

【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.

(Closing event of the project)



【Summary of project】

A comprehensive cooperation program with 4 leading ASEAN universities, namely National University of Singapore, University of Malaya, Chulalongkorn University, and Ateneo de Manila University through short and semester-length exchanges, double degree programs, as well as an internship program under the Spiral Model.

Forming the University Network with Quality Assurance

(SEND Program at High School in Thailand)



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

Launched in 1994 as Japan's first ever LL.M. program taught entirely in English, the LL.M. program has provided high quality legal education at global standards to more than 560 graduates now working in various legal fields around the world. The program also partners with top international law schools through credit and non-credit exchanges.

Tapping on the success of the current LL.M. course system, the project ensures quality and strengths are shared to the partners via an annual coordination meeting.

○ Installation of the External Evaluation Committee (May 2014, February 2017)

In order to maintain and improve the program, experts from various disciplines were tapped to give feedback and recommendations as members of the External Evaluation Committee. The final evaluation was obtained at the closing event of the program.

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

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

In 2016 the following were conducted under the main themes of Heritage: 1. Training prior to dispatch (English proficiency & ASEAN language trainings). 2. Seminar classes that focused on the theme. 3. Presentations & Workshops with students of partners (Law and Japan Studies) universities as well as cultural workshops with ASEAN high schools, and 4. One-day internships with local Japanese companies. A total of 233 outbound and 118 inbound students have benefited from the program that year. These bilateral and multilateral exchanges contributed to a deeper understanding of Japanese culture and the diversity of ASEAN cultures.

○ Semester Exchange, Internship & Double Degree Program

Customized programs were also created for upper-class students and graduate students. In July 2015, one student who participated in the project went to National University of Singapore for 2 semesters. Likewise, another student participated in an internship with the Asia-Pacific Regional Office for the Hague Conference in cooperation with Ateneo Law School (Feb 2017). One student under The Double degree agreement with Ateneo Law School (signed on Feb. 2015) finished her LL.M. course in Kyushu University on September 2016, and a new student is currently enrolled in the same program (from October 2016). In addition, a Double degree agreement was also signed with University of Malaya on April 2016 and is expected to begin its full scale operation in the future.

○ Closing event of the project

The event "Learn Through Experience (LTE), the spiral model in International Education" was held in February, to culminate the 5 years of the project. In addition to students from Kyushu University and ASEAN university partners, ASEAN high school teachers & students and past participants of the short term exchanges, presented on how the exchange programs benefited them. Particularly, the "Simulated UNESCO World Heritage Committee Meeting" by students of Kyushu University and our partner universities, received high evaluations from both participants and guests, earning praise for the high level debate and discussion that was accomplished.

Student-Mobility

○ Outbound

The new Global Vantage Program (GV) initiated in 2015 integrated the undergraduate law and the LL.M. through Internationalization and improvement of English language ability of the students. Creation of a Mobility program to fill the gap from graduation and entry into graduate studies or the workplace. Support was also given to students who qualified for foreign exchange programs.

○ Inbound

In order to increase students' interaction with our partner Universities provided a high-quality exchange program that includes lectures, workshops & other activities to led by our students under supervision from the faculty.

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Outbound	22	42	56	51	60
Inbound	0	35	31	22	30

Promotion of Student-Mobility Environment

○ Enhanced "Internationalization" & "English Proficiency"

To enhance the internationalization of the Japanese student, lectures in English for small-group classes, more opportunities to take TOEFL exam, and meaningful exchanges with Kyushu University foreign students & visiting foreign students were implemented.

○ Staff Development

Provide support and information before, during, and after participation in the program via a "one stop service" student support center.

Internationalization of the university Information disclosure and Publication of outcome

○ Website and SNS information integration

Program information was disseminated through our website, virtual pamphlet, cloud photo & video storage, and SNS. website: <http://www.law.kyushu-u.ac.jp/sekaitenkai/> facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/reinventingjapanproject>

○ Student's Follow-up Seminars

Conducted follow-up seminars through presentations by former participants (outbound program) of their experience to the younger students of the university using student-developed video and presentations.

