Building Kyushu University’s future through the TGU project

Kyushu University is endeavoring to become a globally leading education and research hub in Kyushu District, Japan. We are implementing major reforms in research, education, and governance as well as enhancing our capacity for strategic information delivery based on our particular institutional strengths—our comprehensiveness, which permits international collaboration in a variety of disciplines and fields of academic research; our resourcefulness, which facilitates multifaceted approaches to research and education; and our global openness, which supports a broad, diverse engagement in education and research with all corners of the world, and drawing specifically upon our considerable experience in Asia. The construction of, and relocation to, a new main campus at Ito—site of the new hub area that will attract the world’s leading minds, and that will shape and ensure the University’s future—will conclude in 2018.

Project summary

“SHARE-Q” is a package of enhancements and reforms in research, education, and governance. The initiatives are intended jointly to achieve the following goals: ① internationalization of education, ② internationalization of research, ③ governance reforms to support internationalization, ④ enhancement of international visibility and strengthening of reputation management, ⑤ improvements for an internationalized campus, and ⑥ development and greater use of overseas offices. Establishment of the “Top Global Hub Campus” by the time of project completion will derive from the synergistic effects of nine “SHARE” components, centered on the new campus, as shown below:
Summary of the 10-year plan

**STAGE I**
Begin implementation of reforms

- **Education System**
  1. Introducing KIKAN (basic) education curricula
  2. Expanding the International Undergraduate Degree Programs
  3. Promotion of student mobility (enhancement of support systems for students)
  4. Promotion of internationalization of multiple supervisory system
  5. Establishment and enhancement of the “Global Zone”

- **Research Organization**
  1. Setting priority areas of research and expanding internationally
  2. Promotion of globally leading international research collaborations
  3. Promotion of overseas training for younger scholars
  4. Establishment of Center for Asia-Pacific Future Studies (CAFES): Gateway for internationalization of the University’s humanities and social sciences departments
  5. Setting priority areas of research and expanding internationally
  6. Promotion of globally leading international research collaborations
  7. Strategic information delivery of research outcomes of the humanities and social sciences studies
  8. Strategic information delivery of outcomes of overseas training for younger scholars
  9. Increasing international co-authored papers
  10. Increasing international co-authored papers

- **Governance - System Reform**
  1. Establishment of Project Headquarters for Globalization. Enhancement of URA function
  2. Actively recruiting domestic/international faculty under the annual salary system; obligation for all new faculty members to conduct classes in English
  3. Establishment of Reputation Management Unit(RM)
  4. Development and further use of overseas offices

**STAGE II**
Expand Implementation of Reforms

- **Education System**
  1. Introduction of the quarter system
  2. Establishment of a new undergraduate school
  3. Increasing classes taught in English (over 25%)
  4. Introduction to international GPA system and setting graduation requirement score
  5. Introduction to joint/double degree programs with overseas universities

- **Research Organization**
  6. Promotion of world’s leading international research collaboration
  7. Strategic information delivery of research outcomes of the humanities and social sciences studies
  8. Strategic information delivery of outcomes of overseas training for younger scholars
  9. Increasing international co-authored papers
  10. Increasing international co-authored papers

- **Governance - System Reform**
  11. Promotion of reputation management by RM unit
  12. Enhancement of overseas offices’ function
  13. Actively recruiting young/ international/ female faculty under the annual salary system
  14. Relocation project to the new campus

**STAGE III**
Complete Implementation of Reforms

- **Education System**
  1. Establishment of “School on the Move” program
  2. Establishment of world standard, high-quality international education programs and various systems for degree seeking student
  3. Increasing student mobility in Asia and Europe

- **Research Organization**
  4. Increasing actively exchanges of world class education and research through SHARE-Q
  5. Improving international reputation of research of the university’s humanities and social sciences studies department
  6. Increasing faculty mobility in Asia and Europe

- **Governance - System Reform**
  7. Increasing international faculty
  8. Increasing faculty and staff meetings on campus conducted in English
  9. Increasing international research grants
  10. Reaching top-100 status in world university rankings

**Featured initiatives in SHARE-Q internationalization, University reform, and education reform:**

1. Establishment of a new undergraduate school
   Implement “Class Share” synergies through Japanese students and international students studying together.
2. Recruiting of international faculty, and requirement for new appointees to teach classes in a foreign language.
   Double the number of international faculty by 2018. Require all new teachers to conduct classes in a foreign tongue.
3. Establishment of priority research areas
   Increase internationally co-authored papers through establishment of priority areas for world-leading research. Sponsor serial international symposia in the priority areas.
4. Reform of research portfolios
   Enhancement of research capabilities of each department through organizational and other reforms: Implement external evaluations by committees that include world-leading researchers.
5. Enhancement of strategic reputation management
   Improve international visibility and status through strategic reputation management, achieving top-100 standing in global university rankings.

**Measures for the promotion of collaboration with foreign universities**

1. Standardize curricula through increased double degree and joint degree programs
   Increase number of double degree/joint degree programs (from six to sixteen over 10 years) and frequency of courses taught jointly with partner universities.
2. Increase student mobility through short-term student exchange
   Launch new short-term student exchange programs for global human resources development.
3. Utilize overseas offices
   Establish overseas offices to function as hubs for collaborative research and education, to promote the exchange of graduate students and young researchers, and to sponsor international symposia.
4. Facilitate administrative staff development
   Enhance administrative staff capabilities for institutional globalization through training programs in collaboration with partner institutions, internal training, qualification testing, and training tours in overseas offices.
2. FY2014 Progress

Meeting common indicators and targets

Internationalization

1. Increase of international student and academic staff recruitment
   a. Clarification of fundamental policy and regulations for academic staff recruitment
   b. Expansion of overseas student recruitment efforts
   c. Discussions on possibility of new short-term student exchange programs with foreign institutions.

2. Enhancement of support for international students
   a. Support for international student career planning: Hiring of new coordinators for career counseling of international students; held job-hunting guidance workshop and a recruiting fair with Japanese companies eager to hire international students.
   b. Improvement of housing options for students: Opened new dormitories to house both international and Japanese students together, providing accommodation for more than 1,300 residents on the main campus.

3. Strengthening of education abroad management
   a. Establishment of Global Student Exchange Center: Center staff now offer study abroad advising services at every campus. Eleven students were selected by the Japanese Government as full-scholarship recipients under the TOBITATE Japan program.

4. Promotion of education and research internationalization
   a. Change of academic calendar: Discussions on shifting to the quarter system, to start in 2017.
   b. Multi-lingualization of classes: Set fundamental policy for promotion of conducting classes in foreign languages, with goal to hold 25% of all classes in another tongue.

University reform

1. Personnel system reforms
   a. Introduction and application to 13 tenured professors of a new annual salary system, consisting of base and performance-related compensation. To be gradually extended and applied to senior faculty members according to age from 2015.
   b. Introduction of a faculty joint appointment system to promote cross-departmental collaboration by talented faculty members.

2. Governance Reforms
   a. Revision of University rules defining the President’s leadership authority and clarification of regulations establishing the role of faculty councils. Reorganization of committee system to enhance efficiency.
   b. Holding of intensive English training programs for administrative staff, who were TOEIC-IP tested. Implementation for all administrative staff of TOEIC e-learning courses and TOEIC-IP testing in 2015.

Education reform

1. Education System Reforms
   a. Launching of new undergraduate “KIKAN Education” curricula to nurture “active learners” who will continue to learn independently throughout their lifetime.
   b. Various internationalization-related reforms including review and restructuring of the GPA system, reworking of the course numbering system, and revision of standardized syllabus formats.
   c. In response to the growth of MOOCs, offering of first online course—“Global Social Archaeology,” produced by the Innovation Center for Educational Resource and approved by JMOOC—as part of “OpenLearning, Japan.”

2. Student participation in university governance
   a. Student Committee for Internationalization of Kyushu University (SCIKyu) held the workshop to discuss various topics on “Internationalized university.” The report of the discussion was introduced to the university president.
University’s own indicators and targets

1. Efforts to raise standing in world university rankings
   a. Launching of the Reputation Management Unit to improve the university’s visibility, establish its “brand,” and improve its global ranking through strategic dissemination of information about education and research achievements and enhancing of internal communications.

2. Internationalization of educational system
   a. Concluding of MOUs promoting double-degree programs with Institut Teknologi Bandung, Indonesia and Ateneo de Manila University, Philippines. Conclusion of first Campus Asia Program double-degree master’s course, a joint effort of Pusan National University, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, and Kyushu University.

3. Internationalization of research
   a. Reorganization of the University Research Administration Office into the Industry-University-Government Collaboration Management Center to support pursuit of competitive funds—the Center promotes international joint research grants—and to enhance project management.
   b. 135 international symposiums and academic conferences hosted or co-hosted by Kyushu University were held, such as the International Japan-Egypt Conference on Electronics, Communications and Computers co-hosted by Egypt-Japan University of Science and Technology (E-JUST).

4. Creation of the future-oriented campus
   a. Construction on Ito Campus and in the Global Zone of Ito Kyosokan (Harmony House) and Dormitory 3, where, together with Dormitories 1 and 2 and Ito Guest House, over 1,300 international and Japanese students now live together.
   b. Construction begun on the Internationalization Library, which has a variety of facilitative learning features such as the Active Learning Space. Scheduled for partial opening and use in FY2016.

Initiatives for the enhancement of international reputation

1. Survey and analysis for improving international reputation:
   a. World university rankings analysis
   b. Strategy formulation (regional branding, university branding, global approach, marketing programs)

2. Website renewal:
   a. Strategic dissemination of information
   b. Rapid, effective information-provision system
   c. Widespread accessibility for the world-wide user

3. Become a member of “the World 100 Reputation Network”:
   a. Expanding international networking with professionals for visibility among world-class universities
   b. Strategic promotion overseas

Results of promotion of collaboration with foreign universities

1. New style of overseas office in Australia
   Establishment of branch of Institute of Mathematics for Industry (IMI) at La Trobe University in March 2015. Serves as hub for promoting activities such as joint research and student exchanges with institutes and industry in the Oceania area. Unique in that office staff are jointly selected by both universities—hired by La Trobe and assigned to work as IMI branch staff.

2. Cyber-Security Center
   Established to enhance research and education on cyber-security in collaboration with the University of Maryland.

3. ASEAN in Today’s World
   Two-week international study program focusing on ASEAN and East Asian affairs, held most recently in March 2015 at Hanoi National University, with students from six partner universities attending.

Breaking news!

Japan-Australia Universities Symposium
   Event to promote and strengthen university partnerships between institutions in Japan and Australia, to be held in Sydney on 24 November 2015.
3. FY2015 Progress

Common indicators and targets

### Internationalization
Increase staffing in international offices; enhance the visibility of Kyushu University abroad; raise the level of student exchange activity and reception of foreign guest instructors, using dedicated grants.

**Installment of study-abroad coordinators**
Study-abroad coordinators have been placed on all campuses. Steps have been taken to encourage and facilitate overseas study by Japanese students in diverse academic fields.

**Ranked second nationally in TOBITATE Japan Program awards!**
Kyushu applicants were awarded the second highest number nationwide of TOBITATE government scholarships during the program’s 4th round. This success in part reflects the efforts of the study-abroad coordinators.

**Invitations to foreign faculty**
Foreign instructors and researchers, and especially faculty eminent in their respective fields, have been welcomed, through international exchange agreements with partner institutions, to join or spend time with various academic units.

### University Reforms
Facilitate systemic reform and administrative staff development under the President’s Action Plan.

**Employment through Cross-Appointment System**
We introduced the Cross-Appointment System to personnel management in the Medical Science, Pharmacy, Humanities, and Social Science divisions. An expert authority on border studies, for example, received joint appointments in Humanities and Social Science.

**Expansion of new annual salary system for tenured professors**
Many senior (211) and special project faculty members were brought within the new annual salary system, which will expand eventually to include all faculty.

**Administered TOEIC-IP to all administrative staff under age 55**
Approximately 700 took the test and 19.8% of them earned scores above 600.

**Implemented staff training at the University of Sydney**
Dispatched five staff for a month of administrative training at the University of Sydney to broaden awareness of international practices and further their global and inter-cultural competencies.

### Education Reforms
Reforms for educational internationalization

**Formulation of draft plans for the establishment of a new undergraduate school (to be established in FY2018)**
Principles, issues, and implementation schedules were identified in three policy areas: admissions, curricula, and diplomas.

**Introduction of academic calendar quarter system**
Reforms were implemented to the syllabus, GPA, course numbering and rubric systems; in FY2017, the University academic calendar will change to a quarter system.

**Classes to be taught in a foreign language**
In the near future, 25% of University classes will be conducted in a foreign language exclusively or in a combination with Japanese.

**Syllabi in English**
Course syllabi published originally in Japanese are being translated comprehensively into English for greater accessability.

**Support for individual English study through the Self-Access Learning Centre (SALC)**
SALC was established in 2014. In 2015, 2722 students used SALC, tripling the number of users from the first year.
**University’s own indicators and targets**

**Efforts to raise standing in world university rankings**
We implemented benchmarking for comparisons with both domestic and foreign universities, in the areas of branding, reputation management, and research. We also conducted close inspections of data submitted to the THE and QS evaluators.

**Expansion of double degree programs**
We established double-degree programs with the Egypt-Japan University of Science and Technology (E-JUST), National Taiwan University, and several other institutions. Similar arrangements now exist with 11 universities, exceeding the target (10) for FY2016. We also conducted a forum to develop better understanding of double-degree programs and their role in international education cooperation.

**Building a future-oriented campus**
The new General Science Research Building on Ito Campus was opened in October. Work was begun on the Central Library, the Humanities and Social Sciences Research and Teaching Building, and the Agriculture Research and Teaching Building. All are expected to be completed by 2018, when the University’s relocation to Ito Campus also concludes.

**Initiatives for the enhancement of international reputation**

**Sponsored Japan-China University Presidents Conference**
The theme of the conference was “Internationalization of Chinese and Japanese Universities in the Global Era”; We adopted the “Fukuoka Declaration: Internationalization of Universities in China and Japan.”

**Participated in “the World 100 Reputation Network”**
We joined the World 100 Reputation Network, which links people in charge of reputation management at the world’s top universities. We attended the Network annual meeting, presented our university, and began to build our own network.

**Efforts of RM**
We held a reputation management seminar for our board members lead by the president of World 100 Reputation Network, and a science writing seminar conducted by an expert from Kyoto University.

**Inviting researchers and units from World Top 100 universities**
We invited to Kyushu University 46 researchers in nanomaterials, Japanese humanities and other fields, from World Top 100 universities such as MIT, Stanford University, and UCSB. And we are collaborating in the area of research education.

**Educational cooperation with MJIIIT (Malaysia-Japan International Institute)**
We opened at the University of Technology Malaysia, as one of several ODA projects, the office of MJIIIT, which hosted a discussion to establish a double degree program.

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“Japan-Australia University Symposium Towards Successful Partnerships: Learning from Experiences”
This symposium, which took place in Sydney, was held with the objective of fostering strong relationships between universities in the two countries. It contributed to the promotion of Kyushu University and other TGU universities. The event has resulted in the start-up of joint research with the University of New South Wales and in a colloquium with La Trove University in the humanities and social sciences.

**Formulation of Kyushu University Action Plans 2015**
We announced action plans and priorities for the next six years that identify and determine the fundamental directions our university will take.

**Institute of Energy Research and Education**
We established, as a priority undertaking based on the President’s Action Plan, the Institute of Energy Research and Education. Faculty/personnel points were allocated for this as part of the University activation system.

**Initiation of review of ways to reorganize and strengthen the humanities and social sciences divisions**
These are designated important concerns, as based on the President’s Action Plan.

**Promoting collaboration with foreign universities**

**UQ-KU Project**
We launched a project with the University of Queensland, Australia, to facilitate further interchange. Through an activity center and coordinator placed at UQ, we are promoting academic exchanges, educational cooperation, and industry-academia collaboration.
4. FY2016 Progress

Common indicators and targets

Internationalization

Kyushu University ranked first in number of full-scholarship recipients for the TOBITATE Japan Program 6th award cycle
Support and encouragement of students by study abroad coordinators of the Global Student Exchange Center produced this impressive result. The University's cumulative award success since the inception of TOBITATE Japan places it 2nd among all national institutions.

International Courses
Beginning in FY2018, and following the successful precedent and experience of the Schools of Engineering and Agriculture, six more Kyushu departments will establish international courses using English as the medium of instruction.

Closer Relationship with Egypt
We jointly organized with the Japanese Embassy in Egypt an educational recruiting event, attended by 750 people, called the “Exchange Program Fair.” And in another important collaborative effort, the Center for Japan-Egypt Cooperation in Science and Technology Kyushu University (E-JUST) launched an innovative new double degree program.

Establishment of a Major New School
The School of Interdisciplinary Science and Innovation, to be launched in April 2018, will have as its primary objective the cultivation of individuals with a global outlook and possessing knowledge and skills appropriate for playing active roles in the international community.

Joint Usage Center
In line with its dual aims to develop liberal science education and promote programs fostering the development of specialists, MEXT recently designated Kyushu University a Joint Usage Center for education.

Education with ICT (Information-Communication Technology)
The University is striving to enhance educational performance through ICT-enabled measures, including implementation of the M2B System. This innovative approach was recognized with the 2016 E-Learning Award, and consists of complementary e-learning ("Moodle"), e-portfolio ("Mahara"), and digital textbook distribution ("BookLooper") systems, jointly intended to improve instructional support, student learning, and the analysis of educational data.

University Reforms

Formulation of Internationalization, RM, and Media Strategies
Various strategies necessary to internationalize Kyushu University and based on the President’s 2015-2020 Action Plan were developed.

The Office of Institutional Research (IR)
The Office for Information of University Evaluation was reorganized to IR office and a massive amount of data is being collected. Introduction of SciVal and Pure enables us to analyze international research more effectively.

Personnel-System Reforms
The University developed and implemented the Joint Hiring System, which is designed to attract and employ highly talented researchers from both Japan and abroad.

Translating into English of University Rules and Regulations
In response to the University participation and needs of growing numbers of foreign faculty and international students, we are progressively translating into English, and thereby making more accessible, many of Kyushu University’s rules and regulations.

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Formulation of a Basic Action Plan for World University Ranking Improvement.
Based on the Task Force, of which the president A University task force, commissioned by the President, developed a basic action plan to elevate Kyushu's standing in the leading world university ranking systems. An all-campus FD/SD seminar addressing the topic and related issues was also held.

Enhancement of Double Degree (DD) Programs
With this year’s establishment of a DD program through E-JUST, the number of double degree agreements with partner universities reached 12 in total, exceeding the target for FY 2017.

Initiatives for the Enhancement of University International Reputation

Enhancing and Promoting Institutional Strengths
Kyushu University positioned itself as an innovative energy research leader in the rapidly shifting technology-industry-society environment through the establishment of the Inter/Transdisciplinary Energy Research Platform. In another initiative, it sponsored, in February 2017, the “Energy Week” international symposium, attracting a large and professionally diverse number of international researchers.

Organization of World Social Science Forum
Kyushu University is planning to sponsor and host the World Social Science Forum in 2018. This is a primary event in the annual calendar of the International Social Science Council (ISSC), one the most prestigious of social science research associations.

Establishment RM Strategy
Kyushu University’s RM Unit developed a formal RM strategy to elevate the institution’s international reputation. Efforts are being coordinated with the University’s internationalization and media strategies, in the interest of improving our standing in world university rankings and overall global reputation.

Promoting Collaboration with Foreign Universities

Strengthening of Cooperation with Australian Universities
The Japan-Australia University Symposium held in 2014 promoted cooperation with Australian universities. Several of the joint projects that resulted include: collaborative research in “Hydrogen and Cyber Security” with the University of New South Wales; student and faculty exchanges through the “UQ-KU Research Education Exchange Project” with the University of Queensland; and workshops and colloquia in the humanities and social sciences with La Trobe University, mainly through the Australia Branch of the Institute of Mathematics for Industry.

Consortium with Swedish Universities
The first Japan-Sweden University Presidents Conference, held in 2015, resulted in Kyushu University joining the “MIRAI Project,” a pilot undertaking designed to establish a platform for collaboration between institutions from both countries, and allowing younger researchers especially new opportunities for joint research.

Global Advisory Board Meeting
Five outstanding scholars from leading higher education institutions abroad, including Stanford University and the University of Oxford, joined a convening of the Kyushu University’s Global Advisory Board. The participants offered invaluable opinions and advice and on the School of Interdisciplinary Science and Innovation, to be launched next year, and on the strengthening of the University’s international competitiveness, among other topics. Reflections collected from international faculty regarding University management were presented and discussed.

Launching of Self-Driving Bus Field Trials
Field trials of a self-driving bus have begun on Ito campus. It is hoped this new technology might help to resolve mobility issues related to the ultra-aging of Japanese society. Regular use of the bus on campus is planned for the future.
5. FY2017 Progress

- **Internationalization**

  **Double Degree Programs with overseas universities**
  The Graduate School of Human Environment reached agreement of establishing a new double master degree program for architecture with Busan University, Korea and another with Tongji University, China. The number of graduates from our degree programs reached 81 (KU students: 22. Partner institution students: 49).

  **Overseas Offices**
  The university Hanoi Office organized “Power of Research –Kyushu University Symposium Hanoi 2018,” attended by more than 90 people, to showcase the attractiveness as a research university. Also, as last year, Cairo Office, Egypt held recruiting events in Cairo and Alexandria. Approximately 950 people participated.

  **Symposium in Stockholm**
  Kyushu University organized “International Symposium on Self-Assembly, Colloid and Nanomaterials Chemistry” in Stockholm with the aim of improving the recognition of our university. We Invited prominent scientists from all over the world.

- **University Reforms**

  **Institutional Research (IR)**
  The IR Office collected massive fundamental data to publish “Kyushu University Fact Book” both in Japanese and English. The IR office analyzed the various data through SciVal, Pure and the BI (Business Intelligence) software. The analytics result has been shared to the headquarters and relevant members in the university. It allows the information to be monitored over the years to be visible for management of university.

  **External Evaluation Committee**
  We held an external evaluation committee with four outside well-experienced individuals including one foreign national as a place to examine past achievements of Kyushu University TGU Project (SHARE-Q).

- **Education Reforms**

  **School of Interdisciplinary Science and Innovation**
  Following the governmental approval to establish the new school, the managing system to run the school, such as the administrative office to support faculties and students, has been set up. 486 applicants to 105 spots shows the success of recruiting activities.

  **New Entrance Examination System**
  In the new school, we conducted all four types of entrance exams listed in our new entrance examination "QUBE". We will verify the achievements and aim to develop to all schools.

  **Education Innovation Initiative**
  The initiative was established as a university’s academic management organization that aims to improve the quality of education by planning and promoting policies of the whole school education reform.
University Indicators and Targets

Global campus
On Ito campus, we started on-demand bus simulation experiment using smartphone application. Kyushu University, Itoshima City and three companies entered into a collaboration agreement on “Itoshima-shi Kyushu University international village concept”. We aim to make communities as international science and research cities that are attractive by setting neighboring districts as accepting bases for foreign students and foreign researchers.

5th place in THE Japan University Ranking
In the main ranking which is the main index of educational comprehension, we made a leap from the seventh place of last year to the fifth place. “Educational outcomes” earn high points.

Initiatives for the Enhancement of University International Reputation

Promotion of reputation management (RM)
In collaboration with Deloitte & Tohmatsu which is an international think tank, based on the RM strategy formulated last year, we held a workshop by executive members and another workshop by RM unit members. Through the results of overseas university benchmark survey, international student survey and global enterprise survey, the current situation and extract issues have been shared to the members. Among the issues, The executive members exchanged opinions with members of the Globalization Advisory Board on clarification of research flagship and enhancement of dissemination of overseas information.

Promoting Collaboration with Foreign Universities

Cooperation with the University of Queensland
As a part of the “UQ - KU Project” initiative, we started accepting 15 UQ students. The program cooperates with private enterprises, acquires knowledge of a wide range of engineering fields, history of development of Japanese engineering technology including the current situation of industry, business manners and others.

ASEAN International Study Program at Malaya University
We held a program consisting of ASEAN specialized subjects and an introduction course for Asian culture at University of Malaya, Malaysia for undergraduate students of ASEAN countries. 32 people from 11 universities in seven countries including Japan and Malaysia participated.

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The first simulated UN camp in Japan
Students from the International Student Committee of Kyushu University(SCIKyu) held the summer camp at the university campus, together with volunteers such as the Oxford University United Nations Association and Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University. It aimed to equip students with the skill to become a global leader by providing an environment for learning international sense of debate and cross-cultural understanding. 40 university students and high school students inside and outside the university participated.

Innovation Club starts
Students aiming to create venture businesses “Kyushu University Innovation Club” was established. A software development company that supports artificial intelligence (AI) to determine the presence or absence of disease from a microscopic image was launched as the first venture.