

### **Decision of Institutional Thematic Assessment**

The attainment level of the goals of the National Institute of Technology, Okinawa College is good in the area of Institutional Thematic Assessment A, Research Activities.

Good practices in Institutional Thematic Assessment A identified by the review committee include:

- Utilizing the Center for Regional Collaboration to promote joint and commissioned studies and technical consulting with local industries and governments, while striving to acquire external funds, including Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research, with these efforts leading to the top position in the total amount of acquired external funds among all national colleges of technology.

The attainment level of the goals of the National Institute of Technology, Okinawa College is good in the area of Institutional Thematic Assessment B, Educational Services offered to Those Other Than Full-time Students.

Good practices in the area of Institutional Thematic Assessment B identified by the review committee include:

- Contributing to local communities by promoting personnel training, scientific development, technological innovations, and industrial revitalization, in addition to supporting lifetime education, local cultural exchanges, and solutions to local issues through the Center for Regional Collaboration, which plays a central role in (1) offering technical support for businesses, (2) providing technical education and training for engineers at companies and organizations, (3) establishing lifetime education courses, including workshops, seminars and open lectures, and introducing open school programs for adults, and (4) regularly conducting school visits to elementary, junior high and high schools, and helping develop teaching materials, with all of these activities successfully raising the number of consulting requests and the levels of the participants' motivation and satisfaction.

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