



# Waseda University Global Leadership Program (GLP)

Re-Inventing Japan Project (Adopted year: FY2011, Type B-1)

## 【Summary of project】

The GLP is based on the vision of Waseda University's founder Shigenobu Okuma whose educational philosophy aimed at creating "Harmony between the Eastern and Western civilizations." The GLP is a program that nurtures human resources who can exhibit strong leadership in various fields in our global society. Through collaborative education with our five partner universities in the United States, this program nurtures not only Waseda's undergraduates, but undergraduates of the United States as well, to become global leaders of the future.

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

**Aim of project:** With the rise of Asia in recent decades, the economy, politics, and cultures of the world have become more complex. An appreciation of issues of global significance arising out of the Asia-pacific region is in urgent need. The goal of the GLP is to foster individuals that have a solid knowledge of the histories, cultures, and societies of both Asian and Western countries. On the basis of this knowledge, and with respect for differing value systems, our hope is that these individuals will make valuable contributions as they address these issues.

**Ideals of Global Human Resource:** Our ideal global leader is the one who can further strengthen the "Harmony between the Eastern and Western civilizations" and make positive contributions in our complex world.

An understanding of the histories of Eastern & Western civilizations, cultures and societies

An appreciation of such universal values as courage, trust, and commitment to service

High intellect, analytical abilities, communication skills

### The ability to address global issues

Individuals who can exhibit leadership in international and governmental organizations, the business world, academics, etc.

## Contents of the Program, Preparation for the Start of the Program

### Global Leadership Program 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting at Berkeley

Following the 1<sup>st</sup> GLP Annual Meeting held in March, 2012 when faculty and staff from the five U.S. partner universities (Columbia University, Georgetown University, the University of Pennsylvania, the University of California, Berkeley and the University of Washington) were invited to Japan, Waseda again invited the partners of the program to the University of California, Berkeley in June, 2012.

There were discussions to mutually clarify specific issues regarding the program, e.g.,

- 1) The model curriculum for U.S. students,
- 2) The purpose and contents of the U.S.-Japan Zemi,
- 3) Implementation method of field trip, internships, public presentations and so on,
- 4) The system for credit transfer, and
- 5) The system for accepting Waseda students at U.S. universities



### Waseda Faculty and Staff Pay a Visit to Partner Universities

In order to meet requests of the U.S. partner universities for a better understanding of Waseda's host schools, Waseda's faculty and staff who are in charge of the GLP visited U.S. partners in the beginning of 2013. In addition to introducing each of Waseda's schools, faculty delivered specific information on the curriculum for the U.S. exchange students.



### Curriculum Deliberation

The professors of the U.S.-Japan Zemi and its research themes were selected by the GLP team and host schools after careful deliberation regarding the class contents and the educational benefits. Furthermore, discussions have begun on how to conduct the Global Leadership Fellows Forum, which is primarily managed by students, and how to utilize the field trips, volunteer work and internships.

## Forming the University Network with Quality Assurance

### The Global Leadership Program Planning Meeting

The GLP planning meeting shall have a gathering annually to:

- continue deliberations about the curricula considering credit transfers, grade management, the awarding of certificates
- continue deliberations over faculty exchanges and collaborative team-teaching considering the different academic calendars

### Launch of Third Party Evaluation Committee

A third party evaluation committee was established, including faculty of Waseda's overseas affiliated universities as well as the University of California at Berkeley, a partner university of GLP, and intellectuals from the educational community and economic world. The first meeting is scheduled to take place in fall 2013.

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

### Visualization of the Contents of Education

- The university-wide minor "Global Leadership Studies (GLS)", which was newly established in FY 2011, drew 1,742 students in 26 subjects in AY 2012. 432 students of these students took courses in 8 subjects in the Spring of 2012, and 1,310 students took courses in 18 subjects in the Fall 2012. Waseda will further expand the curriculum of the GLS.
- Some classes are offered "on-demand"

### Dissemination of the Program/Outcomes

The website of the program has been prepared in three versions. Readers can select the appropriate page from the top page:

- ① For Waseda students in Japanese
- ② For Waseda students in English
- ③ For American students of the U.S. partner universities

This website has been a useful and informative vehicle for publicizing the program: <http://www.cie-waseda.jp/glp/gate/>



## Promotion of Student-Mobility Environment

### Support for Outbound Students

10 students selected as the 1st group took an intensive course during the spring break to improve their language ability and academic skills in preparation for studying abroad. Moreover, during the 2013 spring semester, the students will participate in an overnight seminar, in addition to taking an American style course to gain knowledge of aspects of Eastern/Western histories, cultures and societies.

### Support for Inbound Students

• In preparation for the selection of American students in 2014, promotion of the program began at the Study Abroad Fair held at the University of California, Berkeley in September 2012. More than 100 students visited Waseda's booth at the fair.

• Also, the production of a promotion brochure and a DVD about the program for American students are currently in progress. Both will be used in student recruiting at the U.S. partner universities.



## Student-Mobility

### Sending Japanese Students

Each year 10 to 15 students will be selected as GLP candidates and be sent to the U.S. partner universities beginning in the Fall 2013.

### Accepting American Students

From AY 2014, Waseda will accept the same number of students from the U.S. partner universities.

Accepted students will join the U.S.-Japan Zemi with Waseda students who have finished studies in the U.S.

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Outbound	—	5*	12	12	12
Inbound	—	9*	0	12	12

\*Prior to this program, student exchanges started under the existing exchange agreements.