with an aim of building the foundation of global society

For the purpose of supporting promotion of globalization of secondary education, we established a class for students from the affiliated high schools in the English Reinforcement Program (ERP) during the spring vacation of FY2014, and implemented a program designed to improve four English skills through the two-week intensive course of four hours a week. In addition to the English Camp at the Mitaka City Daisan Junior High School, we are conducting educational collaborative activities with students from Yokohama City Utsukushigaoka Junior High School, Miwada Gakuen High School and The Second High School of Tokyo Agricultural University. We have decided to conduct collaborative activities with overseas high schools as a part of the Sakura Science Plan in the summer of FY2015.



〈Collaborative activities with secondary education institutions〉

Organization of alumni networks

An alumni network has been established with the use of LinkedIn. Soon after the establishment, more than 3,700 graduates joined the network both within and outside Japan. In addition, the Graduate Collaboration Enhancement Arrangement Section decided to hold an "HOSEI MEETING," graduates' meeting, in Dusseldorf, Germany in FY2015, and is now in the process of preparing for the meeting. In order to secure talented students, a graduate living in Korea was appointed as higher education advisor for FY2015.

Distinctive efforts based on the characteristics of the University

Promotion of collaboration among students

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〈Students' collaboration (Language Buddy)〉

Free field

Efforts toward establishment of English degree courses and problem-solving fieldwork

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With establishment of the English degree courses, we are planning to offer the Global Open Subject Group, and to include the Problem-solving Type Fieldwork, which is based on sustainability-related programs offered in various faculties, in the "Subjects common to all faculties". Here students, foreign or Japanese, will go out to various fields all over Japan to learn "problems tackled by Japanese society (environmental issues, decreasing birthrate and aging population, and regeneration of communities)." We hope that students having pluralistic cultural backgrounds will enter a field composed of various communities and acquire the practical power of creating sustainable society in the process of solving challenges, which every country in the world will evenly face in the future, in collaboration with one another.

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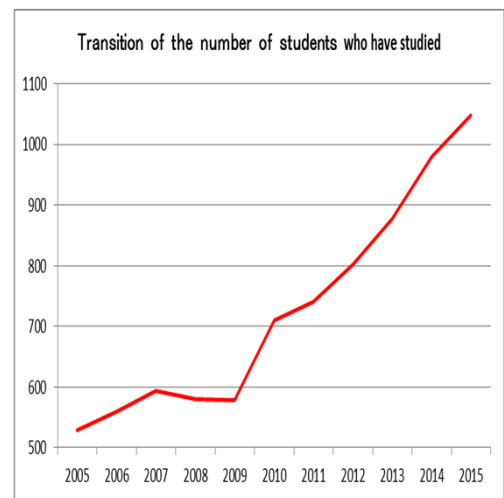
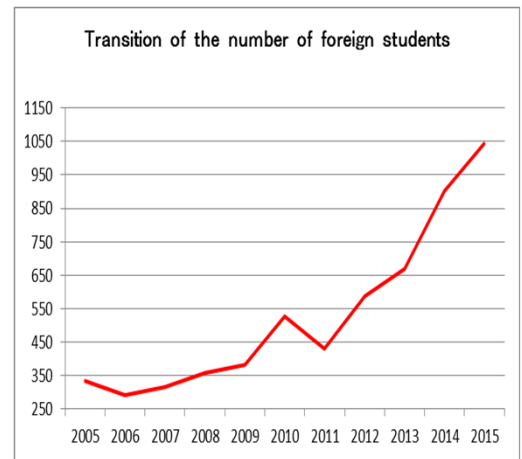
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