

The staff and faculty members of Kyushu University are united in their endeavors to provide education that meets the university's goal of "producing personnel who can play an active role as leaders in a variety of fields around the world". Society faces a multitude of diverse challenges, and in order to respond to its expectations and needs regarding university education, while cultivating personnel who can play an active role as true leaders in the international community, the university must provide increasingly wide-ranging, high-quality education in a systematic manner. As such, the university decided to carry out a restructuring process to create an integrated educational system with seamless transitions from the first year of education to specialist education and from specialist education to graduate school education. To this end, it established the Faculty of Arts and Science in October 2011.

The goal of KIKAN Education, which was launched in the 2014 academic year, is to create opportunities for learning that provide students who have only just entered the university with a variety of options before they embark on their specialist education, thereby cultivating wide-ranging knowledge and broad horizons, while at the same time fostering the basic attitudes required to "learn how to learn" and "learn how to think" as active learners who will continue to learn autonomously throughout their lives.

The Faculty of Arts and Science is the organization tasked with delivering KIKAN Education. In such areas as aligning its curriculum, the Faculty of Arts and Science will form organic partnerships with schools and graduate schools, playing a managerial role in enhancing basic learning. Moreover, unlike the former School of Liberal Arts, the Faculty of Arts and Science will be managed with the participation of faculty members from throughout Kyushu University (a university-wide mobilization system). Accordingly, students will be able to come into contact with numerous faculty members with wide-ranging knowledge, diverse experience, and unique ideas from an early stage in their university education.

KIKAN Education consists of a learning program that helps first-year students acquire basic learning techniques and foundational knowledge, a program (higher-year KIKAN education courses) that strengthens students' abilities in their major fields while they continue their specialized research from the second year onward, and the 'Graduate School KIKAN Education' that further enhances the skills developed during undergraduate education.

Kyushu University Education Charter (formulated in 2000)

- Producing personnel who can play an active role as leaders around the world.
- Staff and faculty members throughout the university unite to provide education with an emphasis on humanity, social responsibility, global citizenship, and advancement of knowledge.

[The challenge of educational reform]

In order to cultivate personnel who **can play an active role as true leaders** in an increasingly globalized international community, it is essential to carry out restructuring, to create an educational system that provides systematic, wide-ranging, high-quality education and **seamlessly integrates** the transitions from general education to departmental education, and from departmental education to graduate school education

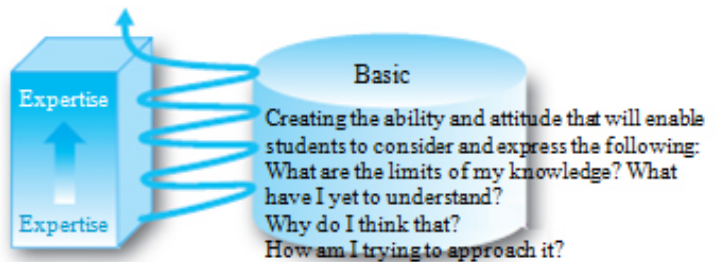
From the 2010 academic year

2nd mid-term plan

Systems throughout the university will be upgraded and enhanced in order to provide bachelor's degree programs in which liberal arts education with both breadth and depth is seamlessly integrated with departmental education.

Development of basic learning

Fostering the basic attitudes required to "learn how to learn" and "learn how to think" as **active learners** who will continue to learn autonomously throughout their lives



Want to know more

- The Faculty of Arts and Science website <https://www.artsci.kyushu-u.ac.jp/english/>

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