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New Year Address from the President

Firstly, I'd like to wish everyone a very Happy New Year. We had nine consecutive days off this year, and I hope you enjoyed yourselves. Though like you I had some homework over the break, I was also able to relax at home.



I'd like to take a look back at the past year and the goals we achieved.

Our main objectives were to update internal regulations in accordance with the revision of the School Education Act and the Act of National University Corporations, as well as to partially introduce annual salary systems. To this end, we garnered the opinions and understanding of our faculty and staff, following which we successfully implemented our plans. Thank you all very much for this. In my position as president, I am committed to running the university in an optimal manner together with our entire faculty and staff—drawing on the governance of our university leadership and our speedy decision-making systems.

Next, regarding our educational research projects, our Medical Education Development Center has been named Japan's sole comprehensive medical education facility. This is an extremely important development considering the third-term initiatives that I will describe in a moment. Though some of our international applications were close to being accepted, they were ultimately turned down in the final stages. As also noted in the comments attached to the screening results, we are being asked to step up our development process building on our current application. To this end, our institution—and particularly our Faculty of Engineering and Faculty of Applied Biological Sciences—is working steadily to step up ties with overseas institutions, and doing so at an astonishing speed. In addition, all of our departments are taking steps to globalize, including: providing overseas special assistance education via our Faculty of Education; expanding on overseas clinical training and carrying out Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) trial runs as preparatory education via our School of Medicine; international educational course preparations by our Faculty of Regional Studies; and aggressive development of our International Student Center. I

hope these initiatives will continue to be boosted even further.

I now want to move on to this year's goals. I'd like to ask everyone to work together with a view to achieving results for our third plan as a national university, which will start next year.

Naturally, our biggest task for the coming year is to devise the third medium-term goals and plan. Also, major changes in rules governing administrative cost subsidy distribution to be implemented in the third plan have been announced. As we incorporate these changes, we are currently working a year ahead of the launch of the third plan, starting with FY2015 budget proposals. Our task right now is to proceed with future developments in mind.

We also need to determine and announce what particular functions the university will choose by the beginning of the third plan. This requires far greater decision-making than even a re-defining of our mission. According to a presentation made at the Council for Industrial Competitiveness on December 17th of last year by Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology Hakubun Shimomura, our institution can be considered a university that focuses on facilitating regional dynamism and supporting specified fields—a Center of Community (COC). More specifically, this means that our institution implements educational research on the national and global levels in particular sectors, with a solidifying focus on revitalizing local regions. To maintain our primary mission of regional revitalization, we need to do our part for regional communities in a way that can be visibly and transparently assessed. To rephrase, we need to compile our current performance record in this area into a format that is easy to understand and convey, and to devise proposals on how to make further strides.

Meanwhile, it is also imperative that we clearly define and indicate the sectors that we are pursuing on global and national levels, also based on our past and current performance. Specifically, we are considering biological science, environmental science, advanced materials/molding, and—as mentioned earlier—medical education, for which we already have an established institution. Keeping this in mind, I would like to ask everyone to please move ahead with our plans for both reorganization of our research centers and calls for educational research projects including global initiatives. Further, to foster new centers over the next few years, we need to implement basic research for additional sectors in order to render Gifu University into the cutting-edge institution

that it can be. Speaking in rather extreme terms from the standpoint of research support by our leadership, research themes at existing candidate centers—which already have great potential—are expected to be further developed by way of external funds. We are committed to offering the utmost support to the candidates in terms of budget, but please note that internal screening procedures will be strict.

As I've described earlier, it appears that we have busy days ahead, right from the beginning of this year. Now I believe it is our job to get down to business and move ahead with the initiatives we've established. As always, it is my hope that the coming year will be a great one for the future of our institution.

I'd like to conclude this simple New Year address here. Thank you all very much.

January 5th, 2015

Opening of the Respective Offices in Gifu University and Sebelas Maret University

Dr. Hisataka Moriwaki, President of Gifu University, Dr. Fumiaki Suzuki, Executive Director for International Affairs and Public Relations, Dr. Hiroyuki Koyama, Advisor to the President visited Sebelas Maret University, Republic of Indonesia on December 2nd, 2014. Sebelas Maret University is one of the Gifu University overseas sister universities.

The major objectives of Gifu University delegation's visit to Sebelas Maret University this time include conclusion of agreement to open Gifu University Office within the campus of Sebelas Maret University, and opinion exchange for the office operation and joint education programs between the two universities in the future. Prof. Dr. Ravik Karsidi, Rector of Sebelas Maret University, Prof. Dr. Sutarno, Vice Rector, Prof. Dr. Ahmad Yunus, Dean of Graduate School, Prof. Dr. Bambang Pujiasmanto, Dean of Faculty of Agriculture, Mr. Muhammad Taufiq Al Makmun, M.A., Head of International Office and other staff gave a warm welcome to Gifu University delegation and the meeting started.

Firstly, Prof. Dr. Ravik Karsidi, delivered a welcome address to the delegation members, and then Dr. Moriwaki made a presentation titled, "Current Status and Future Prospect of Gifu University".

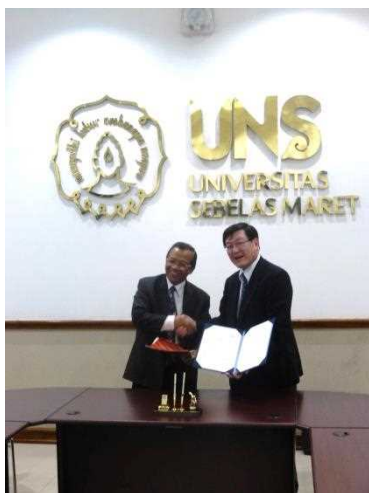
Next, the Signing Ceremony was held in a Rector's meeting room and both universities have officially approved the opening of Gifu University Office within Sebelas Maret University, and Sebelas Maret University Office in Gifu University. They also made an agreement for mutual office management and operations as well as purposes of their use. At the end of the ceremony, Prof. Dr. Ravik Karsidi presented Dr. Moriwaki with a Sebelas Maret University plaque and some Batik products, which are well-known as Indonesian traditional craftwork. In return, Dr. Moriwaki presented Wajima Lacquered photo frame with the Rector.

After this gift exchange, Gifu University delegation and the officials of Sebelas Maret University actively exchanged opinions over future collaboration of joint educational programs. During the meeting, Dr. Tonang Dwi Ardyanto, Faculty of Medicine expressed his intention to send Sebelas Maret University delegation to Gifu University next year in order to observe one of the most advanced medical Information Technology (IT) system, which is already in operation at Gifu University Hospital. Dr. Moriwaki accepted his request with pleasure. After the meeting, Gifu University delegation visited the Lab-Station (Environmental Science) of IC-GU12* within Sebelas Maret University, and was briefed by Dr. Komariah, lecturer who is responsible for

management and operation of the Lab-Station about the arrangement of research instrument carried from Gifu University and the specifics of joint research programs between the two universities. Later, the delegation was guided to Gifu University Office where the Office Opening Ceremony was held in the presence of everyone concerned. Dr. Moriwaki and other delegation members entered the office and gave their signatures to the guest book as the first visitors to the office.

It is hoped that the latest visit by Gifu University delegation to Sebelas Maret University will further enhance cooperation and collaboration in the fields of education and research between Sebelas Maret University and Gifu University in the years to come.

*IC-GU12: "International Consortium of Universities in South and Southeast Asia for the Doctoral Education in Agricultural Science and Biotechnology" which was created under the initiative of Gifu University. Sebelas Maret University is one of the members of the Consortium.



Signing Ceremony



IC-GU12 Lab-Station (Environmental Science)

“Clean Campus in Autumn, 2014” Takes Place

“Clean Campus in Autumn 2014” took place on Wednesday, December 3rd, 2014. Gifu University declared itself “Environmentally-Friendly University” in November, 2009 and has been striving to create an eco-friendly campus environment ever since. To endorse this declaration, Gifu University has designated the month of November as a month for environmental conservation and carries out a number of environment-related programs and activities every year. “Clean Campus in Autumn” is a part of these efforts and are undertaken every year. “Clean Campus in Autumn, 2014” however, was postponed till December due to prolonged bad weather. On December 3rd, a total of 762 teaching staff and students joined the “Clean Campus” activity. They picked up trash, swept and collected fallen leaves for about an hour. As Gifu University is blessed with rich greenery and full of trees, some people were busy with removing dead leaves which were clogging up the side ditches. There were students who were planting flowers at flowerbeds as part of their club activities. Administrative staff and the students from Gifu Pharmaceutical University also volunteered to take part in this activity as a part of Gifu Pharmaceutical University facilities is located within the compounds of Gifu University.

The “Clean Campus” activity includes a cleanup of Shin-Horikawa River which runs through the university campus. As many as 33 staff and the students gathered this time. After a greeting by Mr. Masaki Yokoyama, Executive Director for General Affairs and Finance, the participants began to sweep and pick up trash along the river bank.



Mr. Yokoyama speaks to the volunteers Students picks up trash

***Juni-Hitoe* (layered *kimono*) Wearing and Experience: Japanese Traditional Costume**

Gifu University International Student Center held a special lecture titled “*Juni-Hitoe* (layered *kimono*) Wearing and Experience: Japanese Traditional Costume” in a Japanese-style room, Yanagido Hall on Wednesday, December 3.

Roughly 30 people including Japanese Language & Culture Studies Course students (International Student Center), other international students, Japanese students, faculty and staff members attended.

It was the University’s first lecture based on the concept of International Student Center “Experience the Real,” and was held for Japanese Language & Culture Studies Course students who came to Japan in October as part of Japanese culture experience-based program.

After Associate Professor Tsuchiya of International Student Center introduced the lecturers, the participants learned basic knowledge of Japanese-style clothing and history of *Juni-Hitoe*. Then Ms. Le Thi Thuy Tram (Vietnam), a selected student for *Juni-Hitoe* wearing, walked into the room wearing *kosode* (short-sleeved kimono), *hakama* (divided skirt) and a coronet as well as makeup. Participating students carefully watched how lecturers were helping her wear *itsutsuginu* (five-layer undergarment), *uwagi* (outer garment), *karaginu* (a waist-length robe worn at the top) and *mo* (a long pleated skirt) in an orderly manner.

It is not often that this kind of experience-based program is held at the University. It became a great opportunity to experience the depth and beauty of Japanese traditional culture and it also contributed to enrichment of Japanese culture education, which is a measure for the program the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology conducts.



University Reform Symposium in 2014, entitled “Cultivation of Medical Personnel in Tandem with Local Community” opens

Gifu University held the University Reform Symposium in 2014 entitled “Cultivation of Medical Personnel in Tandem with Local Community” co-sponsored by the Japan Society for Medical Education (JSME) on Friday, December 5th, 2014.

This Symposium was made up of a keynote speech, presentations by eight speakers and a panel discussion. Approximately 110 people attended the Symposium. After an opening speech by President Hisataka Moriwaki of Gifu University, Dr. Nobutaro Ban, President of JSME, and Professor of the Graduate School of Medicine, Nagoya University delivered a keynote speech titled, “Global Trend for Development of Medical Human Resources through Partnership with Local Community.”

After the keynote speech, professors, physicians, students, families of patients, volunteer research participants, registrants of body donations spoke about their experiences, activities and their views on medical education.

In the next panel discussion, many questions were raised from the audience and active opinion exchanges followed between the panelists and the audience.

In this symposium, not only medical staff but also administrative staff, students and local residents were given a rare opportunity to contemplate the future medical personnel education.



The 43rd Gifu University Forum

Gifu University held the 43rd Gifu University Forum at the University Auditorium on Monday, December 8.

A few times a year, the University holds lectures by top researchers who have made great contributions to the development of each academic field. In this 43rd forum coordinated by Gifu University Gender Equality Promotion Office, Ms. Yumiko Ehara, Executive Board Member & Vice President of Tokyo Metropolitan University, delivered a lecture titled “Diversity Promotion in the Age of Globalization - based on Gender Equality” and a total of 85 people including students, faculty and staff members attended.

The forum started with an opening address by Gifu University President Moriwaki, and then Ms. Ehara gave a lecture. In her lecture, Ms. Ehara mentioned that diversity promotion at universities is now required as a consequence of the internationalization of world universities caused by globalization. She also spoke about the connection between gender equality and diversity promotion, and the meaning that gender equality is included in the measures for the University’s diversity promotion. Throughout the forum, attendees listened attentively to her lecture.

Gifu University will continue to make efforts to implement action plans under the basic policy of promotion of human resource development and diversity.



Delegation of Gifu University Visits to Local Companies

The delegation of Gifu University including President Moriwaki, Executive Directors, Vice President and Auditor visited local companies on Tuesday, December 9. The University delegation's visit started in 2007 and this is the eighth visit aimed at grasping the current situation and deepening understanding of local companies in order to contribute to the development of local industry. This time the University delegation visited two manufacturing companies, Gifu Auto Body Co., Ltd. and MEIRA Corporation, and at each site, the delegation members went on to a factory tour and exchanged opinions with the executive officers. These two leading companies in Gifu have a history of more than 50 years.

In the factory tour, the delegation members received an explanation from Gifu University graduates and other company staff with regard to the characteristics, improvement, originality and ingenuity of production lines. During a visit to Gifu Auto Body Co., Ltd., a welcome luncheon for the delegation was held at the newly-opened company cafeteria. This cafeteria is a place where all employees of each factory department can gather and was built based on the concept of Mr. Tetsuo Hoshino, Chairman of Gifu Auto Body Co., Ltd. At MEIRA Corporation, Mr. Makoto Ohashi, President of the company, spoke about quality guarantee under the tight restriction on approval for medical devices and aerospace products, the company's efforts toward securing profit and business difficulties. The delegation members learned sincere approaches of the company towards company management and development.

It became a good opportunity to consider one more time how the University can contribute to the region through Industry-Academia collaboration.



President Moriwaki, Executive Directors, Vice President and Auditor join a factory tour at Gifu Auto Body Co., Ltd.

Delegation from Thailand Visits Gifu University Faculty-Affiliated Farms

30 delegation members from Thailand consisting of officials who head the Bureau of Education and teaching staff of schools for special needs education visited Gifu University faculty-affiliated farms on Tuesday, December 9.

As part of efforts for educational welfare, both Yanagido and Minokamo Farms (Gifu Field Science Center, Faculty of Applied Biological Sciences) employ persons with intellectual disabilities or accept them as trainees. 5 people, which account for one-fourth of the total employees, are currently employed and engaged in agricultural work at the farm.

This time the delegates gave attention to approaches toward employment support made through cooperation with universities and special needs education in Japan and visited Gifu University faculty-affiliated farms.

Dr. Iketani, Dean of the Faculty of Education, and Prof. Oba of the Faculty of Applied Biological Sciences took the delegation on a farm tour and delegation members watched workers pruning in a vineyard and removing dirt on egg-shell surface.

They actively asked questions concerning employment conditions and works during the tour, and it turned to become quite a successful visit.



Delegation sees trainees deadheading blossoms



Farm workers remove dirt on egg-shell surface

Report from Students: “Truth” about Studying Abroad

Gifu University International Student Center held a report session at the General Education Building on Wednesday, December 10. This report session is held every year for students who wish to study abroad or have an interest in it, and the main objective of the session is to help students collect information on studying abroad. The University has already held the session more than 10 times before. Roughly 65 people including Japanese and international students, faculty and staff members attended.

During the session, Mr. Kento Takeda (4th year student of the Faculty of Education) who studied at Lund University in Sweden, Ms. Rika Kanetake (4th year student of the Faculty of Education) who studied at San Diego State University in U.S.A, Mr. Takuma Saeki (2nd year student of the Faculty of Engineering) who studied at the University of Technology, Sydney in Australia, Ms. Ori Nakamura (3rd year student of the School of Medicine) who studied at the University of Erfurt in Germany, delivered presentations using PowerPoint. In their presentations, they spoke about why they decided to study overseas, how they chose the country and local life such as environment, classes, student life and accommodation. Student speakers also gave advice to students who wish to study abroad.

Later, international students studying at Gifu University from October, Mr. Lucas Caleb Patrick from San Diego State University (U.S.A) and Mr. Park Won and Mr. Kim Yangseon from Mokpo National University (South Korea), introduced their universities (location, weather, department, the number of students, etc.), sightseeing spots and food in Japanese.

At the end of the session, three students participated in summer school program at Griffith University (Australia) and Seoul National University of Science and Technology (South Korea) spoke about their study-abroad experience and shared information about classes, homestay, host family and sightseeing.

As a message to students who wish to study abroad, all of student speakers said that they got to meet many nice people overseas because they had courage to take a step towards their dream.

In a social event held following the report session, the event participants had a chance to exchange opinions with students who have studied abroad. In a relaxed atmosphere, it became a great opportunity for participants to collect information about sister universities and come closer to the realization of their dream.

During the session, a study abroad handbook and leaflet containing exchange program information and other overseas activity reports were handed out to the participants.

Posters made by students who participated in summer school program were also displayed.



Report Session



Posters made by students who participated in summer school program

Eco-Friendly Campaign Poster Awards Ceremony

Gifu University solicited unique posters for “Eco-Friendly Campaign” from the pupils and the students of Gifu University Education Faculty-Affiliated Elementary and Junior High School to raise public awareness about environmental issues. There were a large number of entries and after strict screening processes, three gold, three silver, and ten bronze prizes were announced at the Awards Ceremony held at the Elementary and Junior High School on Tuesday, December 16th, 2014. This poster creation and awarding activity is a part of joint initiative between Gifu University and The Juroku Bank, Ltd. based on the “Memorandum of Understanding on Partnership for Environment Conservation between Gifu University and The Juroku Bank, Ltd.” Similar activities had already been undertaken three times in the past.

At the Awards Ceremony, Mr. Kawaguchi, Director of General Affairs Division and Mr. Hasegawa of General Affairs Group, The Juroku Bank, Ltd., President Hisataka Moriwaki, Mr. Masaki Yokoyama, Executive Director for General Affairs and Finance, Mr. Sugiura, Director of Facility and Environmental Affairs Department of Gifu University, Mr. Matsui, Vice Principal of the Elementary School, Mr. Mizutani, Vice Principal of Junior High School attended the ceremony. President Moriwaki handed out the award certificates to individual prize winners and Mr. Kawaguchi presented them with small gifts. President Moriwaki addressed to the winners, “Please continue to do your best for environmental protection at school, your house and your community.” Mr. Kawaguchi said, “Every one of these posters is truly impressive.” Lastly Mr. Matsui said, “It is expected that a whole school commits itself to raising students’ awareness for environment protection.”

Through these poster activities and various eco-friendly programs, Gifu University aims to enhance people’s consciousness about environmental issues including global warming and recycling, and also strives to deepen local residents’ understanding about environment in cooperation with The Juroku Bank, Ltd.



Group Photo with award winners



Division for Junior High School
 “What you can do today”



Division for Elementary School (Senior Students)
 “Our Dear Earth says, “I got a high fever.”



Division for Elementary School (Junior Students)
 “Switch off to save electricity”

Conclusion of Memorandum of Understanding and Memorandum of Agreement with Université Paris-Sud, France

Gifu University concluded the Memorandum of Understanding and the Memorandum of Agreement for Faculty and Student Exchange with Université Paris-Sud, France on December 16th, 2014.

Founded in 1970 as one of the 13 universities forming Université de Paris, Université Paris-Sud is the biggest university in France with extensive 270ha of campus ground and is located in Orsay, a suburban city of Paris. Université Paris-Sud is renowned for its world-class research activities and has produced two Nobel Prize laureates and four Fields Prize winning mathematicians to date.

Exchanges started between the Graduate School of Medicine and School of Medicine, Gifu University, and Paul Brousse Hospital, Université Paris-Sud in June 2011, and mutual exchanges among researchers and students have been actively accelerated ever since.

Université Paris-Sud is the first French university to conclude the university-level agreement with Gifu University and the number of Gifu University's overseas sister universities has reached 45.

The 6th press conference by Gifu University President

The 6th press conference by Gifu University President was held on Wednesday, December 17.

In association with "Future Visions from the 3rd Period Onward," Gifu University President Hisataka Moriwaki spoke about a partnership agreement between the Department of Commerce, Labor and Industry (Gifu Prefectural Government) and the Head Office for Industry-Government-Academia Collaboration (Organization for Research and Community Development, Gifu University) for attracting companies to the region and promoting their settlement.

Following the presentation by President, Vice President Wang provided gave a more detailed explanation of the partnership agreement. In Q&A session, many questions were asked by reporters, and it became an opportunity to actively introduce the news of Gifu University.

After the press conference, the Head Office for Industry-Government-Academia Collaboration (Organization for Research and Community Development, Gifu University) concluded a partnership agreement with the Department of Commerce, Labor and Industry (Gifu Prefectural Government).



President Moriwaki presenting an overview of "Future Visions from the 3rd Period Onward"



Vice President Wang gives an explanation of the partnership agreement

Announcements at the 6th press conference are as follows:

- **President Hisataka Moriwaki**
Overview of "Future Visions from the 3rd Period Onward"
- **Vice President Wang Zhigang (Director of the Head Office for Industry-Government-Academia Collaboration)**
Partnership agreement between the Department of Commerce, Labor and Industry (Gifu Prefectural Government) and the Head Office for

Industry-Government-Academia Collaboration (Organization for Research and Community Development, Gifu University) for attracting companies to the region and promoting their settlement

The 1st International Joint Meeting of Global Environment & Energy Course (GU-GLEE) is Convened

The Faculty of Engineering convened the 1st International Joint Meeting of Global Environment & Energy Course (GU-GLEE) for two days, on Wednesday, December 17th, and 18th, 2014.

Presidents, deans and contact persons of overseas partner universities with the Faculty of Engineering (a total of 46 participants from 23 universities in 13 countries) exchanged opinions and shared information about international exchange programs including educational systems and study abroad programs. This is the record scale international conference ever held at Gifu University to date.

The venue for the meeting on December 17th, was Gifu Miyako Hotel, Gifu City. President Hisataka Moriwaki and Dr. Keitetsu Rokugo, Dean of the Faculty of Engineering delivered opening speeches followed by Dr. Mamoru Koketsu, Vice Dean of the Faculty of Engineering who introduced Global Environment & Energy Course (GU-GLEE). GU-GLEE is going to start in April 2015. Next, participants from 23 overseas partner universities spoke about their respective universities' overviews, educational goals, curriculums and international exchange programs. In the subsequent general discussions, the participants agreed on a formation of global network among universities and held in-depth discussions about a number of study abroad programs.



Meeting at Gifu Miyako Hotel



Presentations

In the banquet after the meeting, Dr. Fumiaki Suzuki, Executive Director for International Affairs and Public Relations made an opening address. The participants became acquainted with one another and deepen their friendship. Japanese drum and flute performances by the students of Gifu Sogo Gakuen High School and Tsugarujamisen strings performance by Mr. Takahiro Shimizu of Graduate School of the Faculty of Engineering captivated the ears of the audience. President of Bogor

Agricultural University sang karaoke, “Kitaguni-no-haru (Spring has come to Northern Japan) in his fluent Japanese.



Group Photo at Gifu Miyako Hotel

On December 18th, the meeting venue was switched to the Faculty of Engineering, Gifu University and the representatives from overseas partner universities introduced their endeavors for globalization, unique study abroad systems, curriculums, scholarships and activities of international student centers. In the general discussions, the participants debated about the crucial elements for globalization. Later, lively exchanges took place with the students from Ogaki Kita Senior High School. Ogaki Kita Senior High School has been designated as “Super Global High School” by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT), Japan. In addition, a campus tour for research laboratories at the Faculty of Engineering offered to the participants.

In the closing ceremony, Dr. Rokugo handed out the joint communiqué papers to each representative in hope of further invigoration of exchanges in the future. The group photo session followed and the 1st International Joint Meeting of Global Environment & Energy Course (GU-GLEE) became a great success.



The Faculty of Engineering



Presentations



Participants with Joint Communiqué in hand (The Faculty of Engineering)

At the dinner party on December 18th, (at the CO-OP Second Dining Hall), after a greeting message from Dr. Shuichi Nonomura, Vice Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, active opinion exchanges and information sharing followed. Singing and ethnic dancing by the students from Indonesia drew a lot of attentions from the audience. It is hoped that continuation of this kind of international gathering will go a long way toward reinforcing relations with overseas partner universities, nurturing students who can take up challenges on the global stage, and contributing to improvements and revitalization of educational and research activities in the future.

Memorandum of Understanding between Gifu Prefecture Board of Education and the Faculty of Education is concluded for improvement of teachers' skills for special needs children

The Faculty of Education and Gifu Prefecture Board of Education concluded the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to improve teachers' skills for special needs children on Friday, December 19th, 2014.

The major objectives of the MOU are to examine the teaching methods being adopted by the teachers at special schools, and implement the best possible programs for the special needs children through sharing and utilizing each function of the two institutions. Under the MOU, both institutions strive to meet the needs of individual children and provide proper instructions and support for them.

In the signing ceremony, Professor Naotake Iketani, Dean of the Faculty of Education and Ms. Reiko Matsukawa, Superintendent of the Board of Education signed the MOU. Both expressed their resolutions to jointly accelerate mutual cooperation which includes planning and opening of in-school training programs for teachers at special schools and development of support systems catered to the different needs of children.



Degree Awarding

Degree	Diploma Number	Name	Date of Degree Awarded	Title of Doctoral Dissertation
Ph.D. in Medical Sciences	No. Ko-960	NISHIMURA, Hidenao	December 17, 2014	Protamine-containing insulin but not analog insulin and duration of insulin use are risk factors for the production of insulin autoantibodies in insulin-treated patients with diabetes mellitus
Ph.D. in Medical Sciences	No. Ko-961	YONEZAWA, Shingo	December 17, 2014	Bevacizumab treatment leads to observable morphological and metabolic changes in brain radiation necrosis
Ph.D. in Medical Sciences	No. Otsu-1478	Zhang Lianxi	December 17, 2014	Different effects of local anesthetics on extracellular signal-regulated kinase phosphorylation in rat dorsal horn neurons
Ph.D. in Engineering	No. Otsu-73	KITOH, Syunsuke	December 31, 2014	Combustion characteristics and control by hydrogen flame jet ignition

Foreign Researchers Accepted by Gifu University in December

Faculty	Name (Country)	University	Period	Research Title
Faculty of Applied Biological Sciences	Waleed Zakaria Hassan Metwaly Badawy	Assistant Lecturer, Kafr EL-Sheikh University	From Dec. 1, 2014 to Nov. 30, 2015	Studies on trans-fatty acids in food
Faculty of Applied Biological Sciences	<small>チャンレイフン</small> 張麗芬 ZHANG LIFEN (China)	—	From Dec. 1, 2014 to Nov. 30, 2015	A study on degradation control of konjac glucomannan gel during frozen storage