

# Re-Inventing Japan Project

Support for the Formation of Collaborative Programs with ASEAN Universities

**【Name of project】**(Adopted year: FY2012, Category II)

A Spiral Model of Collaborative Education: Balancing Global and Local Values through Legal Mind

**【Aim of project, Ideals of Global Human Resource on the project】**

To foster experts bridging ASEAN and Japan who value universal principles whilst understanding local diversities through the development of a legal mind.

**【Summary of project】**

A comprehensive cooperative program with four leading universities in ASEAN, namely the National University of Singapore, Malaya University, Chulalongkorn University, Ateneo de Manila University, including *inter alia* short-term and semester-length exchange as well as double-degree-programs.

## ■ Forming the University Network with Quality Assurance

### ○ Japan's first LL.M. --- the basis of the Project

Launched in 1994 as Japan's first LL.M. program taught entirely in English, our LL.M. program has provided legal education at high global standards to approximately 400 graduates.

### ○ Framework of Quality Assurance in Cooperation with Partners

The following 4 elements ensure the quality of the program: ① Conducting a seminar with all partner institutions for mutual acknowledgement & identification of high standards of quality assurance ② Grading using the ACTS ③ Creating system for thesis supervision for double-degree-program ④ Requiring a final presentation by all participating students. Additionally, an Asian Law lecture by a professor from a partner universities was also initiated 2013.

## ■ Contents of the Programs, Preparation for the Start of the Programs

(Kick-off event seminar)

### ○ Short-term Exchange --- Gate Way to the SEND Program

This primarily consists of ① Training program (including training in local languages & Japanese language teaching support) ② Joint seminars with Law & Japan Studies at partner universities ③ Workshops at local high schools on 3 topics (a "spiral approach") of "Conflict Management", "Cultural Heritage & Cultural Identity", & "Cool Japan Policy" designed mainly for undergraduate students. Students will also undergo internship training & assist in Japanese classes. So far, we have dispatched students to Thailand & Singapore (conducting joint seminars on "Conflict Management" in March 2013), & received students from Chulalongkorn University & Ateneo de Manila

University under the theme of "Heritage & Cultural Identity" this May 2013. A kick-off event seminar was also held in Kyushu University during their visit in Fukuoka.

### ○ Semester Exchange & Double Degree Program

Designated mainly for the students who have experienced the Short-term exchange (the "upstream spiral"), the program will be multilaterally supported by a consortium of all partner universities. This will include internship at local entities & Japanese language teaching support.

### ○ Trilateral Preparation

Our professors have been improving the exchange program by visiting partner universities (Law & Japanese Studies) & high schools, in preparation for the exchange programs as well as to gather feedback. Furthermore, students from Chulalongkorn University Demonstration School & National University of Singapore, Japanese Studies visited Fukuoka for interactions with our students in May 2013.

## ■ Student-Mobility

### ○ Outbound

By integrating the undergraduate school of Law & LL.M. It is expected that about 1/5 of all law faculty students will participate in this program. In addition, one of the students who participated last March 2013 in Singapore & Thailand was selected as the lone representative of Japan for "International Youth Forum" to be held in June 2013.

### ○ Inbound

In order to increase students' interaction with our partner Universities, & high schools, we will provide a high-quality exchange program that includes workshops & other activities to be lead by our students.

## ■ Promotion of Student-Mobility Environment

### ○ Enhanced "Internationality" & English Proficiency of Japanese undergraduates through Integration w/ LL.M.

The following methods will be adopted to increase interest among Japanese students: ① "Internationalizing" freshmen ② Providing English courses to lower academic year students. ③ Increasing opportunities to take TOEFL ④ Providing opportunities of learning with international students of the LL.M. ⑤ Encouraging Japanese students to enter the LL.M.

### ○ Hosting Students Based on Our Rich Experience

Kyushu University is one of the leading Universities in hosting international students in Japan. ① Kyushu University hosted 2,080 students in 2013 ② We established ATW in 2001 & AsTW in 2009, both regarded as pioneering SEND programs today ③ Law faculty offers LL.M., LL.D. (1999~), YLP (2001~), & BiP (2009~) ④ Providing a "one stop service" support center.

## ■ Visualization of the Content of Education, Dissemination of the Outcomes

### ○ Website & Research Presentations

Through our website, we will distribute information of our program using videos & new tool such as SNS. Students participating in this program are expected to present their achievements at ASLI, JSA-ASEAN or our specially convened symposium.

(Workshop at a high school in Singapore)



	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Outbound	22	14	26	40	40
Inbound	0	20	28	32	36

Note : FY2012 results, FY2013 -2016 planned