# **Monthly Report (January 2012)**

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#### Themes of the Month

- (1) Prepare for the International Research
  Conference for International Collaborative
  Research Project on Comparative Study on
  Current Conditions and Perspective of Program
  Designs and Quality Assurance System for
  University-based Teacher Education in East Asia.
- Specific Mission of Action:
- Confirm the conference-day proceedings and operations with the members of the ICUE Operation Project Team.
- (2) Promote efforts to further develop international exchange programs at the university.

## Specific Mission of Action:

 Share the five proposals for international exchange programs with the members of the Office of Promoting International Strategies and discuss new international strategies.

#### **Details**

## For Theme (1):

Matter of Discussion for the International Consortium for Universities of Education in East Asia Operation Project Team:

The international conference is to be held on February 14, 2012 at Garden City Shinagawa, Tokyo. Conference-day proceedings and operations were considered.

## For Theme (2):

The five proposals for international exchange were considered in detail, and materials were prepared for the meeting with the members of the Office of Promoting International Strategies. The five proposals are:

- (a) "Global Network and Research Hub for Immigrant and Multicultural Education"
- (b) "Project to Promote Japan-US Exchange Related to Teaching Practices" (proposals [a] and [b] were both submitted by Associate Professor Miya SUGA)
- (c) "Tokyo Gakugei University's Participation in the Japan-US Teacher Education Consortium (JUSTEC) as a University" (proposal submitted by Professor Hideki SANO)
- (d) "Raising Worldwide Awareness of River Environments: How Educators Can Take up This Challenge" (proposal submitted by Associate Professor Shigeki MAYAMA)
- (e) "Exchange Program with Ball State University" (proposal submitted by Associate Professor Kazutaka SHIMIZU)

### Results

# For Theme (1):

The international conference will be held with the participation of 26 academics from 11 Chinese, Taiwanese, Korean, and Japanese universities. There will also be a poster session coordinated by 10 graduate students. The first draft of the booklet to be distributed on the day of the conference was completed. Conference guides (nos. 3 and 4) were sent to the participants.

# For Theme (2):

At the 7th meeting of the Office of Promoting International Strategies on January 25, 2012, members engaged in a lively discussion based on the four proposals. In regard to international exchange programs, the meeting featured a report that presented an overview of the FY2011 JICA Region Focused Training Program entitled "Seminar for Mathematics Lesson Evaluation" and there was a discussion of international exchange programs that would appropriate for Tokyo Gakugei University.

# **Plans for February**

- Hold the international conference on February 14, 2012.
- Consider international exchange program.