

# Student Support Programs

## Comprehensive Assistance for Student Support Programs at Universities

In a rapidly changing social and economic climate, there is a need for universities to provide well-designed education and guidance for a diversifying body of students. JASSO offers comprehensive assistance to a wide-range of support activities that universities conduct for their students.



### Training Programs

Systematic training programs have been developed in order to enhance the skills of university faculty and staff who are responsible for student guidance.

#### 1 Student Counseling

##### Annual Meeting of Japan University Health Association

This meeting aims to further improve and develop health care management at universities, etc., to help students lead fruitful lives and be of sound mind and body by presenting and discussing survey results and research.

##### Joint Forum on Student Support

This forum intends to further improve the mental health care and student counseling functions at universities, etc.



▲FY2008 Joint Forum on Student Support

##### The Conventions on Mental Health Support (held in seven districts)

Conventions are held to provide opportunity to study about students mental health support.

##### Workshop for Student Counseling Intaker

This workshop is designed for university faculty and staff who have been recently appointed to student counseling and is aimed at improving the quality of student counseling.



▲FY2008 Workshop for Student Counseling Intaker

#### 2 Job Finding and Career Support

##### Workshop for Job Finding and Career Support

In order to develop comprehensive and practical career support activities at universities, training courses are conducted to train employment bureau staff and career guidance staff at universities so that they can acquire required skills and qualities to provide adequate guidance on careers to students.



▲FY2008 Workshops for Career Guidance Staff

### 3 International Student Support

#### Convention on Research on International Student Exchange

This convention provides the opportunity for discussion on issues related to international students exchange.

#### Workshop for Staff Responsible for International Students

This workshop provides the opportunity to study various issues that come with international students exchange.



▲FY2008 Workshop for Staff Responsible for International Students

### 4 Support for Students with Disabilities and on Other Urgent Issues

#### Training Seminar for Staff Who Support Students with Disabilities

This seminar is aimed at educating and training educational institution staff who support students with disabilities so that they can learn necessary skills and knowledge to improve their performance and enhance support systems for students with disabilities.

#### Workshops on Preventing Student Drug Abuse for University Faculty and Staff

During the workshop, lectures on various issues related with drug abuse are given so that participants can obtain basic knowledge to prevent students from drug abuse.

#### National Workshop on Student Guidance

This workshop is conducted for university faculty and staff to study measures to develop and improve the quality of student guidance.



▲FY2008 National Workshop on Student Guidance

#### Regional Workshops on Student Guidance (held in seven districts)

Workshops are designed for university staff and are aimed at raising the quality of personnel responsible for student guidance.

#### Schedule of Training Workshop in Fiscal 2009

Name of the seminar	Location and Period	Capacity
<b>1 Student Counseling</b>		
Annual Meeting of Japan University Health Association	September 16-17 Sapporo Convention Center (Sapporo City)	About 1000 faculty members of national, municipal and private universities and colleges across the country
Joint Forum on Student Support	January 19-22, 2010 Tokyo International Exchange Center, Plaza HEISEI	About 420 faculty members of national, municipal and private universities and colleges across the country
The Conventions on Mental Health Support	Hokkaido Tohoku District	October 29-30 Metropolitan Morioka New Wing (Morioka City)
	Kitakanto Koushinetu District	September 28-29 Bellclassic KOFU (Kofu City)
	Tokyo District	October 8-9 Tokyo International Exchange Center, Plaza HEISEI
	Tokai Hokuriku District	September 10-11 Rubura Ohzan (Nagoya City)
	Kinki District	October 13-14 KKR Hotel Osaka (Osaka City)
	Chugoku Shikoku District	October 29-30 Matsue TERRSA (Matsue City)
	Kyushu District	October 20-21 Nagasaki Brick Hall (Nagasaki City)
Workshop for Student Counseling Intaker	December 18 Tokyo International Exchange Center, Plaza HEISEI	About 300 faculty members of national, municipal and private universities and colleges across the country
<b>2 Job Finding and Career Support</b>		
Workshop for Job Finding and Career Support	September 2-4 Tokyo International Exchange Center, Plaza HEISEI	About 120 faculty members of national, municipal and private universities and colleges across the country
<b>3 International Student Support</b>		
Convention on Research on International Student Exchange	July 9-10 National Olympics Memorial Youth Center	About 450 faculty members of national, municipal and private universities and colleges across the country
Workshop for Staff Responsible for International Students	October 14-16 National Olympics Memorial Youth Center	About 300 faculty members of national, municipal and private universities and colleges across the country
<b>4 Support for Students with Disabilities and on Other Urgent Issues</b>		
Training Seminar for Staff Who Support Students with Disabilities	December 9-11 National Olympics Memorial Youth Center	About 200 staff members of national, municipal and private universities and colleges across the country
Workshops on Preventing Student Drug Abuse for University Faculty and Staff	Hokkaido region	June 26 KKR Hotel Sapporo (Sapporo City)
	Tohoku region	May 13 Palace HEIAN (Sendai City)
	Kanto Koshinetsu region	June 18 National Olympics Memorial Youth Center
	Tokai Hokuriku region	June 2 Nagoya Garden Palace (Nagoya City)
	Kinki region	June 9 Osaka Asahi Seimei Hall (Osaka City)
	Chugoku Shikoku region	June 30 Hiroshima Garden Palace (Hiroshima City)
Kyushu region	May 20 KKR Hotel Hakata (Fukuoka City)	
National Workshop on Student Guidance	November 19-20 National Olympics Memorial Youth Center	About 300 faculty members at national, municipal and private universities and colleges
Regional Workshops on Student Guidance	Hokkaido region	August 26-28 Sapporo Sun Plaza (Sapporo City)
	Tohoku region	August 19-21 Palace HEIAN (Sendai City)
	Tokyo and Kanto Koshinetsu region	August 26-28 Bunka Women's University (Tokyo)
	Tokai Hokuriku region	July 15-17 Aichi Prefectural Labor Hall (TSURUJIMAU Plaza) (Nagoya City)
	Kinki region	August 26-28 Kobe Gakuin University (Kobe City)
	Chugoku Shikoku region	August 24-26 Tokyo Daiichi Hotel Matsuyama (Matsuyama City)
	Kyushu region	August 26-28 Fukuoka Recent Hotel (Fukuoka City)

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## Gathering and Providing Information on Student Support

JASSO collects and analyzes examples of activities that are beneficial for student support and also provides information concerning many aspects of student support, in order to contribute to the activities that each university conducts in support of students. Information is gathered and provided effectively and efficiently through various training programs.

### » Student Support Information Database

The "Student Support Information Database" (<http://www.g-shiendb.jasso.g.jp/>) provides the following information: Information on student support programs offered by various universities, investigation statistics, white paper, reports, and thesis, etc. concerning student support.

As a result, universities are able to do a self-check and self-evaluation of their student support programs to develop their student support staff, and to further develop their student support programs.

**The database enables you to have "free" access to the following items on the JASSO website.**

- ① Student support information
- ② Student support programs
- ③ Support programs for the staff at universities
- ④ Investigation on student support
- ⑤ White paper and reports related to student support
- ⑥ Publications from JASSO
- ⑦ Information on speakers and writers

The latest information on student support is available on our website.

### » Issuing Publications

JASSO issues publications as a means of introducing various information and case examples in order to contribute to the activities that each university conducts in support of students.



#### Daigaku to Gakusei (University and Student)

This is a monthly magazine that aims to promote a wider and deeper understanding of university educators on matters related to student support.

#### A GUIDE TO EMPLOYMENT FOR FOREIGN STUDENTS

This is an annual publication that offers basic knowledge on job hunting and specific examples of job hunting methods to international students who wish to find employment with Japanese companies after completing their studies in Japan.

### » Sponsoring Nationwide Career Guidance Meetings

In conjunction with MEXT and its Council on Employment Issues, JASSO jointly sponsors the "Nationwide Career Guidance Meeting" with the aim of improving career guidance and ensuring equal employment opportunities. At this meeting, universities and companies exchange information on careers and employment for those scheduled to graduate from universities, etc.



▲FY2008 2nd Sponsoring Nationwide Career Guidance Meeting

### » Meeting on Career Guidance for International Students

The aim of this program is not only for international students who wish to work at a Japanese company to be provided with valuable information about job-hunting activities of international students or types of work open to international students but also for universities and companies to exchange information so that job opportunities of international students are secured and career conference services are enhanced.

### » Support for Regions

Regional activities should be focused more on student support activities such as support for students with disabilities and career conference for international students, regional offices, in cooperation with regional bodies including universities, will therefore endeavor to implement these activities.

## Operations relating to Screening of the Promotion Program for University Education and Student Support (Student Support Promotion Program)

Starting in fiscal 2009, in order to provide support to the comprehensive support measures such as an effort to secure quality of undergraduate education or to enhance job-hunting support, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology will implement the Promotion Program activities for university education and student support, among which the Japan Student Services Organization is in charge of screening the Promotion Program for student support

## Support for Students with Disabilities

JASSO provides information on how to assist students with disabilities, and carries out research on how to provide a suitable educational environment for them and on how to improve it.

### » Support Network for Students with Disabilities

The "Network of Academic Support for Students with Disabilities" is designed to set up systems for supporting students with disabilities by forming a network of universities centered on those with advanced programs. Currently, the following nine schools serve as core universities: Miyagi University of Education, Tsukuba University, University of Toyama, Nihon Fukushi University, Kwansai Gakuin University, Doshisha University, Hiroshima University, Fukuoka University of Education and Sapporo Gakuin University. To support this work, two institutions, namely National Institute of Special Needs Education and Tsukuba University of Technology, are participating in the work as "collaborative institutes." They provide counseling services to those in charge of assisting students with disabilities at universities across the country.

### » Various Research Activities

Annually, the Japan Student Services Organization conducts "Research on the actual situation of support provided for students with disabilities at universities, junior colleges, and colleges of technology" to find the fact about support for students with disabilities, while working with study groups involving specialists, another organization to implement joint research activities and carrying out a consigned program at the same time, so that JASSO could contribute to solving problems related with support for those with disabilities and promotion of necessary measures.

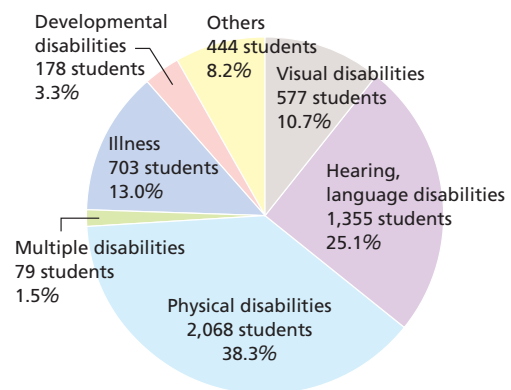
### » Information Supply

The information collected from the activities so far is published and distributed to schools and universities across Japan or disseminated through workshops and Workshop as much as possible. Moreover, the above mentioned information is also available at the web site of JASSO on the internet along with the

latest information about universities and other organizations working on their support programs for those who are with disabilities to provide. This is how the organization make various information available for teachers and staff.

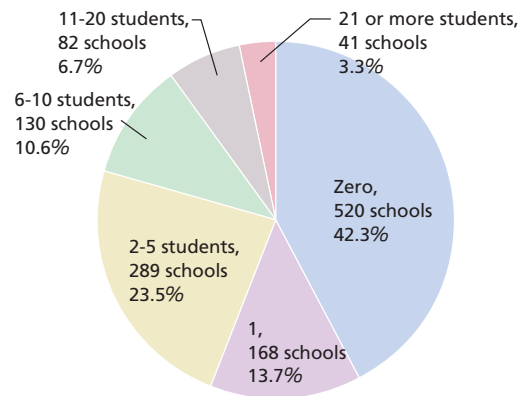
### » Students with Disabilities at Universities, Junior Colleges, and Colleges of Technology (as of May 1, 2007, research conducted by JASSO)

#### ■ Number of students with disabilities by type



Total number of students: 3,235,641  
 Number of students with disabilities: 5,404  
 Percentage of students with disabilities: 0.17%

#### ■ Number of schools with students with disabilities



## Image of "Network of Academic Support for Students with Disabilities"

