

## Education Course

### ◆ Theme:

Education viable in the globalizing world: How can we foster people who can actively contribute to the globalizing society?

### ◆ Course Goal:

Given the ongoing globalization that changes our society both domestically and internationally, participating youths will analyze outstanding contributors and leaders in today's globalizing society to understand their features and characteristics. This course discussion aims to guide participating youths to engage in educational efforts viable in the globalizing society.

### ◆ Course Objectives:

Participating youths share their own country's emerging educational challenges and discuss new roles of education amid rapid globalization. They also compare their countries' educational programs designed to fulfill the needs of the globalizing society. They then make concrete plans of educational activity and human development schemes for them to engage back in their home country.

### ◆ Assignment:

Write ideas regarding the following four points on 2 pages of A4 sized paper in order to prepare for the course discussion. Bring the written document to the discussion, either as PDF data or hard copy. Obtain also photos, brochures, and/or statistical data relevant to each point and bring them to the discussion.

- (1) Identify a person around you actively contributing in globalizing society (either in domestic or international context). Explain what qualities make the person an outstanding model.
- (2) Based on your own experience, introduce one educational program that aims to develop people's competence to contribute to the globalizing society. Describe remarkable features of the program and what you gained from them. ("Educational program" is not limited to school education.)
- (3) Explain how the globalization has changed education system and policy of your country. Evaluate the outcome of those changes.
- (4) Given the situation described in item (3), choose one educational challenge or issue. Discuss to design one educational project that can meet the needs of your country, or one training program that our society needs to address.

### ◆ Institutional Visit on September 24:

Tokyo Metropolitan Kokusai High School

### ◆ Course Staff:

Advisor: Mutsuko Murakami (Lecturer, International Christian University)

Coordinator: Chihiro Watanabe

Staff: Akina Shu

Staff: Aya Honda

Staff: Yoshitaka Kinumatsu



Date/Time	Program	Venue
Sep. 23 (Wed.)		
10:45-11:45	Orientation	Narita Excel Hotel Tokyu
12:30-13:45	Welcome Lunch	
14:00-15:15	[ Course Discussion 1 ] Find the similarities / differences regarding the ideas of what is a globalizing society	
15:15-15:45	Lecture by Advisor: Ms. Mutsuko Murakami	
16:10-16:40	[ Course Discussion 2 ] Discuss what resources are needed to be a person who can actively contribute to the globalizing society, based on assignment (1)	
17:00-18:00	[ Course Discussion 3 ] Introduce one educational program and what you experienced to contribute to the globalizing society, based on assignment (2)	
19:00-21:00	Exchange Dinner	
Sep. 24 (Thu.)		
7:30	Travel to Institutional Visit Site by bus	Tokyo Metropolitan Kokusai High School
9:20-13:20	Institutional Visit : Tokyo Metropolitan Kokusai High School • Class visit • Discussion with students, cultural exchange and lunch	
15:00-15:30	[ Course Discussion 4 ] • Share comments regarding institutional visit • Discuss how globalization changed educational system and policy in your country, based on assignment (3)	Narita Excel Hotel Tokyu
16:00-17:30	[ Course Discussion 5 ] • Design an educational project or a training program that your country or society needs, based on assignment (4)	
19:00-21:00	Cultural Exchange Party	
Sep. 25 (Fri.)		
9:00-10:00	[ Course Discussion 6 ] Presentation on action plans to be taken by the youths in their countries	Narita Excel Hotel Tokyu
10:30-12:00	Travel to the Hotel New Otani Tokyo by bus	Hotel New Otani Tokyo
12:00-13:00	Lunch	
13:00-15:00	Summary of Course Discussion	
15:30-16:30	Discussion Summary Presentation	
17:00-18:00	Evaluation Session	
18:30-20:00	Reception	
20:15	Leave the Hotel New Otani to National Youth Center (Japanese Youth Goodwill Mission only)	

## Mutsuko Murakami, Advisor

This year's Education Course discussion was focused on the human resource who can play an active part and contribute to the globalizing society, and we discussed what kind of elements are required for such human resource, or what sort of education is needed to nurture such human resource.

Participants from seven different countries came from different education system or quality that embraces different challenges respectively so actually they could find less similarity among them. However, through the discussion, participants were able to realize that every region, country, and community in the world were affected by the impact of globalization in each level. And in such circumstance where globalization has transformed the world with no alternative, participants had to make sure their own challenges are clear. They reconsidered the needs for actual education situation, and made a concrete action plan that they actually could get involved with to develop global human resource. This process leads to the concept "Think

Globally, Act Locally" which means "Act in local regions" based on "Global view and knowledge."

I strongly wish that when the participants come home to their respective countries, they will proceed their ways not only to become a person who can take an active role in the global society, but also they will utilize their knowledge or perspective given from the conference in various fields and engage in various activities. Even though the outcome of the discussion will not bloom immediately, by keeping the precious ideas discussed in Japan they will possibly be able to spread its root in their life or career and grow up. Participants from the same discussion course seem to have already had connected beyond borders by social media and keep on connecting globally and extend their understanding about their countries or society further. I strongly hope that youths who have met in such occasion will tackle with global issues or respective local challenges hand in hand from later on.



## Chihiro Watanabe, Coordinator

What does "Globalization" make you think of? Nowadays globalization is no longer avoidable and we are facing various challenges in such society.

In this year's Education Course, under the theme of "Education viable in the globalizing world: How can we foster people who can actively contribute to