

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

The National Institute of Technology, Wakayama College complies with the Standards for the Establishment of Colleges of Technology and other relevant laws and regulations, and meets the Standards for Evaluation and Accreditation of Colleges of Technology set by NIAD-QE.

It fulfills all requirements defined as the Priority Evaluation Items in Viewpoint 1-1.

Good practices identified by the review committee include:

- An extremely high employment rate (the number of students employed divided by the number of students seeking employment after graduation) for both the associate and diploma courses, with students employed in the manufacturing industry, academic research institutes, specialized engineering services companies, transportation industry, and other employment befitting of the engineers the college hopes to produce; and an extremely high rate of students advancing to higher education (the number of students advancing to higher education divided by the number of students wishing to advance to higher education), with students advancing to the diploma courses at colleges of technology or schools of engineering faculties, graduate schools of science, engineering, and environmental studies, and other schools and graduate schools at universities related to the students' associate and diploma courses.

Areas for improvement identified by the review committee include:

- Lack of clarity as to how the results of the college's surveys of school members and outside affiliates are reflected in the self-assessment; and
- Insufficient improvement made in one of the areas for improvement pointed out by the review committee in the previous Institutional Certified Evaluation and Accreditation that some elements of the associate course curriculum systematically organized in light of the college's educational goals are difficult for students to understand.

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