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KINKI UNIVERSITY

Founding Principles

'Learning for the real world' and 'nurturing intellectual and emotional intelligence'

Educational Goal

To develop caring, trustworthy, and respectable people

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At a Glance

Kinki University was founded in 1949. Now one of Japan's largest universities, it has six campuses in western Japan and boasts research facilities across the nation-from Hokkaido in the north to Kagoshima in the south. Currently, Kinki University comprises 13 faculties with 48 departments, 11 graduate schools, a law school, 20 research facilities, two junior colleges, 18 associated primary and secondary schools, and three teaching hospitals. The university has over 31,000 students and more than 477,000 alumni.

Kinki University conducts research in a wide range of fields and is making a name for itself as a leader in aquaculture, most notably for its work with bluefin tuna. Dedicated to meeting the needs of today's rapidly changing society, Kinki University will continue expanding its educational programs and facilities.



Our Name

The name "Kinki" refers to the region in western Japan where our university is located. The Kinki region covers seven prefectures and includes the cities of Kyoto, Kobe, Osaka, Wakayama, and Nara. The university is informally known as "Kindai," a name formed by combining kin from Kinki with dai from daigaku, the Japanese word for university. In April 2016, "Kindai University" will become the official English name for Kinki University, and a foreign language faculty will be launched-moves that will further the university's aims of broadening its international profile.

Our Logo

The Kinki University logo represents the flower of the Japanese plum tree, the first flower to blossom after Japan's long, cold winter. The flower's five petals resemble both the shape of a person and the Japanese kanji character 大 (dai), the first character in 大学 (daigaku).' There is a small gap in one of the petals indicating that the university's goals are not yet fully realized, and there is still potential for improvement and development.









Learning & Growing for the Real World

Kinki University offers learning for the real world—a focus that puts our research programs at the international forefront of addressing some of today's most complex issues. With vibrant campuses, compelling curricula, and practical field studies, Kinki University shapes caring global citizens who can inspire trust and respect.



Kinki University—Aiming Ever Higher for an Even Better Future



As of May 2014

Leading the Way in Cutting-Edge Research

Kinki University's research centers are equipped with state-of-the-art equipment and facilities and are blessed with an ideal research environment. Our dedicated research teams strive to make a meaningful contribution to society and to lead the world in their respective areas of research.



Atomic Energy Research Institute

Established in 1960 for atomic energy research and education, the Atomic Energy Research Institute owns one of the only two university-operated reactors in Japan. This extremely safe reactor is used for training, for joint research with other universities and overseas engineers, and for study tours by educators and high school students. The institute also allows tours by the general public. Through practical hands-on education, it aims to foster atomic energy specialists and to raise the general public's <u>awareness of atomic energy</u>.



Research Institute of Bio-coke

Bio-coke is an environment-friendly biomass fuel that can be made from almost any photosynthetic plant, including what had been considered waste materials such as used tea leaves. An effective form of waste management, Bio-coke is also seen as a way to counter the over-reliance on fossil fuels. Someday, Bio-coke might replace the coal that industries currently use as a solid fuel for smelting iron, leading to a significant reduction in CO₂ emissions. This institute is working to bring Bio-coke to commercial production and recently began a project in Malaysia to make Bio-coke from palm tree scraps.



Experimental Farms

The Faculty of Agriculture has two farms: one in Yuasa and another in Oishi. The Yuasa Farm focuses on the research and cultivation of fruit. It produces Kindai-brand *mikan* oranges and owns an orchard, where original citrus fruit species are preserved. This farm's research into tropical fruits has led to its successful development of a new breed of mango called Aikoh.

The Oishi Farm breeds ducks, pigs, and *wagyu* cattle. Duck meat and beef from this farm are sold under the Kindai brand and are popular among local residents.

Other Research Centers and Institutes

Research Center for Industrial and Legal Information

Conducts research on laws and judicial precedents that are key to an information-oriented society and runs a database of precedents in intellectual property rights.

Ethnology Research Center

Conducts research on Japanese folklore, with the aim of contributing to the creation and development of new aspects of Japanese culture.

International Center for Human Sciences

Conducts research on the humanities and addresses various modern-day humanities issues through international exchanges, joint research, and symposiums that transcend disciplinary boundaries.

Institute for World Economy

Conducts active international exchanges and joint research with a focus on globalization of the economy and makes constructive government policy proposals on the Japanese economy.

Research Institute of Fundamental Technology for Next Generation

Conducts research on such engineering fields as automotive technology, 3D modeling, architectural environment, biotechnology, and robotics.

Life Science Research Institute

Conducts joint research involving various faculties, such as medicine, agriculture, science and engineering, and pharmacy, with the aim of contributing to the health and welfare of humankind.

Institute of Immunotherapy and Research for Cancer

Conducts research on the life-sustaining effects brought on by the combined application of immunostimulants and low-dosage anticancer drugs.

Research Institute for Science and Technology

Conducts research on the fundamentals of science and engineering as well as their applications, with the aim of contributing to the development of state-of-the art manufacturing technology and interdisciplinary technologies.

Center for Human Rights

Conducts research and investigations into human rights issues in Japan and overseas, such as the international protection of human rights and a social discrimination issue in Japan that is referred to as *dowa*.

Pharmaceutical Research and Technology Institute

Conducts unique, interdisciplinary research that includes searches for outstanding medicinal seeds (potentials) and the development of foods with health-promoting benefits.

Institute of Japan Cultural Studies

Analyzes the current situation of Japanese culture and makes proposals on the direction it should take amid an increasingly globalizing international community.

Institute for Creative Management and Innovation

Conducts research and investigations into management innovations, with the aim of contributing to the development of business administration.

Institute of Advanced Technology

Comprises four research centers focusing on bioengineering, robotics engineering, plants, and high-pressure protein.

Molecular Engineering Institute

Conducts research and education on the development of next-generation materials, with the aim of applying its findings to the environment and energy fields.

Research Institute of Oriental Medicine

Conducts research on boosting the safety and effectiveness of a new therapeutic approach that merges Oriental and Western medicine.

Institute of Infant Education

Conducts research and investigations into infant education, with the aim of contributing to its development.

Joint Research Center

Facilitates the research and education conducted by faculties in the natural sciences by providing various kinds of state-of-the-art scientific equipment. Branch centers are located at each of the university's campuses.

A World Aquaculture Pioneer: Fisheries Laboratory

Kinki University's aquaculture program and research started in 1948. The university was the first organization to successfully raise red sea bream and amberjack using full-cycle aquaculture, a process that involves raising fish from eggs to adults, rather than from juvenile fish caught in the wild.

With the wild stocks of many fish species in rapid decline, Kinki University fully understands the impact of overfishing and has steadfastly focused its research on the use of full-cycle aguaculture as one solution to the problem. In 2002, despite widespread belief that it was impossible to breed tuna using full-cycle aquaculture, Kinki University became the first in the world to do so with bluefin tuna. Our breeding technologies have

been so successful that we are now able to release juvenile tuna into the oceans.

Tuna bred at the Fisheries Laboratory have been trademarked as Kindai tuna, a name that is also a testament to the high quality of these fish. At a time of growing concern over the safety of tuna and the high levels of mercury it may contain, Kindai tuna is guaranteed to be safe for human consumption.

Kinki University will continue to push the boundaries of aguaculture research, with the ultimate goal of reducing pressure on wild fish stocks and cultivating the oceans of the world through the reintroduction of fish.

First in the World to Farm Hatch and **Raise 18 Species of Fish**

In 1965, the Fisheries Laboratory became the first in the world to produce farm-hatched Japanese flounder fry. More world firsts followed, with the lab having successfully farm hatched and raised a total of 18 species of fish to date. These efforts help prevent the depletion of natural fish stocks caused by overfishing and also enable mass production of species in short supply, making it possible to bring prized fish to market at more reasonable prices. The Fisheries Laboratory is achieving solid results towards its vision of harvesting the sea for resources and helping the fishing industry shift from fishing to farming in an age when food shortages are likely to occur in the future.







Aquaculture

Featured in NYT

The achievements of the Fisheries Laboratory in full-cycle aquaculture of bluefin tuna have been covered by numerous newspapers including the New York Times, Asahi Shimbun and Mainichi Shimbun. They have also been featured on TV programs on NHK (Japan's public service broadcaster) and BBC as well as on TV programs in Korea and Taiwan.

September 26, 2006 issue of the New York Times

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2004

Ships first lot of bluefin

2007

Produces 3rd generation of farm-hatched bluefin

Japanese pilchard

1999

Chub mackerel

Architects of a Better Future



Professor Tomonari Dotera [Physics]

Professor Dotera specializes in condensed matter physics and does research on soft matter quasicrystals. He has created several complex Archimedean tiling patterns in polymers, and—in a paper that was later cited in the explanation of the 2011 Nobel Prize in Chemistry-he showed evidence of a 'polymeric guasicrystal' tiling for the first time. In 2014, his paper clarifying the origin of unusual non-periodic ordering that defines soft matter quasicrystals was published in Nature

Associate Professor Hiroyuki Moriyama Stem Cell Biology and matologvl

Associate Professor Moriyama's scientific interest is focused on the basic biology of stem cells. His group investigates the potential value of mesenchymal stem cells in tissue engineering and the utilization of environmental signals, such as oxygen, in modulating stem cells. By combining his extensive technical expertise in stem cell science and dermatological research, his ultimate goal is to reconstitute the perfect skin tissue and to develop personalized regenerative

therapy

Emeritus Professor Hidemi Kumai me Biology [Aquaculture]

Professor

Kazuto

Nishio

specialty is

Professor Nishio's A fisheries biologist, Professor Kumai has long pharmacotherapy for been involved in cancer-particularly the aquaculture. It was his areas of targeted therapy, research team that achieved full-cycle translational research, biomarkers, and aquaculture of bluefin tuna. In 2003, while personalized medicine. Using genome and gene serving as the third analyses as well as an director of the Fisheries approach grounded in Laboratory (1991 to 2008), molecular biology, he Professor Kumai headed works to elucidate up an aquaculture project pathological conditions and that was chosen for the conducts research on 21st COE (Center of biomarker development. Excellence) Program and Global COE Program run by the Japanese government.

Reiko Sugiura cular Pharmacogenomics and Drug Discovery]

Professor

Professor Sugiura is a pioneer researcher on the identification of regulatory factors of MAPK (mitogen-activated protein kinase) and the elucidation of its control mechanisms. Along with her distinguished work as a scientist and a medical doctor, she is developing a groundbreaking strategy to combat cancer on a molecular-targeted basis. She currently serves as a research project leader for the Strategic Research Foundation, supported by the Japanese government

Professor Hideki Kyogoku hanical Engineering]

Professor Kyogoku is a leading researcher in the development of both laser additive manufacturing technology and functional materials, such as shape-memory alloys made via powder metallurgy. He serves as a project leader in TRAFAM (Technology Research Association for Future Additive Manufacturing), an organization that has been commissioned by the Japanese government to develop next-generation industrial 3D printers and ultra-precise 3D modeling systems.

Professor Tetsuya Mitsudomi Thoracic Surgery]

Professo

Mikio

Physics]

Nakahara

Professor Nakahara is

Professor Mitsudomi's current research interests include surgical treatment, targeted therapy, and biomarker development for lung cancer. He won the Mary J. Matthews Award at the 2013 World Conference on Lung Cancer. He also received the 2014 Kiyoko and Paul Bourdarie-Goto Scientific Prize for his paper on the treatment of lung cancer harboring EGFR (epidermal growth factor receptor) mutations

actively conducting research on quantum information, quantum computing, and guantum control. He is also working on topological excitations in various condensed matter systems. Professor Nakahara is well known for his advanced textbooks on quantum computing and mathematical physics, both of which are widely used in prestigious universities around the world

Professor Tamio lda [Mechanical Engineering]

Professor Ida does research on Bio-coke, a biomass fuel that can be used as a coal coke substitute in large-scale industrial processes. Bio-coke technology can help reduce CO₂ emissions for the prevention of global warming and can also help control rising coal coke prices. Professor Ida's main research project is on Bio-coke manufacturing methods and devices that would enable fast and efficient production of Bio-coke. He also aims to develop innovative biomass energy technology for building a greener world.

Professor Shigeki Hontsu Functional Materials]

Professor Hontsu uses interdisciplinary research that integrates electronics and bioengineering to develop novel medical materials, such as the flexible hydroxyapatite sheet, for dental treatment. As a biocompatible dental material, his hydroxyapatite sheet looks promising for use in the repair and protection of tooth enamel as well as in the treatment of hyperesthesia.

Professo Masatoshi Kudo [Gastroenterology and Hepatology]

Professor Kudo has been a member of the ILCA (International Liver Cancer Association) Governing Board since 2009 and president of Kinki University Medical Center since 2008. He has published 517 international scientific peer review papers in well-regarded journals and 789 scientific papers in Japan-based publications. His research interest lies in the diagnosis and treatment of HCC (hepatocellular carcinoma).



Where Opportunities for Learning Abound

Kinki University is one of the largest universities in Japan, boasting 13 faculties with 48 departments, 11 graduate schools, and a law school. As a comprehensive educational institution, we provide opportunities for learning and research in a wide range of disciplines in the arts and sciences alike.











Law School

Graduate Schools

Graduate School of Law	Graduate School of Pha	
Graduate School of Commerce	Graduate School of Inte Human Studies	
Graduate School of Economics		
Graduate School of Science and Engineering Research	Graduate School of Ag	
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Undergraduate Programs

Faculty of Law	Department of Law	Faculty of Agriculture	Department of Agricultural Science
	Department of Law and Policy		Department of Fisheries
Faculty of Economics	Department of Economics		Department of Applied Biological Chemistry
	Department of International Economics		Department of Food Science and Nutrition
	Department of Public Management		Department of Environmental Management
Faculty of Business Administration	Department of Business Administration		Department of Advanced Bioscience
	Department of Business and Marketing Strategy	Faculty of Medicine	Department of Medicine
	Department of Accounting		
	Department of Career Management	Faculty of Biology-Oriented	Department of Biotechnological Science
		Science and Technology	Department of Genetic Engineering
Faculty of Science and Engineering	Department of Science Department of Life Science		Department of Science and Technology on Food Safety
	Department of Applied Chemistry		Department of Computational Systems Biology
	Department of Electric and Electronic		Department of Biomechanical and Human Factors Engineering
	Engineering Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering		Department of Biomedical Engineering
	Department of Informatics	Faculty of Engineering	Department of Biotechnology and Chemistry
Faculty of Architecture	Department of Architecture		Department of Mechanical Engineering
			Department of Robotics
Faculty of Pharmacy	Department of Pharmacy (6 years)		Department of Electronic Engineering and Computer Science
	Department of Pharmaceutical		Department of Informatics
	Sciences (4 years)		Department of Architecture
Faculty of Literature,	Department of Literature	Enculturef	December of Dislanias land
Studies	Department of Arts	Humanity-Oriented	Environmental Chemistry
	Department of Cultural and Historical Studies	Science and Engineering	Department of Electrical and Communication Engineering
	Department of English		Department of Architecture and Design
Faculty of Applied Sociology	Department of Applied Sociology		Department of Information and Computer Science
			Department of Management and Business
		Department of Teacher Education	

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	Graduate School of Systems Engineering	
riculture	Graduate School of Humanity-Oriented	
dical Sciences	Science and Engineering	



Linked for Learning

Kinki University currently has partnerships with 41* universities around the world and is actively working to increase this number. In addition to exchanging faculty members and students, the partners cooperate in research and publication.





Partner Universities Overseas

Australia

Bond University

- Southern Cross University
- University of Canberra
- University of Southern Queensland
- University of Western Sydney

Canada

University of Calgary

China

- China Pharmaceutical University
- Dalian University of Technology
- Nanjing Forestry University
- Peking University
- Shanghai Maritime University
- Shenyang Pharmaceutical University
- Xi'an University of Technology

Germany

Ludwig-Maximilians University Munich

University of Rostock

Ireland Dublin City University

Italy Sapienza University of Rome

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Kosovo

Malaysia

New Zealand

South Korea

Honam University

• Kyung Hee University

Inha University

Taiwan

University of Waikato

University of Prishtina

University Malavsia Sabah

Busan University of Foreign Studies

Chonnam National University



The Village E³ [e-cube]

The Village E³ [e-cube] opened on the Higashiosaka Campus in November 2006 as a unique place to learn and brush up English skills. The three Es-English, Enjoyment, and Education—represent the facility's concept of learning practical English while having fun.

Only English is allowed at this first-of-a-kind facility for universities in Japan. Native-English-speaking staffers are on hand for practical conversation, and a variety of activities, mini lectures, and events are held in English.

On average, 600 students a day visit the Village. It's open to the public during spring and summer breaks and on special occasions.

International Students at Kinki University

More than 300 students from around the world study at Kinki University, supported in their studies, everyday life, finding employment, and other areas by the Center for International Affairs. The university also has a system for partnering international students with Japanese students, who provide support with academia and adapting to life in Japan. Scholarships are available.

International students can enroll in spring and fall for the Japanese language course and in spring for undergraduate and graduate schools.



Center for International Affairs

This center is in charge of all services related to Japanese-language education and international exchange. Please contact us if you have any questions. We welcome all inquiries.

Thailand

- Chiang Mai University
- Chulalongkorn University
- Rajamangala University of Technology Srivijaya, Faculty of Agriculture
- Thai-Nichi Institute of Technology Thammasat University, Faculty of Architecture and Planning

UK

- Edinburgh College of Art
- London Metropolitan University
- University of Nottingham
- University of Sussex
- University of Winchester

USA

- University of California. Davis
- University of Illinois at
- Urbana-Champaign West Virginia University

Vietnam

Thai Nguyen University

*As of MONTH 2014



The English-speaking staff of the Village E³ [e-cube] and the Center for International Affairs

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 National Formosa University National Taiwan University, College of Liberal Arts, Language Center

Industry-Government-Academia Collaboration

Kinki University has actively taken part in industry-government-academia collaboration since the 1970s. Kinki University's coverage of both the sciences and the humanities as a comprehensive institution allows it to adopt an interdisciplinary approach to requests for joint research, contracted research, technical guidance, and technology transfer. Here are recent examples of the university's tie-ups with some of Japan's leading companies.

Kinki University and Toyota Tsusho **Team Up to Farm Tuna**



At a July 16, 2014 press conference announcing the collaborat



Kinki University and Toyota Tsusho Corporation, a Toyota Group trading firm, are collaborating in the full-cycle aquaculture business for tuna. Fertilized tuna eggs supplied by Kinki University are hatched and grown into fry in tanks at Tuna Dream Goto Fish Nursery Center, a Toyota Tsusho subsidiary located in Nagasaki Prefecture on Fukue Island of the Goto Island Chain. The fry are then transferred to offshore nets to grow into

Outline of the Full-Cycle Aquaculture Project



Kinki University and Mazda Sign Comprehensive Research Agreement



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In December 2012, Kinki University and Mazda Motor Corporation signed an agreement concerning comprehensive research collaboration. The two parties are conducting joint research projects in next-generation automobile technologies. The Hiroshima area, where Kinki University's Faculty of Engineering is located, is home to numerous companies in the automobile-related industry, including Mazda. The collaboration aims to strengthen the technological capabilities of local industry. Joint project themes include: 1) electronics to boost



(approx, 30 cm)

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larger juvenile fish that will be shipped to

fish farms in various parts of Japan. Kinki

University-Toyota Tsusho collaboration is

shipments of young tuna. And because

this system enables aquaculture without

relying on natural fish stock, it can help

curb the depletion of natural resources.

University also provides technical

The goal behind the Kinki

to provide fish farms with stable

guidance on breeding the tuna.

the safety, environmental friendliness. and convenience of automobiles; 2) environmentally friendly new materials and new processing techniques; and 3) basic research in dynamics, energy conversion, fluid engineering, and ergonomics.



At a January 11, 2013 press conference announcing the collaboration

Kinki University, Kagome, and Osaka **Prefecture Grow Electrostatic Screen Business**

An electrostatic screen is a screen that utilizes static electricity to capture insect pests. Attaching an electrostatic screen to the openings in a greenhouse creates a pest-free environment without using large amounts of pesticide. The screen was originally developed through a joint project between Kinki University and Kagome Co., Ltd. (a food manufacturer). Later on, an Osaka Prefecture research



institute joined in. The screen was patented in Japan in July 2007. Although research was initially focused on agricultural applications, the screen's potential for use in a wide range of areas, including the construction and food industries, became apparent. Kinki University Faculty of Agriculture responded by establishing the Research Association of Electric Screen Supporters, a study group charged with looking into other practical applications, such as ventilating food company factories and keeping pollen out of buildings. The association now has more than 20 member organizations from

industry, government, and academia-

Kinki University Collaborates with NASA and JAXA to Monitor Air Quality

Kinki University's REESIT (Remote sensing for Earth's Environment based on Science and Information Technology) Group focuses on topics related to atmospheric particles (aerosols) and works with scientists from around the world. One such topic is the investigation of aerosol properties over Japan, carried out in collaboration with NASA's AERONET (Aerosol Robotic Network)



A NASA AERONET instrument in Shiraham (Japan's Wakayama Prefecture)



Global distribution of aerosols derived from a POLDER sensor on board the ADEOS-1 satellite

Group. Kinki University's long-term contract with NASA on aerosol research dates back to the deployment of the first AERONET instrument at Kinki University's Fisheries Laboratory in Shirahama, Japan in 2000. Another focal topic is the development of an efficient method for

including Panasonic Environmental Systems and Engineering Co., Ltd., which is playing a central role in product commercialization.

KAGOME



Electrostatic screens installed in greenhouse windows keep bugs out while letting fresh air in



Silverleaf whiteflies caught in the electrostatic screen

aerosol remote sensing from space. Kinki University is working with JAXA (Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency) on its GCOM (Global Change Observation Mission) project, which will see the JAXA/GCOM-C satellite provide aerosol information on a global scale in 2017.



Kinki University Hospital on the Faculty of Medicine campus in Osaka-Sayama

Providing Advanced Medical Education and Treatment

Kinki University Faculty of Medicine has three affiliated teaching hospitals that provide clinical education and training to current and future health professionals and give advanced medical care to patients. One of them, Kinki University Hospital, plays a vital role as the core medical institution in southern Osaka and is highly regarded for its use of cutting-edge treatments and diagnostic tools, such as PET-CT scans. The other two, Sakai Hospital and Nara Hospital, also contribute to their local communities by offering prompt and precise diagnosis and treatment in a wide range of specialties.

The Faculty of Medicine also has three research centers that actively pursue research projects of real-world significance.





Kinki University Hospital Emergency and Disaster Center

In December 2013, Kinki University Hospital bolstered its position as southern Osaka's core medical institution by opening its Emergency and Disaster Center. The new center consolidates the hospital's emergency departments-including the ER, Cardiovascular Center, and Stroke Center-in a new five-floor, earthquake-proof building equipped with state-of-the-art medical facilities and equipment. With this center, the hospital can provide efficient and appropriate treatment as well as the best in emergency medical care.

Designated by the Japanese government as a key disaster-response base hospital, Kinki University Hospital will make its Emergency and Disaster Center available as a base for treating severely ill or injured patients during disasters, such as large-scale earthquakes.





Da Vinci Surgical System



In keeping with its reputation of being one of Japan's best hospitals for cancer treatment, Kinki University Hospital has introduced the da Vinci Surgical System. This robotically assisted surgical platform facilitates complex surgery and uses a minimally invasive

Making Advances in Cancer Research

The Department of Medical Oncology (headed by Professor Kazuhiko Nakagawa) is the first university department in Japan dedicated to medical oncology. Part of the Faculty of Medicine, this department played a central role in the development and clinical trial of gefitinib (trade name Iressa), a drug used in targeted therapy for lung cancer.

First approved in Japan, gefitinib inhibits tyrosine kinase, an enzyme that causes cancer cells to grow. Though

gefitinib does produce side effects, it is highly effective in certain types of patients when properly administered. In March 2006, a clinical trial for gefitinib got underway, with Kinki University and medical institutions in nine Asian countries taking part. Called IPASS (Iressa Pan-Asia Study), this joint study lasted a year and seven months. The results, announced at international academic conferences, have made an impact on the medical world. The

wealth of detailed data collected

approach, giving patients a safe and less burdensome surgical option. Kinki University Hospital uses da Vinci mainly for prostatectomies but is increasing its use in the treatment of gynecologic and stomach cancers.

through IPASS was instrumental in paving the way for the appropriate and effective usage of gefitinib as a new treatment for lung cancer.

Kinki University is a key player in the research and treatment of cancer in Japan and Asia. It is also one of the few universities in Japan focusing on

fostering oncologists who are also pharmacotherapy specialists.



Our Athletes Aim for the Highest

Kinki University is home to varsity athletic teams ranked among the highest in Japan, including the swimming, baseball, and archery teams. These teams have produced top-caliber athletes who have made their mark in both the national and international arenas. Here we introduce Kinki University's lineup of Olympic medalists and its history of participation in the Olympic Games.

Kinki University Olympic Medalists

Mexico 1968: Bronze

Eiji Morioka

- Boxing (bantamweight) Graduated 1969: Faculty of Commerce-Economics
- Morioka fought Valerian Sokolov of

the USSR in the semifinals but was defeated by Sokolov, who went on to win the gold medal. Morioka later said that he had been happy to hear booing from the audience in response to the questionable call that determined his defeat.

Sydney 2000: Bronze

Miki Nakao

Graduated 2001:

Faculty of Commerce-Economics

Nakao was a student at Kinki

University High School when she

competed in her first Olympics in

hard training paid off when she

became the first Kinki University

medalist since Eiji Morioka in 1968.



Athens 2004: Bronze

Yuko Nakanishi

• Swimming (200-meter butterfly) Graduated 2004: Faculty of Commerce-Economics

Nakanishi competed in her first Olympics in Sydney in 2000. She earned a medal during her second by beating out her opponent for third place by just a hair in an intense race that came down to the last 50 meters.



Athens 2004: Bronze

Yoshihiro Okumura

 Swimming (4x100-meter men's medley relay) Graduated 2006;

Okumura competed in the 100- and 200-meter freestyle events and made it to the semifinals in the latter. He served as anchor in the 4x100-meter men's medley relay, helping his team win a bronze medal

London 2012: Bronze

Aya Terakawa

 Swimming (100-meter backstroke, 4x100-meter women's medley relay) Graduated 2007; Faculty of Law

In her second Olympics (after Athens 2004), Terakawa won her first medal when she broke her own Japanese record in the 100-meter backstroke. She also medaled as a member of Japan's 4x100-meter women's medley relay team.



London 2012: Silver and Bronze

Ryosuke Irie

 Swimming (100-meter backstroke, 200-meter backstroke 4x100-meter men's medley relay) • Graduated 2012; Faculty of Law

Irie missed out on a medal at the 2008 Beijing Olympics but made up for it in London with a total of three medals: a bronze in the 100-meter backstroke and a silver in both the 200-meter backstroke and the 4x100-meter men's medley relay.



London 2012: Silver

Takaharu Furukawa

• Archery (men's individual) • Graduated 2007 Faculty of Business Administration

At his third Olympics, Furukawa won a silver medal—greatly surpassing his goal of making it to the top eight His success gave Japan its first medal in the men's individual event since the 2004 Athens games.



London 2012: Bronze

Miki Kanie

• Archery (women's team) Graduated 2011; Faculty of Law

Kaori Kawanaka

• Archery (women's team) Graduated 2014: Faculty of Business Administration

Kinki University graduate Kanie (center) and then-student Kawanaka (right) joined forces as two thirds of the Japanese women's team to earn their country its first medal in the men's and women's team event.





Athens 2004: Silver and Bronze

Takashi Yamamoto

- Swimming (200-meter butterfly, 4x100-meter men's medley relay) Graduated 2001; Faculty of Commerce-Economics
- Yamamoto was captain of Japan's national swimming team when he competed in his third Olympics and earned two medals. One of those medals was in the 4x100-meter men's medley relay—Japan's first medal in that event in 44 years.







1964	Tokyo Olympics Kichijiro Hamada competes in boxing, making him Kinki University's first Olympic athlete.
1968	Mexico Olympics Eiji Morioka wins a bronze medal in boxing.
1972	Munich Olympics Shiro Maruyama competes as a member of the men's fencing team.
1984	Los Angeles Olympics Taemi Ise competes in swimming.
1988	Seoul Olympics Yukinori Tanaka and Shigemori Maruyama compete in swimming.
	Calgary Winter Olympics Atsushi Egawa competes in cross-country skiing.
1992	Barcelona Olympics Five Kinki University students compete in swimming, archery, and sailing.
	Albertville Winter Olympics Kiminobu Kimura competes in alpine skiing.
1994	Lillehammer Winter Olympics Kiminobu Kimura competes in alpine skiing.
1996	Atlanta Olympics Hisato Yasui and Ryuji Horii compete in swimming.
1998	Nagano Winter Olympics Kiminobu Kimura competes in alpine skiing.
2000	Sydney Olympics In swimming, Takashi Yamamoto and Yuko Nakanishi finish as finalists, and Miki Nakao wins a bronze medal. In archery, Masafumi Makiyama and Yuji Hamano compete.
2004	Athens Olympics In swimming, Takashi Yamamoto and Yuko Nakanishi win a silver and a bronze medal, respectively; Yoshihiro Okumura and Aya Terakawa also compete.
2006	Turin Winter Olympics Five Kinki University students compete in skiing events.
2008	Beijing Olympics In swimming, Ryosuke Irie and Misaki Yamaguchi (both students) and Yoshihiro Okumura and Yuko Nakanishi (both graduates) finish as finalists.
2010	Vancouver Winter Olympics Hiroomi Takizawa and Yuichi Onda compete in skiing events.
2012	London Olympics Medals go to Ryosuke Irie and Aya Terakawa for swimming and to Miki Kanie, Kaori Kawanaka, and Takaharu Furukawa for archery. Sho Sotodate competes in swimming and Hideki Kikuchi in archery.

Making Strides in Research and Education of Real-World Relevance



Kinki University was founded in 1925 with its principle mission to conduct research and provide education relevant to the real world. Today, with over 30,000 students and over 6,000 faculty members on six campuses in and around Osaka, Japan's second largest city, and in other parts of the country, Kinki University is widely recognized as one of Japan's leading research institutions.

Kinki University is comprised of 13 faculties with 48 departments, 33 of which are science-based. In addition to the academic faculties and departments, the University supports 20 research facilities, which include the Fisheries Laboratory, the Atomic Energy Research Institute, and three affiliated hospitals, which treat over a million patients per year, and function as central medical institutes for the Kinki region of Japan.

Based on the belief that research should provide tangible benefits to society, we conduct a wide range of research geared to practical application. A major example of this is our aquaculture research, with which we have achieved what many had considered impossible: the world's first successful full-cycle aquaculture of bluefin tuna, a species in danger of extinction. Bluefin tuna and other species of fish bred at our facilities are now available for the general public to enjoy at the Kinki University-sponsored restaurants in Tokyo and Osaka, which are among the most popular and talked-about in Japan. Thanks in part to the publicity generated by these and other research accomplishments, Kinki University had over 100,000 applicants for its 2014 entrance examinations, more than any other university in Janan

Well aware that universities can and should serve a vital role in helping society, we have an ongoing project to support a town in Fukushima Prefecture, which was devastated by the March 2011 major earthquake and tsunami, and resulting nuclear power plant accident. Our 13 faculties are pooling their collective knowledge and resources in order to assist the people of Fukushima through projects such as radioactive decontamination.

The Japanese government has issued a call for the globalization of

universities, and in line with this, we are working to make ourselves into a more internationally focused university. We are, for example, making efforts to provide more classes taught in English, and expanding tie-ups with universities around the world. Over the years, more than 470,000 students have graduated from Kinki University, and they are doing their part for society in various capacities around the world. Our continuing goal will be to produce graduates who can lead in their respective fields wherever in the world they go.

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News Focus

New Foreign Language Faculty to Open in 2016

Kinki University will open its 14th faculty in April 2016. The new faculty will focus on foreign languages and international relations. To further its goal of fostering globally minded human resources who can play an active role in the international business world, the university is teaming up with Berlitz Corporation, a global language education company. Berlitz has a history of more than 130 years and a proven track record of providing language training to over



President Shiozaki (left) shakes hands with Mark Harris, President and CEO of Berlitz Corporation, at the press conference announcing the partnership

12,000 corporate clients. The partnership will enable Kinki University to enrich its practical education. Students will gain not only the basic English skills needed for overseas study and other academic work but other practical communication skills as well. Kinki University will also make use of know-how from ELS Educational Services, Inc., a Berlitz Group company, to provide an overseas study program. The plan under consideration includes long-term study at partner universities overseas.

Kindai Restaurants Cultivate an Appetite for Lab-Bred Fish

Kinki University Fisheries Laboratory in Wakayama Prefecture is putting the fruits of its research to tasty use at the university's own seafood restaurants in Osaka and Tokyo, two of Japan's largest cities. The restaurants serve tuna, red sea bream, and other kinds of fish cultivated at the fisheries lab as well as vegetables and other produce from Wakayama.

The Osaka eatery opened in April 2013 in a bustling business and commercial complex known as Grand Front Osaka. The Tokyo outlet opened in December 2013 in the upscale

Ginza district, an ideal location for showcasing Kinki University's achievement as the first in the world to cultivate Pacific bluefin tuna. Customers line up daily at both locations. In fact, the restaurants are so popular that the Osaka outlet reached the 100,000-customer milestone on February 9, 2014—four months earlier than expected.



Restaurant in Osaka

Collaborating with Amazon Japan in Online Services



Amazon Japan President Jasper Cheung and President Shiozaki (right) shake hands at the press conference announcing the tie-up

In the first-ever partnership between a Japanese university and Amazon Japan, Kinki University is collaborating with the e-commerce giant to provide enhanced education, research, and student services. Textbooks are now available through Amazon Japan on a dedicated Kindai page. The tie-up also includes a print-on-demand service that gives users direct access to syllabuses and research journals, eliminating the need for the university to print and distribute them and helping the university save on costs.