

【Outline of the Initiatives】

We are committed to enhancing and enriching our renowned Center for Japanese Language and Culture as a base of Japanese language and culture education for international students. We continue to develop a wide range of Study Abroad Programs and provide a truly cosmopolitan environment on campus. To do so, we are strengthening the Center's networks with the prestigious international institutions that we have on campus, such as the Stanford Japan Center and Tubingen University Center for Japanese Language.

■ Expanding International Exchange and Educational Cooperation with Overseas Institutions

○ The Launch of Double Degree Programs (DDPs)

In addition to existing DDPs with the Politecnico di Milano (Italy), ESPCI (France), the graduate schools of Engineering and Life and Medical Sciences launched a new DDP with Xidian University (China) in 2010-11. The Law School is also to start a DDP with the University of Sheffield in 2012-13.

○ New Study Abroad Programs (SAPs)

Cooperating with the five on-campus centers of internationally renowned overseas institutions, we offer SAPs in Japanese language and culture, making use of Kyoto's historical and cultural assets for overseas students. We have been steadily increasing the number of programs. Furthermore, we have improved the summer sessions for students from all over the world.

■ Promoting University-Level Academic Exchange Agreements

Our faculty members frequently visit institutions overseas to establish partnerships in order to recruit promising international students to Japan and to send Japanese students abroad. We have steadily expanded our international network. To date, we have offered 21 short- and medium-term programs in seven languages in which more than 300 Japanese students participated.

■ Opening Overseas Offices

In addition to our six existing overseas offices in Malaysia, the USA, the UK (in London and in Cambridge), Taiwan and Vietnam, we opened offices in China (in Beijing and in Shanghai) and Korea in 2010-11. We are opening offices in Turkey in 2011-12.

■ Launching New Courses in English

We launched the Graduate School of Global Studies in April 2010, and the International Science and Technology Course at the Graduate School of Engineering and the Graduate School of Life and Medical Sciences in September 2010.



〈University-Level Agreements〉

87 univ. in 28 countries
As of April 2009



144 univ. in 34 countries
As of March 2011

〈Faculty-Level Agreements〉

43 inst. in 19 countries
As of April 2009



83 inst. in 26 countries
As of March 2011

〈Number of SAPs〉

1 in 2006-08



19 in March 2011



■ Enhanced Support for International Students

○ Support by Advisors and Tutors

In August 2009, we introduced the Lifestyle Advisor System to provide international students with advice and consultation on their studies, and the Tutor System for Study and Research Support offering graduate students one-on-one instruction on academic writing in Japanese.

○ Support for Obtaining Employment in Japan

The Career Center offers continuous support to international students from the time of their enrollment until they find a job by providing information on job hunting in Japan. Career Counselors at the Center offer dedicated advice and support.