#### History

- 1994 Started as University Centre Kyoto / Credit Exchange System started
- 1997 Launch City College project (lifelong study project)
- 1998 Approved by the Ministry of Education and became an authorized judicial foundation,
- The Consortium of Universities in Kyoto initiated.
- Started to provide Internship Programs
- Completed Campus Plaza Kyoto 2000
- 2002 Started Staff Development program
- 2008 Kyoto Faculty Development program and E-Learning Program awarded 3 year grant by MEXT
- Kyoto Internationalization project awarded 3 year grant by MEXT 2009
- The Consortium of Universities in Kyoto is re-established as a Public Benefit Foundation Corporation 2010

#### **Organizational chart**



# Member Universities and Junior colleges

National Universities	Public Universities
Kyoto Institute of Technology Kyoto University Kyoto University of Education	Kyoto City University of Arts Kyoto Prefectural University Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine
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#### Private Universities

Bukkyo University	Kyoto Koka Women's University
Doshisha University	Kyoto Koka Women's University Juni
Doshisha Women's College of Liberal Arts	Kyoto Notre Dame University
Hanazono University	Kyoto Pharmaceutical University
Heian Jogakuin (St.Agnes') College	Kyoto Saga University of Arts
Heian Jogakuin (St.Agnes') University	Kyoto Saga Art College
Ikenobo Junior College	Kyoto Sangyo University
Kacho College	Kyoto Seibo College
Kyoto Kacho University	Kyoto Seika University
Kyoto Bunkyo Junior College	Kyoto Seizan College
Kyoto Bunkyo University	Kyoto Tachibana University
Kyoto College of Economics	Kyoto University of Art and Desig
Kyoto College of Medical Science	Kyoto University of Arts and Craf
Kyoto Gakuen University	Kyoto University of Foreign Studi
Kyoto Junior College of Foreign Languages	Kyoto Women's University
	Kyota Waman'a Juniar Callara

Kyoto Koka Women's University Junior College Kyoto Notre Dame University Kyoto Pharmaceutical University Kyoto Saga University of Arts Kyoto Saga Art College Kyoto Sangyo University Kyoto Seibo College Kyoto Seika University Kyoto Seizan College Kyoto Tachibana University Kyoto University of Art and Design Kyoto University of Arts and Crafts Kyoto University of Foreign Studies Kyoto Women's University Kyoto Women's Junior College

#### Osaka Medical College

Osaka Seikei University, Faculty of Art and Design Otani University Otani University Junior College Ritsumeikan University Ryukoku University Ryukoku University, Junior College Seian University of Art and Design Seibi University Seibi University Junior College Kyoto Seibo College Shuchiin University The Open University of Japan, Kyoto Learning Center

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# The Consortium of Universities in Kyoto

#### Mission

Our aim is to improve the levels of education and academic research conducted at member universities and junior colleges, while strengthening cooperation and collaboration between them. We strive to extend support for students, to enhance their growth; we also strive to expand international cooperation and exchange, so as to promote the internationalization of universities and colleges. In addition, we aim to develop higher education, mainly in Kyoto, and to foster human resources who can play leading roles in the international community, while encouraging cooperation with local communities, government and industry and promoting regional development and revitalization. To those ends, we will provide education, support for students and training; conduct research and studies; collect and dispatch information; and encourage social interaction to contribute to the development of higher education in Japan.

\* Excerpt from Article 3 of the Chapter 1: General Provisions of Incorporation of the Consortium Authorization for establishment: March 19, 1998

Transition to public interest incorporated foundation: July 1, 2010 Basic fund: 100 million yen Competent government agency: Cabinet Office





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# **Business Content**

# **General Affairs/Public Relations Division**

#### **1** Office for All Japan Universities Consortium

Office for All Japan Universities Consortium, for which we serve as secretariat, is an organization consisting of consortiums of universities in various areas in the country. With the aim of contributing to the development of higher education in Japan, providing support for the efforts of individual consortiums of universities and offering a platform for exchange their research results and other matters.



#### **2** Award/Scholarship for Working Students

Commend and offer a scholarship to students who serve as models for other students in terms of both character and academic work, who meet tuition and living expenses by part-time work and scholarships, with little money from their families, or who make remarkable contributions via social activities in Kyoto.

#### **3** Kyoto International Students Housing Support Organization

This is a system by which member universities of the Kyoto International Students Housing Support Organization provide support to international students in cooperation with entities that approve of the aim of this system. Supporting international students in securing residence in Kyoto without joint and several guarantors.

# **Education Division**

#### Credit Exchange System

This system enables students to take courses that are offered at other universities. To make students inquisitive and more aware of a wide range of knowledge, a variety of subjects are provided so that students can take courses in individual fields such as humanities, society and nature, according to their interest.

### **2** Lifelong Learning Project

Since 1997, in cooperation with Kyoto City, this project has been responding to the needs of working people who continue to study. Under the project, people can take various informal programs as well as regular courses offered by universities and junior colleges.

#### 3 Internship Project

One of the pioneers in developing this kind project in 1998, not aimed to help students find jobs, this is an educational program aiming at fostering student motivation for learning by integrating real experience and educational research, promoting their vocational consciousness and developing independent and ingenious human resources.

# **High School-University Collaboration Division**

#### 1 Manabi Forum - Collabarative Open Campus

High school/university collaborative educational program introduces manabi (learning) at universities in Kyoto to high school students, their guardians and high school teachers, through simulated lectures and hands-on courses that offered by member universities and colleges. The forum helps participating students find academic fields that arouse their interest, improve their motivation for learning and clarify their objectives in the higher education, thereby giving them the best opportunity to consider their future career design





#### **2** Kyoto One Campus - Joint information Session

Public relations activities in collaboration with universities and junior colleges in Kyoto, having a joint info session and introduce Kyoto-home to universities and students-to high school students, their guardians and high school teachers across the country.

#### B Practical Research Collaborative Education Program

The objective of this program is to jointly develop regular course programs so as to achieve the learning goal established at high schools, based on collaboration between high school teachers and university faculty members, and to implement the programs throughout the year.

#### 4) Outreach Program "Kyoto Katariba (place for sharing)"

Initiated the program in 2012, with the aim of enhancing the learning motivation of high school students through educational intervention and often informal setting.

#### 5 High School/University Collaborative Education Forum

In collaboration and connection with high schools and universities, Conducting the forum in order to share information on domestic trends, and contributing information on efforts in educational issues.



# Higher Education Research Division

#### **1** Faculty Development

Faculty Development became mandatory for all universities since 2008, is a collection of organizational efforts to make academies to improve their course content and teaching method. Since 1995, shortly after the establishment, several support activities, such as training and forums have been provided to member universities.

# 2 Staff Development

Targeting administration staff and technical support staff at universities and colleges, Conducting joint training programs and forums to enhance staff qualifications, including management and administration skills, as well as education and research support capacities.

#### **3** Kyoto Intercollegiate Conference for Policy Studies

Providing policy studie students opportunities to make presentations and exchange research results between other students as well as academics, with the aim of disseminating, on reflecting their research results in actual policies.

#### 4 Research Fund for Policy Studies

Offering subsidies to young researchers in the urban policy field, also providing guidance from Kyoto Intercollegiate Comittee members for researcher development.

## **(5)** Gakumachi (Student-Community) Collaboration Project

Nominate projects in which universities and local communities make concerted efforts to create attractive local communities and resolve community issues; grants are offered to awarded projects.



#### 6 Think Tank Project (Kyoto Future Creation Project)

Kvoto City

#### 7 Internationalization Project

Through agreements with the consortium in the Fenway area of Boston, the U.S., and the university cooperation body in the State of Victoria, Australia, promoting the project with the aim of creating an environment that ensures access by all university students and faculty members to international interaction. In doing so, seeking to increase the international competitiveness of higher education and to assure and improve the quality of education in Kvoto

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# **Student Activity Division**

#### **1** Kyoto Intercollegiate Festa

By integrating the power of students in Kyoto, transcending the university framework, and introducing Kyoto-home to students-to society based on collaboration with government, business, universities and local communities, aiming to revitalize Kyoto and create its new attractiveness. In addition to the main festival held at Heian Shrine and Okazaki Park in October, conduct ongoing activities, such as local exchange activities.

#### **(2)** Kyoto International Student Film & Video Festival

Japan's largest international student film festival, this is planned and organized predominantly by students. Aiming to create opportunities for international exchanges and mutual understanding, and to activate Kyoto by discovering abilities, which can add a new area to the film, from various international film works full of many possibilities, and introducing

these abilities through the works.

# **3** Arts Bar-Kyoto Student Arts Project

There are 12 art universities in Kyoto, where many exhibitions are held, including graduate exhibitions, grade promotion exhibitions and students' personal exhibitions. By providing information on exhibitions and holding art-related events, we create an opportunity for local residents to view works of students and become interested in art and culture.





Aim to return knowledge gained through research at universities to local communities and society by reflecting university researchers' creative and academic research results in policies and projects of





