学長からのメッセージ

Message from the President of Tottori University



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「知と実践の融合」の 理念のもと地域に根ざし 国際的に飛躍する

To Be Rooted in the Local Community and Play an Active Role Globally under the Philosophy of "Fusion of Knowledge and Practice"

鳥取大学は、前身校の時代から地域の課題を地域とともに考え解決し、その過程で得られた知見を広く国際社会に発信し、学術の発展だけでなく世界の平和や福祉にも大きく貢献してきました。こうした伝統を受け継ぎ、実践を通して知識を深め理論を身につけ、地域から国際社会まで広く社会に貢献する「知と実践の融合」を基本理念として、教育、研究、社会貢献に取り組んでいます。

教育面では、様々な分野で中核となって活躍できる人材の養成を行ってきており、最近では、持続可能な社会づくりや地域創生に資する人材の養成にも注力しております。また、短期の語学留学だけでなく海外での実践的な研修プログラムも用意し、在外体験を通して、国際的視野を持つ人材の養成にも力を入れています。世界31か国、96機関と交流協定を結び、日本人学生、研究者を学術交流協定校へ派遣する一方で、多くの外国人留学生、研究者を受け入れています。

研究面では、世界有数の乾燥地研究センター、世界最大級の遺伝資源を持つ菌類きのこ遺伝資源研究センター、創薬や再生医療分野に取り組む染色体工学研究センターなどの特色ある研究施設を持ち、新知見を世界に発信しています。最近では全学で世界の乾燥地の問題に取り組むこと、本学の研究力の一層の向上を図り、研究成果を社会に還元すること、さらに地域社会の課題解決とそれを志す実践力のある人材を育成することを目的に3つの機構を立ち上げ、活動を強化しました。

このように鳥取大学は「知と実践の融合」の基本理念のもと、「地域に根ざし国際的に飛躍する地(知)の拠点大学」として精力的に活動しております。

Tottori University has solved local issues, thinking about those together with local people since its predecessor schools, and has widely disseminated the knowledge acquired in the process to international society. Thus, it has made a significant contribution to not only the development of academics but world peace and welfare. By carrying on such a history and tradition, the university is devoted to education, research, and social contribution with its basic philosophy of "Fusion of Knowledge and Practice" to deepen knowledge and acquire the theory through practice activities, as well as to contribute to society ranging widely from the local community to international society.

In the education aspect, Tottori University fosters core human resources who can be active in a variety of different fields in society. Recently, we have been focusing on the cultivation of human resources who will contribute to the creation of a sustainable society and revitalize the local community. Furthermore, the university provides practical overseas training programs and short-term study abroad programs as part of its emphasis on the development of human resources with a global perspective through experience abroad. In addition, the university concluded agreements with 96 organizations in 31 countries to dispatch Japanese students and researchers to universities for academic exchanges while it accepts many foreign students and researchers.

In the research aspect, with its distinctive research facilities, such as the world-leading Arid Land Research Center, Fungus/Mushroom Resource and Research Center whose genetic resources are the world's largest, and Chromosome Engineering Research Center, which is engaged in the fields of drug discovery and regenerative medicine, Tottori University disseminates new knowledge to the world. The university recently strengthened its activities throughout the university by establishing three organizations with the aim of working to solve the issues surrounding the arid lands of the world, further improving its capabilities for research and sharing the results with society, solving issues facing the local community, and fostering human resources with practical skills who aspire to solve such issues.

Under the basic philosophy of "Fusion of Knowledge and Practice," Tottori University is working energetically as a hub for knowledge in the region, rooted in the local community, and playing an active role globally