

## **Decision of Institutional Certified Evaluation and Accreditation**

Mie University complies with the Standards for the Establishment of Universities and other relevant laws and regulations, and meets the Standards for Evaluation and Accreditation of Universities set by NIAD-UE.

Good practices identified by the review committee include:

- Putting into good use the training vessel “SEISUI MARU” on joint field trips with other educational institutions, the vessel having been designated in June 2010 as Educational Facilities for Collective Use by MEXT;
- The establishment of the Graduate School of Regional Innovation Studies in April 2009 to meet the university’s new goal of developing human resources which will promote regional innovation, fostering work-ready, highly skilled R&D specialists and researchers with strong project management capabilities demanded by regional industries;
- Continuing to implement the project funded under MEXT’s FY2008 Special Coordination Funds for Promoting Science and Technology “Supporting activities for female researchers”, after government support ended and earning Mie Prefecture’s “Good Practice” Prize and Gender Equity Industry (University) recognition in FY2013;
- Conducting teacher performance evaluations in areas ranging from teaching, research, and social contributions to administrative management and medical practice, with the results reflected in wages and other working conditions;
- Driving classroom improvement through initiatives such as Mie University Education GP, which aim to enliven education by identifying and supporting distinctive teaching practices, and the Problem-Based Learning (PBL) Education Support Program implemented by the Higher Education Development Center (HEDC) ;
- The Graduate School of Engineering launching the International Education Program in response to demands from students, industries, and society for a program that meets the challenges of globalization, which sends students abroad every year and aims to foster world-class industry-leading specialists;
- The Graduate School of Bioresources having concluded double degree program agreements with two universities in Indonesia, which aim to equip students with expertise and skills needed to improve food production and management/planning in Asian countries in the future;
- Global Health Program in Medical Education, MIE University Brand on Promoting the

Environmental Human Resources Support Program, and Education Models Centering on Collaboration with Local Schools and Kindergartens, which, selected for MEXT support programs such as Support for University Education Reform throughout National, Public, and Private Universities, have continued after government funding ended as well as the following programs, among others, being implemented with support from MEXT: Strengthening the Education Reform Capabilities through Collaboration with Chubu Region Communities and Industries and Disseminating Mie Region's Comprehensive Medical Services Network throughout Japan and the World;

- Conducting an annual learning achievement assessment on the four key abilities (the abilities to empathize, think, communicate and live) which form the university's educational goals;
- The Learning Commons located in the Mie Environmental & Informational Platform (MEIPL), standing adjacent to the University Library, which houses various facilities such as a group study area, a PC station, a group study room, and lounge areas, and is utilized for self-study and small-group classes;
- Passing in September 2012 the surveillance audit for ISO14001 certification renewal on the university's environmental management system; and
- Actively disseminating information about the university's education and research activities through a monthly television broadcast.

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