Mission

The historical city of Kyoto, a student town, proud home to numerous renowned universities, has long fostered ties between educational institutions and the local community, and industry through the promotion of research, cultural, and artistic activities.

Changes in the structure of industry due to scientific development, technological innovation, progress in information technology, and rapid internationalization have greatly influenced Kyoto society. The role of the university in today's environment must be reconsidered. The relationships among Kyoto universities, local communities, and industry need to be improved in order to make society's needs and the aims of tertiary education compatible.

The Consortium of Universities in Kyoto is contributing to the development of a closer community by disseminating research results, conducting information exchanges and creating an innovative system for lifelong learning. This initiative strengthens ties among universities and improves educational research projects.

The ultimate aim of the Consortium of Universities in Kyoto is not only to improve the quality of education in Kyoto but also to make productive contributions to academic research and higher education throughout Japan.

Established in March 10th, 1998
Basic Fund: 100,000,000 yen
Approved by Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology

Chronology

- March: "Daigaku-no-Machi, Kyoto 21 Plan" was announced by Kyoto City.
- April: "University Center Kyoto" was inaugurated.
- April: Credit Exchange System among 15 universities and 13 junior colleges commenced.
- July: Planning was begun to create a tertiary education exchange center.
- October: The 1st Faculty Development Forum was held.
- March: "University Research Yearbook in Kyoto Area" was published.
- April: "City College" project was begun by Kyoto City.
- May: A university guidance consultation room for adults was established and a guidebook was issued.
- September: A research database was made available.
- March: Approval was granted by the Minister of Education and the name was changed to "The Consortium of Universities in Kyoto".
- April: Internship Programs were begun. Extracurricular Learning Programs for Students were set up.
- October: The construction of College-Town Exchange Center (tentative name) was started.
- April: Distance-Learning examination systems were begun.
- June: Future Planning Committee was established.
- September: College-Town Exchange Center (Campus Plaza Kyoto) was completed. Opening Ceremony was held and the administrative office was relocated. Started the Kyoto Student Festival. Hosted the Kyoto International Student Film and Video Festival. Started a cooperative exhibition of Kyoto art schools. Started the Kyoto Entrepreneur School (founded by Kyoto City).
- October: Open University Classes were begun.
- December: The Future Planning Committee final report was submitted.
- April: Human Resource Development Programs and Remedial Education Programs were initiated.
- June: The "Academic Consortium of Kyoto" was organized.
- August: "Plaza College" was begun.
- March: Cooperative training programs for university administrative officers were begun.
- May: High School-University Collaboration Projects were begun.
- June: "Liaison Office" for industry-government-academic collaboration was set up.
- July: The MANABi (learning) Forum of Universities in Kyoto was started.
- May: A collaborative research council of high schools-universities in Kyoto was inaugurated. The committee for Universities Policy Formulation was started.
- October: The 1st Kyoto Intercollegiate Festia was implemented in the Okazaki area.
- December: The 1st Staff Development Forum was held.
- January: A plan to inspire Kyoto citizens with pride in their city as a world academic and cultural center was announced.
- February: The 1st high school-university collaborative Education Forum was held.
- March: "Daigaku-no-Machi, Kyoto WakuWaku Suisin Plan" was planned by Kyoto City.
- August: Adoption of "Support Program for Unique University Education" ("Creation of New Liberal Arts Education with University Collaboration - Credit Exchange System in the Kyoto Region")
- September: University administrator research program was begun.
- November: Logos determined for Consortium of Universities in Kyoto.
- December: Commemorative ceremony was held for the 10th anniversary of the establishment of the Consortium of Universities in Kyoto.
- 10th anniversary journal of the Consortium of Universities in Kyoto published.
- "Center for Higher Education Research in Kyoto" was established.
- "Kyoto Collaborative Academic Research Institute" was established.
- "The Consortium of Universities in Kyoto Sports Club" was established.

Organizational Structure

Board of Councilors
Board of Trustees
Executive Board of trustee
Auditor
Projects in 2005

Education Division

Credit Exchange System
1. Credit Exchange System (unique GP selection program)
   1) Enrich and develop coordinated courses
   2) Create a new coordinated education system to be completed by 2008 (New)

Lifelong Learning Program/Advanced Human Resource Development Program
1. City college (project consigned by Kyoto City)
2. Offer Kyoto MOT (Management of Technology) school (project consigned by Kyoto Prefecture Platform)
3. Offer student venture startup school (project consigned by Kyoto Prefecture Platform)
4. Extracurricular course program for students

Promotion of Ties Between High Schools and Universities
1. "Learning Forum" of Universities in Kyoto (held in five venues in Kyoto, Fukuishiyama, Osaka, Tokyo and Kobe)

Planning project/International exchange program
1. Promotion of the "Promotion Conference of Kyoto as a University Town"
2. Promotion of support projects for foreign students
   1) Operation of organization for housing guarantor system for foreign students in the Kyoto area
   2) Enhancement of activities of the Promotion Association for the inhabitation of foreign students in the Kyoto Area
   3) Promotion of coordinated support projects for foreign students
   4) Promotion of international exchange project
   5) Provision and dissemination of information regarding international exchange
   6) Promotion of international exchange project for the Consortium of Universities in Kyoto

Student Interaction Division

Student Interaction Project
1. Student Interaction Project (New)
   1) Hold student interaction project
   2) Hold the Kyoto Student Music Award (a nationwide music contest for students)

2. ART UNIV 2005 (the 6th)
3. The 8th Kyoto International Student Film & Video Festival

Sports practice project
1. Start the Consortium of Universities in Kyoto Sports Club (New)
   1) Hold sports classes
   2) Conduct on-demand sports clinic at requested locations, seminars for instructors, etc.

Communication project for student part-time job information
1. Support collaborative information exchange of part-time jobs for students

Management/Operation/Public Affairs

1. Management and operation of Campus Plaza Kyoto
   1) Management and operation of concentrated hub of satellites of Kyoto City and graduate schools
2. Organizational operation of the Consortium of Universities in Kyoto
3. Dispatch information regarding the Consortium of Universities in Kyoto
   1) Publish newsletters
   2) Operate website

*Created based on the resolutions of the 2004 Administrative Board Meeting*
### Member Institutions

The partners who tackle new value creation for Kyoto as the international, historical, cultural and intercollegiate city.

#### National Universities
- Kyoto University
- Kyoto University of Education
- Kyoto Institute of Technology

#### Public Universities
- Kyoto Municipal Junior College of Nursing
- Kyoto City University of Arts
- Kyoto Prefectural University
- Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine

#### Private Universities
- Ikenobo College
- Otani University
- Otani University Junior College
- Kacho Junior College
- Kyoto Junior College
- Kyoto College of Medical Technology
- Kyoto University of Foreign Studies
- Kyoto Junior College of Foreign Languages
- Kyoto Gakuen University
- Kyoto College of Economics
- Kyoto Koka Women's University
- Kyoto Koka Women's University Junior College
- Kyoto Saga University of Arts
- Kyoto Saga Art College
- Kyoto Sangyo University
- Kyoto Women's University
- Kyoto Women's Junior College
- Kyoto Seika University
- Kyoto Seizan College
- Kyoto Sosei University
- Kyoto University of Art and Design
- Kyoto Tachibana University

#### Local Public Council
- Kyoto City

#### Business Organization
- Kyoto Chamber of Commerce & Industry
- Kyoto Employe's Association
- Kyoto Association of Corporate Executives
- Kyoto Industrial Association

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