

Monthly Report (February/March, 2014)

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This month's work themes	
(1) Review basic policy of international strategy	Specific action target Formulate basic policy on international strategy.
(2) Review operations of International Consortium for Universities of Education in East Asia and International Graduate School Program.	Specific action target Continue to create materials for the next financial year.
Implemented measures	
<p>Regarding theme(1) - [Activities of Office of Promoting International Strategies]</p> <p>The "Basic Policy of International Strategy" was created and the opinions of university staff were sought. Due to the opinions of administrative leaders, we decided to revise the "Basic Policy of International Strategy" to the "Basic Policy of International Collaboration".</p> <p>Regarding theme (2) - [Activities of the Operations Subcommittee of the International Consortium for Universities of Education in East Asia]</p> <p>Plans to run operations of the International Consortium for Universities of Education in East Asia by a monetary contributions system from 2015 onwards and plans to transfer these operations mainly to student exchange activities were considered.</p> <p>Discussions were held about the visiting group from the Beijing Normal University and the International Graduate School Program.</p>	
Results	
<p>Regarding theme (1)</p> <p>An affiliated schools coordinator was established. Opinions were exchanged with the coordinator and issues were shared to enhance support for the coordinator.</p> <p>We renewed the agreement with Jagiellonian University (Poland) and decided to start student exchange from 2014. We renewed exchange agreements with Hamburg University and Heidelberg University of Germany.</p> <p>The theme of "Japan and Thailand University Student Invitation Exchange Project - Food and Agriculture Education and School Tour" was proposed and selected as an international exchange project utilizing youth education facilities (Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, Sports and Youth Bureau) in 2014.</p> <p>The "Basic Policy of International Collaboration" was established to succeed the "Basic Policy of International Strategy". This is due to be publicly announced via our website.</p> <p>Regarding theme (2)</p> <p>The student report meeting and 2nd planning committee were held on 27th February for the "2013</p>	

International Consortium for Universities of Education in East Asia Member University Student Invitation Exchange Project” (subsidized project for “International exchange project utilizing youth education facilities”, Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, Sports and Youth Bureau). A report for the same theme was also completed and will be announced via the Consortium subcommittee website.

The second phase of the International Consortium for Universities of Education in East Asia project, which started in 2011, entered its final year this year. Through discussions between the Office of Promoting International Strategies and the Consortium subcommittee, the university decided to defer applications for special costs relating to this theme. The future direction of this theme, therefore, will be discussed under the new financial year regime.

Conclusion

This monthly bulletin has been produced over a period of three years. The teacher in charge has been transferred elsewhere, so this edition will be the final bulletin.

We would like to offer our heartfelt appreciation to all those who have provided support. Thank you very much.