

# Kyoto University's Designated National University Vision



## Mission Statement

"Kyoto University states its mission to sustain and develop its historical commitment to academic freedom and to pursue **harmonious coexistence within the human and ecological community on this planet.**"

## Initiatives for creating new knowledge, building a foundation of innovation, and pioneering new ways of contributing to society

### Flexible and dynamic organization for creating knowledge

- Lead the world in multiple cutting-edge fields
- Pioneer new interdisciplinary research fields, and implement international initiatives in areas of strength

#### 1. Undertake world-leading, cutting-edge research

##### 1) Regenerative medicine and advanced medical research

- Contribute to future medical care and research into aging societies

##### 2) Integrate chemistry and the life sciences

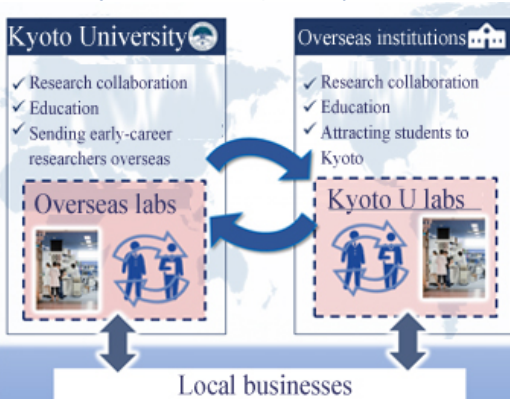
- Pioneer new research fields across diverse disciplines

##### 3) Kyoto University Institute for Advanced Study (KUIAS)

- An international hub for top-tier researchers

#### 2. On-site Laboratory

- Overseas joint laboratories operated by local institutions



### Cycle of capable and diverse minds

- Thoroughly internationalize education
- Attract and foster diverse and capable students, staff, and faculty

#### For students

##### 1. International Undergraduate Program

- Open to both Japanese and non-Japanese students

##### 2. Taku-etsu Graduate School (proposed), producing PhD-level knowledge professionals

##### 3. Graduate Student Training Center (proposed)

- University-wide research- and teaching-skills training for graduate students

##### 4. International Student Recruiting Office (proposed)

- Strategic recruitment of talented students

##### 5. Other initiatives targeting graduate and international students

#### For researchers

##### 1. Hakubi Project

- Attracting accomplished, early-career researchers from across all disciplines and the world

##### 2. Increase numbers of early-career faculty

- To 30% of all faculty by the end of the fourth mid-term plan period

### Cycle of capable and diverse minds

- Concrete steps for facilitating multi-sector collaboration
- Apply research output toward global problem-solving

#### Multi-sector collaboration

##### 1. Establish a "KU model" of collaboration

- Found and run subsidiaries with specific functions
  - 1) Think-tank functions (consulting, advocacy, etc)
  - 2) Technology transfer functions
  - 3) Start-up support functions
- Explore the establishment of a holding company

##### 2. Pioneer new forms of multi-sector collaboration

- Accelerating organization-to-organization collaborative research

#### Contributions to society

##### 1. Japan-ASEAN partnership

- Comprehensive cooperation in research, science, and technology to support sustainable development

##### 2. Humanities and social sciences of the future

- Integrate and internationalize existing disciplines to open new fields of inquiry

### World-class university management

- University-wide strategies developed through coordination of top-management policies and employee proposals
- Secure income sources supporting strategic initiatives

#### Stronger governance

##### 1. KU-tailored provost position and planning and coordination council 2. Evidence-based administration with an international perspective (led by the International Strategy Office, Institutional Research Office, and KU Research Administration Office)

- Planning and strategy through close coordination among administration and academic and research departments

#### Stronger financial foundation

##### 1. Enhanced revenue sources 1) Gifts and donations 2) Adult education programs 3) Strategic asset management 2. For-profit ventures