# **Kyushu University Education Charter**

### Article 1 (The Purpose of This Charter)

Kyushu University proclaims this Charter of Education in order to contribute to achieving the goals of higher education and meeting the expectations of all people, both in Japan and abroad.

### Article 2 (The Purpose of Education at Kyushu University)

Through the education of individuals capable of leadership in a diverse range of fields in Japan and willing to assume an active role in the world, especially in Asia, Kyushu University aims at contributing to progress throughout the world.

### Article 3 (The Principle of Humanity)

In pursuit of the above purpose, Kyushu University shall endeavour to cultivate human character of the highest quality based upon the following principles:

- a. Respect for human life and human dignity;
- b. The development of personality, natural abilities, and the mental and physical capabilities of individuals;
- c. Pursuit of truth and justice and the promotion of a culture that encourages creativity and originality;
- d. Conservation of the natural environment for the next generation.

### Article 4 (The Principle of Social Responsibility)

In pursuit of the above purpose, Kyushu University shall foster an appreciation of social values based upon the following principles:

- a. Encouraging individuals to play an active role in a free society, to respect labour, and to lead a socially responsible life;
- b. Ensuring observance of human rights;
- c. Promotion of gender equality;
- d. Cultivation of civic virtues based upon a comprehensive understanding of the political condition of society.

### Article 5 (The Principle of Global Citizenship)

In pursuit of the above purpose, Kyushu University shall encourage a sense of global citizenship based upon the following principles:

- a. Contribution to the cultural, social, and economic advancement of people in the world especially in Asia;
- b. Promotion of mutual understanding among and friendship between various peoples, nations, and religions;
- c. Partaking in the maintenance of world peace and ensuring that future generations be free from the scourge of war;
- d. Adhering to the principles stated in the Charter of the United Nations.

#### Article 6 (The Principle of the Advancement of Knowledge)

In pursuit of the above purpose, Kyushu University shall instill in students specialized knowledge of the highest quality based upon the following principles:

- a. Advancement of knowledge in accordance with the principles of humanity, social responsibility, and global citizenship, while paying regard to practical value of that knowledge;
- b. The development of scientific knowledge and technology in harmony with the progress of the arts and humanities;
- c. Valuing creativity and originality of scholarship;
- d. Ensuring compliance with professional ethics;
- e. Respect for the academic freedom and independence of the people involved in the advancement of knowledge.

## Article 7 (The Principle of Unity)

- a. Kyushu University shall adopt a united approach in pursuit of the above purpose and principles. In performing their respective functions, all staff members and students shall keep the present Charter in mind.
- b. In ensuring the fulfillment of the above obligation, the status of faculty members and the self-government of faculties shall be respected.

# **Kyushu University Research Charter**

## Article 1 (The Purpose of This Charter)

Kyushu University proclaims this Charter of Research in order to promote research activities that will contribute, as the foundation of the pursuit, creation and development of better knowledge, to mankind and society.

## Article 2 (The Role of Research)

- As the highest seat of learning, Kyushu University, with sincere respect for the long tradition of the pursuit of truth by mankind and for the human wisdom realized therein, shall carry out its mission of handing down this basic attitude to future generations.
- Kyushu University shall also recognize its role as an institution of producing the most progressive and world-renowned knowledge by developing perspectives from the basic researches in the various fields of culture and science.

## Article 3 (The Idea of Research and Its Ethical Character)

- 1. While respecting tradition and the pursuit of wisdom therein, Kyushu University shall endeavour to deepen and develop knowledge that will meet the needs of contemporary society.
- Kyushu University shall ascribe the highest value to creative and original research and pay the utmost respect to academic freedom and the autonomy of researchers.
- Kyushu University shall endeavour to establish harmony between the pursuits of human wisdom and scientific knowledge while pursuing practical values in various academic fields.
- 4. While paying constant attention to the possible influences of science on the natural environment and the survival of human beings, Kyushu University shall endeavour, according to its conscience and good sense, to promote research activities that respect human life and human dignity.

## Article 4 (The Social and International Contribution of Research)

- 1. While maintaining the spirit of the pursuit of truth that embodies the idea of a university, Kyushu University shall contribute to achieving human welfare, the development of culture and the peace of the world through its research activities.
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  2. Research in Kyushu University shall not only make best efforts to fulfil multiple social needs in order to achieve universality and utility but also aim to contribute to both the local community and the region within which Kyushu University is located.
- 3. As an institution open to the public, Kyushu University shall freely disclose its research results. It shall endeavour to establish an international foothold promoting exchange programs of researchers and linkage with other institutions and enterprises as well as actively dispatching information to the world.

## Article 5 (Cooperation between Research and Education)

With regard to the university role of education and of nurturing and producing persons of international capabilities, Kyushu University shall endeavour, based upon the harmonious cooperation of functions between research and education, to bring up persons to whom we can entrust our future.

## Article 6 (The Principle of Unity)

Kyushu University shall adopt a united approach in pursuit of the above purpose and principles. In order to achieve this, all staff members and students shall cooperate and unite together. They shall be well aware of their roles and functions and make every effort to perform their responsibilities.