

奈良女子大学の基本理念と教育・研究目標

Basic Principles of Nara Women's University and Goals of Education and Research

基本理念

奈良女子大学は、1908(明治41)年に設置された奈良女子高等師範学校をその前身としています。1949(昭和24)年国立学校設置法の公布により、奈良女子高等師範学校を母体として奈良女子大学が発足し、「女子の最高教育機関として、広く知識を授けるとともに、専門の学術文化を教授、研究し、その能力を展開させるとともに、学術の理論及び応用を教授、研究し、その深奥を究めて、文化の進展に寄与すること」(本学学則より)を目的として教育研究活動を行っています。

社会における女性の知的自立と知的展開能力の獲得を目指してきた奈良女子大学は、時代状況や社会の変化に柔軟に対応し、また、社会からの要請に応えていくため、2000(平成12)年に次の4つの基本理念を制定しました。

- 理念1 男女共同参画社会をリードする人材の育成
—女性の能力発現をはかり情報発信する大学へ—
- 理念2 教養教育、基礎教育の充実と専門教育の高度化
- 理念3 高度な基礎研究と学際研究の追求
- 理念4 開かれた大学
—国際交流の推進と地域・社会への貢献—

教育目標

本学は、学生個々の適性・能力を最大限に引き出し、深い学識を備え、情緒豊かで品位ある人材を育成する。

また、さまざまな事象を総合的に理解・判断した上で、目的意識を持って主体的に行動し、社会をリードする人材を育成する。

- 目標1 人間性を涵養する教育
質の高い教養教育を行うことにより、幅広い教養と豊かな人間性を備えた人材を育成する。
- 目標2 創造性を生み出す教育
各専門分野間で連携のとれた教育を行うことにより、深い専門性を身につけた創造性豊かな人材を育成する。
- 目標3 専門性を深める大学院教育
女性が能力を発現しやすい環境の下で高度な専門教育を行い、創造的能力を備えた高度専門職業人および研究者を育成する。
- 目標4 社会で貢献できる人材を育成する教育
1) 男女共同参画社会の実現に貢献できる人材を育成する。
2) アジア諸国をはじめとする国際社会及び地域社会に貢献できる人材を育成する。

研究目標

本学は、学問研究の自由のもとに真理を探究し、長期的視点に立った研究を通じて社会・文化の発展に寄与することを目指す。

研究活動を通じて生み出した知的成果をもとに、知の拠点を形成するとともに、その知的成果を社会に向かって発信する。

- 目標1 個性的で独創性豊かな研究の推進
深い洞察に基づく個性的で独創性豊かな研究を推進する。
- 目標2 基礎研究および応用研究の推進
高度な基礎研究および社会や時代的要請にこたえる応用研究を推進する。
- 目標3 学際的研究の展開
各専門分野間の連携に基づき、複雑で重要な諸課題に対する学際的研究を展開する。
- 目標4 地域社会や国際交流を視野に入れた研究の推進
異なる研究分野間の協力のもとで、地域や国際社会に貢献できる研究を推進する。

Basic Principles

The Nara Women's Higher Normal School was established in 1908. 1949 saw the promulgation of the National School Establishment Law and the school was accordingly re-established as Nara Women's University, with Nara Women's Higher Normal School as its predecessor. The purpose of the institution and its academic research activities is as follows: "The University exists to provide female students with the highest learning environment. This, together with our efforts to spread knowledge and awareness, shall ensure that we will be a center of scholastic culture and research and our development will deepen our scholastic scope in professional and research terms. We will also contribute to cultural development as a whole" (from the University's academic statutes).

The intellectual independence of the woman in society is linked to the development of her intellectual abilities, and in this regard Nara Women's University is responding to the current needs of society and the changing nature of the times we live in. In 2000 four fundamental principles were put in place:

- (1) To cultivate human resources that will lead to a gender-equal society.
Towards a university that disseminates information for the empowerment of women.
- (2) To enhance liberal arts education and basic education as well as upgrading professional education.
- (3) To conduct high level basic research and to pursue interdisciplinary research.
- (4) To be an open university.
Promotion of international exchange and contribution to the regional society.

Educational Goals

The University shall strive to draw out of each student their own abilities and vocational leanings. Their educational experience will result in rounded individuals with integrity.

Moreover, our aim is to develop students into individuals that can play a leading role in society, who have the ability to take the initiative with a sense of purpose thanks to an overall understanding and judgmental ability.

- (1) Education that Fosters Human Qualities
Students will enjoy a well rounded, high quality education aimed at fostering human resources both broadly cultured and rich in humanity.
- (2) Education that Encourages Creativity
Every academic course and discipline, combined with challenges to their creativity, together with a profound specialization, will stand students in good stead.
- (3) A Graduate School Education leading to a Professional Expertise
The Graduate School at Nara Women's University provides a highly-specialized education in an optimum environment for women to fully develop their intellectual abilities. Our aim is to cultivate highly trained specialists and creative researchers.
- (4) An Educational Program that Fosters the Development of People Capable of Contributing to Society
1) Our aim is to cultivate human resources for a gender-equal society
2) Our graduates will contribute to their local communities and the international community as a whole, especially neighboring Asian nations.

Research Goals

At Nara Women's University, our researchers are free to pursue their quest for the truth, and research is carried out with long-term goals in mind. Our research projects also aim to contribute to the development of society and culture.

The successful findings of research projects contribute to intellectual development. These academic gains also contribute to the ongoing development of society.

- (1) The Promotion of Individual and Creative Research
Our research programs aim to promote individual endeavors, deep insights and creativity
- (2) The Promotion of Fundamental Research and Applied Research
A high standard of fundamental and applied research responds to the changing needs of society and the times.
- (3) The Development of Interdisciplinary Research
Based on the common themes that bind various different fields of research and academic endeavor, this program promotes research that covers complicated and important topics.
- (4) The Promotion of Research Projects Addressing the Local Community and International Exchange
By drawing on the cooperation of researchers across different fields, we hope to contribute to both local communities and international society.

第3期中期目標 (平成28年4月1日～平成34年3月31日)

Third Medium-term Goals

奈良女子大学は、あらゆる分野における女性の活躍を推進する男女共同参画社会を実現するための、女性リーダーの育成拠点となることを目指し、以下のことを「戦略的な中期目標」として掲げ、物事を俯瞰する能力に優れた、教養深き専門家としての女性の養成を図る。

- 1 古都奈良に立地するという恵まれた環境を活かし、奈良(大和)に発生し、大和に育まれた日本文化の特徴と世界史的価値を再発見し、それを通じて、社会や文化を内面的に見つめる力を持ったローカルかつグローバル(グローカル)に活躍できる女性リーダーの育成を目指す。
- 2 「ミッションの再定義」において「強み」とされた「基礎物理学・分子科学・基礎生物学・高エネルギー物理学」を中心に、理工系諸分野の研究を進め、同時に理工系女性リーダー育成モデルを構築する。
- 3 国立女子大学としての伝統と使命に基づき、生活や消費の側から物事を捉え研究する生活科学の発展に資し、地球温暖化をはじめ我々を取り巻く自然的、社会的環境が激変する中、その変化に対応するために、新たなライフスタイル創造の教育研究拠点を形成し、その担い手としての女性リーダーを育成する。

Nara Women's University aims to be an education center for future female leaders, with the intent to contribute to achieving a gender-equal society that promotes the expansion of women's active participation in all fields. As a cultivation hub for women to become cultured experts capable of envisioning the entire picture, the University shall pursue the following strategic medium-term objectives:

1. The University shall leverage the fortune of being located in the ancient capital of Nara in order to rediscover Japanese culture's unique qualities and historic world values, which emerged in Nara (Yamato Province) and were developed in Yamato Province. As such, the University shall aim to develop female leaders who, while holding intrinsic views of this society and culture, are able to actively participate locally and globally (glocally).
2. The University shall construct an educational model to develop female leaders in science and engineering. To do so, the university shall promote research in various science and engineering fields, particularly in "fundamental physics, molecular science, fundamental biology, and high-energy physics," which have been identified as the University's strengths under its redefined mission.
3. The University shall act in accordance with its tradition and purpose as a national women's university by contributing to the development of lifestyle science in order to understand and study matters from the lifestyle and consumer perspectives. The aim is to develop an education and research hub for new lifestyle innovations in order to address the rapidly occurring changes in our natural and social environments, most notably global warming, and to develop female leaders to spearhead such endeavors.

