

Division of International Education and Exchange Graduate School of Economics and Management, Tohoku University

Activity Name	Comprehensive Career Training Assistance for International Students			
Date	July 2009 - February 2010			
Location	Sendai Excel Hotel Tokyo, 3rd-floor Ballroom			
Participants	International Students	Residents, Corporations	Other	Total
	172	49	30	202

< Activity Details >

As a national university corporation, we have made pioneering efforts to help international students find work. This academic year we have further expanded our efforts, holding 14 job-hunting assistance lectures, 5 workshops (industry and business analysis, self-analysis, individual and group interviews, mock interviews and group discussions) and provided one-on-one consultation (job consultations, ES grading and mock interviews). Additionally, we held the 2010 Job Fair for International Students organized by Tohoku University. This job fair is Japan's largest for company information sessions targeted solely at international students. Despite the unprecedented recession, we received the participation and cooperation of 49 companies from across the country.



Self-analysis workshop



Student committee meeting

This fair was planned and managed under the supervision of the student executive committee composed of students who have received tentative job offers and was held with the cooperation of personnel training companies from the private-sector. While the fair was praised for creating an opportunity for participating companies to get plenty of communication with international students with their questionnaires and for students to learn more about the companies, it was pointed out that international students were insufficiently prepared for job-hunting and that not enough people participated. We would like to make specialized career training and job-hunting assistance for international students a task for the future.

Cooperation between industry, academia and government will be indispensable to further develop employment assistance for international students that has until now been executed independently by universities, private-sector companies and public

Now, with the assistance of the Nakajima Foundation, Tohoku University's improvements to the cooperative framework with unaffiliated companies and institutions while developing comprehensive employment assistance according to the various needs of international students may itself become a model of that industry-academia-government cooperation.



Group discussion



Company presentation



Networking event



Industry analysis workshop

### < Comments from Participants >

There were no one-on-one interviews, so there is nothing to enter in this field.