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QREC offers advanced and comprehensive entrepreneurship education to all students at Kyushu University. It also builds partnerships with distinguished universities and institutions in Japan and abroad that are recognized for excellence in entrepreneurship education, and promotes educational and research activities through these collaborations.



Dr. ROBERT T. HUANG

Founder and Former president of SYNEX Corporation,
Honorary Doctor of Kyushu University

The Robert T. Huang Entrepreneurship Center of Kyushu University (QREC) grew out of a donation made to commemorate the centennial anniversary of Kyushu University by Dr. Robert T. Huang, a prominent alumnus of the university who has achieved significant success in the United States. That donation led to a drastic reorganization and reconstruction of the university's former Venture Business Laboratory and the establishment of the Center in December 2010 as a full-scale entrepreneurship education and research center.

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AN OVERVIEW OF QREC



MISSION



QREC fosters students to be global leaders with a desire to challenge new value creations



QREC aims to become one of the top-ranked education and research organizations in Asia.

By providing advanced entrepreneurship-related education, emphasizing students "creating the future" on their own and Kyushu University will produce world-class leaders who are independent, ambitious, globally minded, and proactive in creating new value*1.

*1: New value creation refers to the creation of innovation in the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and other fields, or in fields that integrate these fields.



QREC cultivates global leaders who will shape the future on the world stage.

QREC seeks to cultivate entrepreneurs in the broadest sense, individuals who launch new initiatives and transform society in every sector, including startups, large corporations, academia, and other fields.



QREC seeks to establish itself as a regional hub for fostering entrepreneurship.

QREC collaborates with governments, municipalities, industry, and universities in Japan and around the world to provide diverse educational programs. In addition, QREC develops and implements programs that leverage the unique strengths of each university and region to create meaningful synergies.



ACTIVITIES



QREC undertakes a range of mutually reinforcing initiatives based on the following four key pillars.



Education

QREC was the first in Japan to provide an integrated and systematic entrepreneurship education program for all students, both undergraduate and graduate.

We deliver entrepreneurship education in the broadest sense, integrating Management of Technology (MOT) and other complementary fields of study.



Social Collaboration

Practical Education Industry-Academia Collaboration

To provide interactive, experiential, and practice-oriented education, we actively collaborate with industry partners, who contribute expertise, personnel, and learning opportunities. These initiatives not only benefit Kyushu University students but also foster networks that transcend disciplinary boundaries, connecting participants with external organizations and local communities.



Research

Entrepreneurship Research and Educational Innovation for Contemporary Needs

In response to diverse and emerging developments such as business in emerging markets and social entrepreneurship, our faculty members engage in research that leverages their individual fields of expertise.



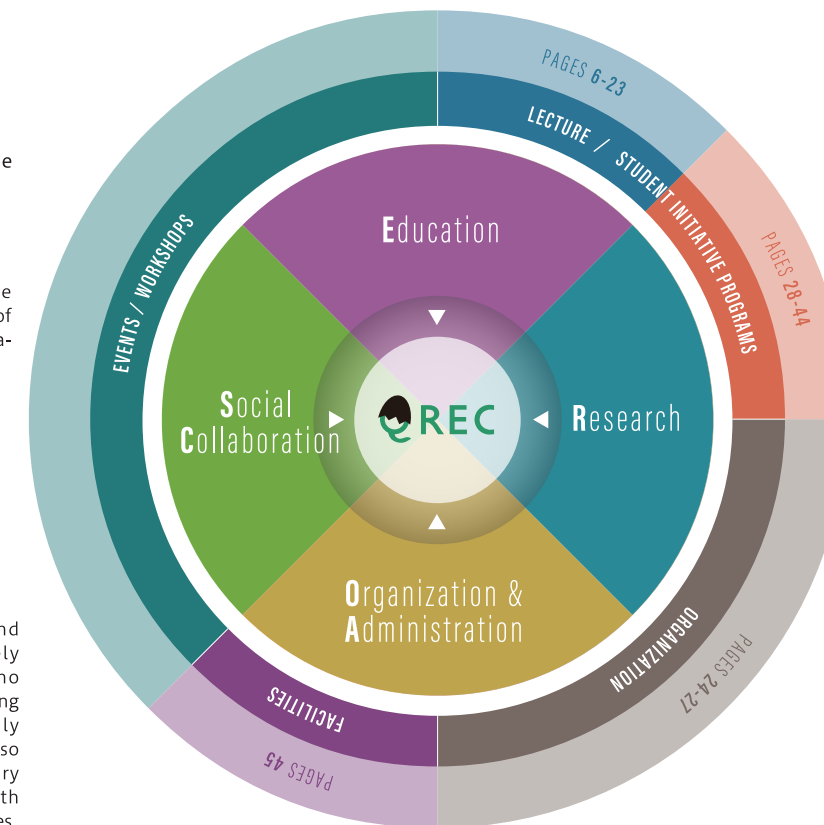
Organization & Administration

Interdisciplinarity and Diversity

We plan and implement educational programs in close collaboration with departments and faculties across the university.

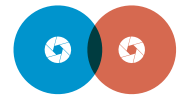
Global Perspective

We promote international education through collaboration with leading universities worldwide.





QREC Education Program

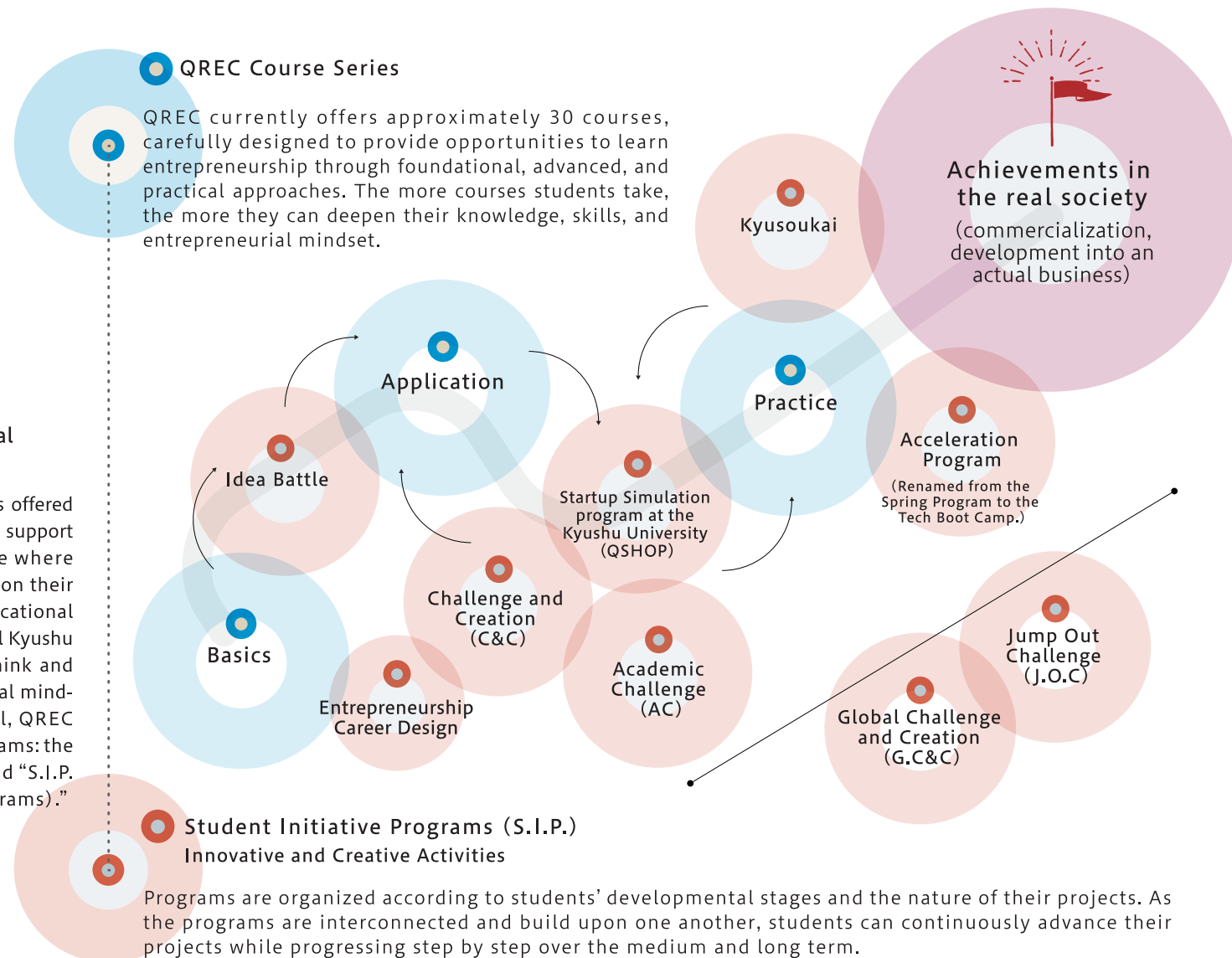


Thinking and acting with an entrepreneurial mindset

The educational programs offered by QREC are designed to support students up to the stage where they begin taking action on their own initiative. QREC Educational Programs aim to enable all Kyushu University students to think and act with an entrepreneurial mindset. To achieve this goal, QREC provides two main programs: the “QREC Course Series” and “S.I.P. (Student Initiative Programs).”

QREC Course Series

QREC currently offers approximately 30 courses, carefully designed to provide opportunities to learn entrepreneurship through foundational, advanced, and practical approaches. The more courses students take, the more they can deepen their knowledge, skills, and entrepreneurial mindset.



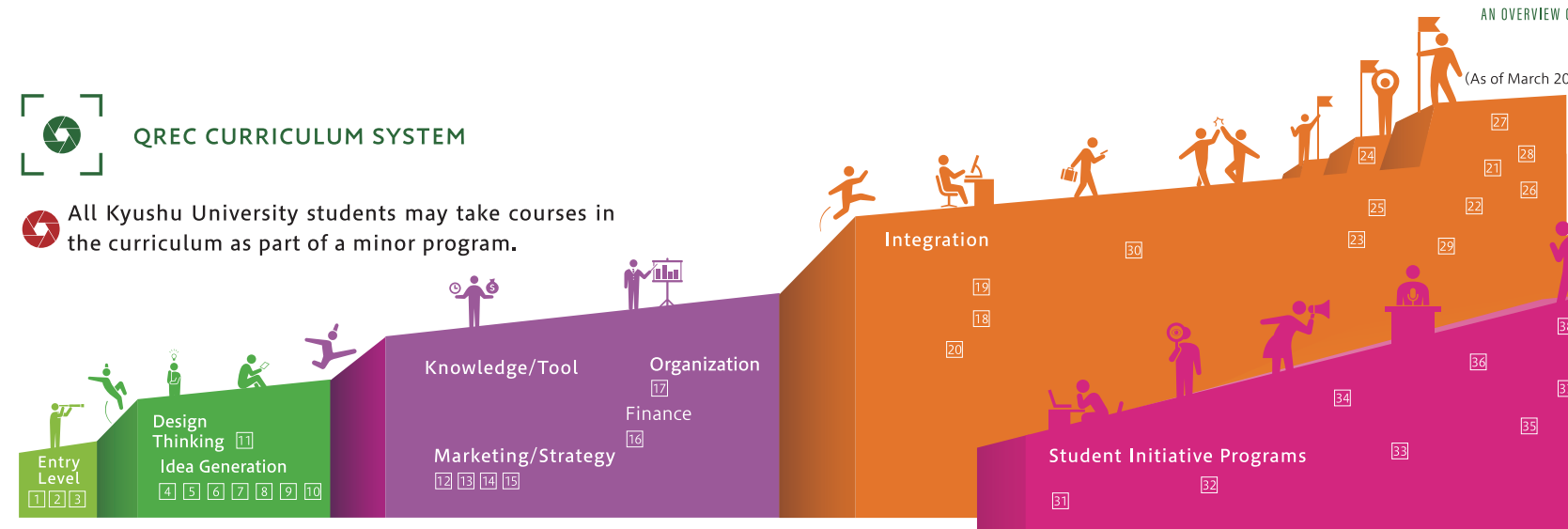
Student Initiative Programs (S.I.P.) Innovative and Creative Activities

Programs are organized according to students' developmental stages and the nature of their projects. As the programs are interconnected and build upon one another, students can continuously advance their projects while progressing step by step over the medium and long term.



QREC CURRICULUM SYSTEM

All Kyushu University students may take courses in the curriculum as part of a minor program.



Basic system subjects

● Basics ● Application ● Practice

Motivation

Education designed to make students to realize their own dreams and to notice pressure of changing the world with their own ideas.

Design Thinking

11 Introduction to Social Innovation ● ●

Idea Generation

10 Digital Fabrication with Design Thinking ●

8 Practical introduction to Data Science ● 9 Practice on Ideathon / Hackathon ●

6 Design Thinking Project ● 7 Digital Fabrication Tutorial ●

4 Entrepreneurship Career Design ● 5 Idea Lab I ●

Entry Level

3 Entrepreneurial Intention ●

2 Self-Discovery for Career Design ●

1 Introduction to Entrepreneurship ●

Knowledge/Tool

Education designed to provide knowledge for achieving ideas for resolving issues.

Organization

17 Entrepreneurship Organization ●

Finance

16 Venture Finance ●

Strategy / Marketing

Strategy

15 Technology Marketing Game in Japanese ●

14 Technology Marketing Game(English) ●

12 Innovation Management ●

Marketing

15 Entrepreneurship Marketing ●

Integrated system subjects

Integration

Education that enables students to put their knowledge and methodologies into practice and turn ideas into reality.

27 Advanced Lecture in Idea Evaluation ● 28 Classes by QBS

26 Advanced Lecture in New Value Creation ●

24 Advanced Lecture in Technology Based Entrepreneurship ● 25 Advanced Lecture in Corporate Entrepreneurship ●

22 Lean Startup ● 23 Global PBL Program ●

21 Entrepreneurship Bootcamp ●

20 Advanced Lecture in Core Competence Management ●

19 New Business Creation ●

18 Advanced Lecture in Research Skills Development (English) ●

29 QREC Internship ● 30 Global Seminar (English) ●

Student Initiative Programs

※Included Entrepreneurship Career Design(Student committee)

32 Startup Simulation program at the Kyushu University(QSHOP)

31 Idea Battle

34 Academic Challenge(AC)

33 Challenge and Creation(C&C)

36 Global Challenge and Creation(G.C&C)

35 Jump Out Challenge(J.O.C)

38 Kyusoukai

37 Acceleration Program

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LECTURE

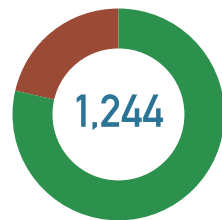


Number of
Students
attending
lectures

1,270
students

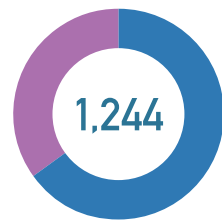


2025 COURSE DATA : NUMBER OF STUDENTS



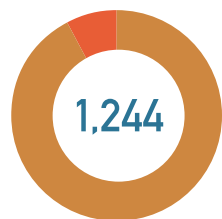
[Ratio of Undergraduate
and Graduate Students]

Undergraduates 979
Graduate students 265



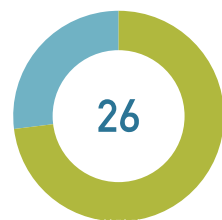
[Gender Ratio]

Men 810
Women 434



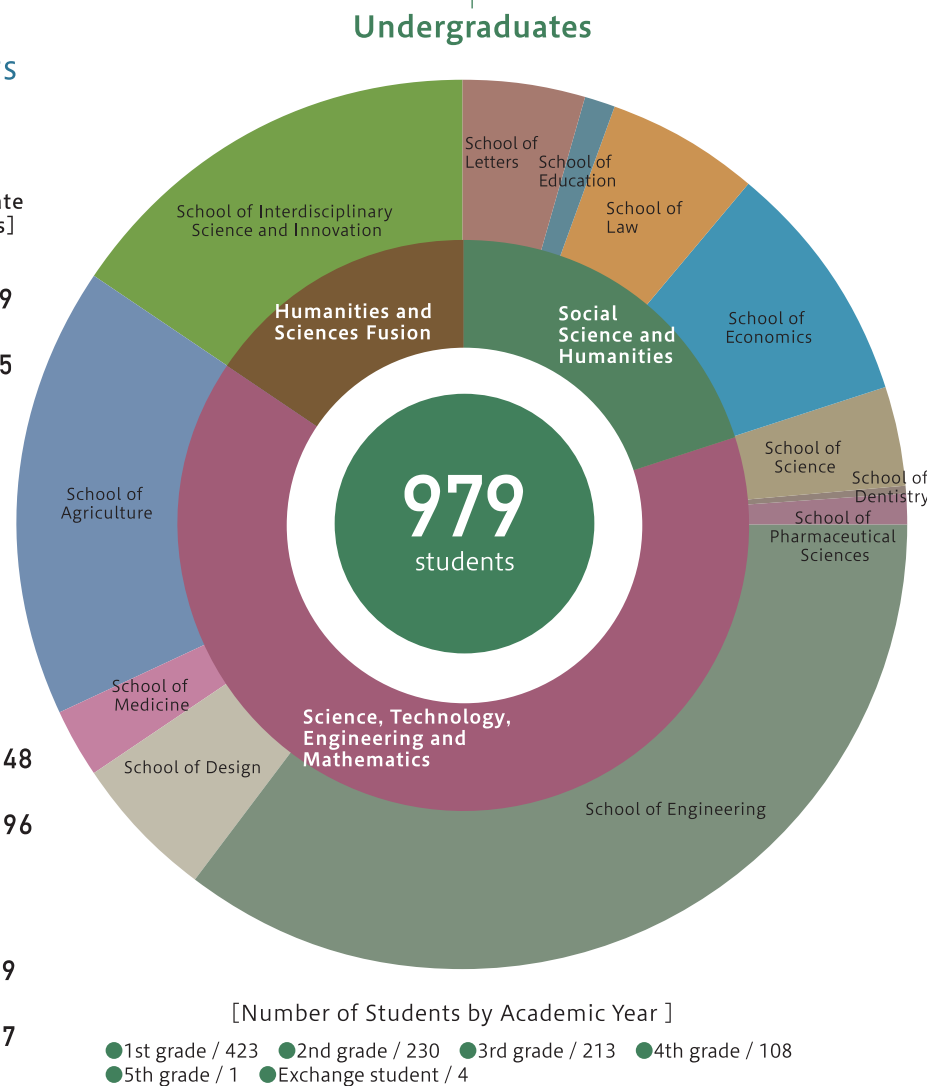
[Number of
Overseas Students]

Japanese students 1,148
Overseas students 96



[Audit Student]

Off-campus auditors 19
On-campus auditors 7



Breakdown [Undergraduates]

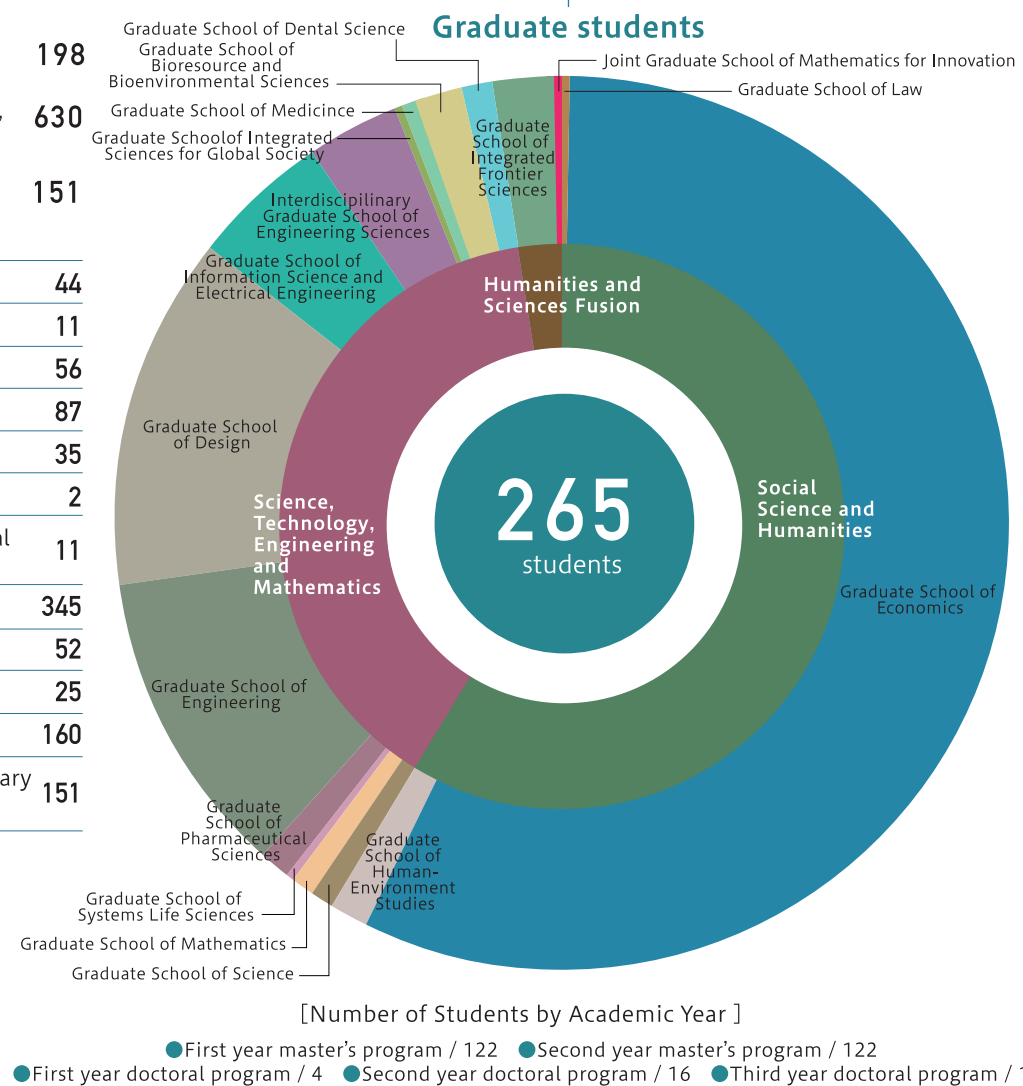
Social Science and Humanities 198
Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics 630
Humanities and Sciences Fusion 151

School of Letters 44
School of Education 11
School of Law 56
School of Economics 87
School of Science 35
School of Dentistry 2
School of Pharmaceutical Sciences 11
School of Engineering 345
School of Design 52
School of Medicine 25
School of Agriculture 160
School of Interdisciplinary Science and Innovation 151

Breakdown [Graduate students]

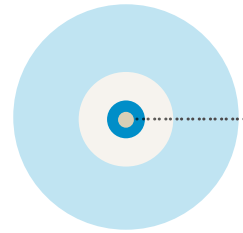
Social Science and Humanities 156
Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics 103
Humanities and Sciences Fusion 6

Graduate School of Law 1
Graduate School of Economics 151
Graduate School of Human-Environment Studies 4
Graduate School of Science 2
Graduate School of Mathematics 2
Graduate School of Systems Life Sciences 1
Graduate School of Pharmaceutical Sciences 3
Graduate School of Engineering 29
Graduate School of Design 34
Graduate School of Information Science and Electrical Engineering 13
Interdisciplinary Graduate School of Engineering Sciences 9
Graduate School of Integrated Sciences for Global Society 1
Graduate School of Medicine 2
Graduate School of Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Sciences 4
Graduate School of Dental Science 3
Graduate School of Integrated Frontier Sciences 5
Joint Graduate School of Mathematics for Innovation 1



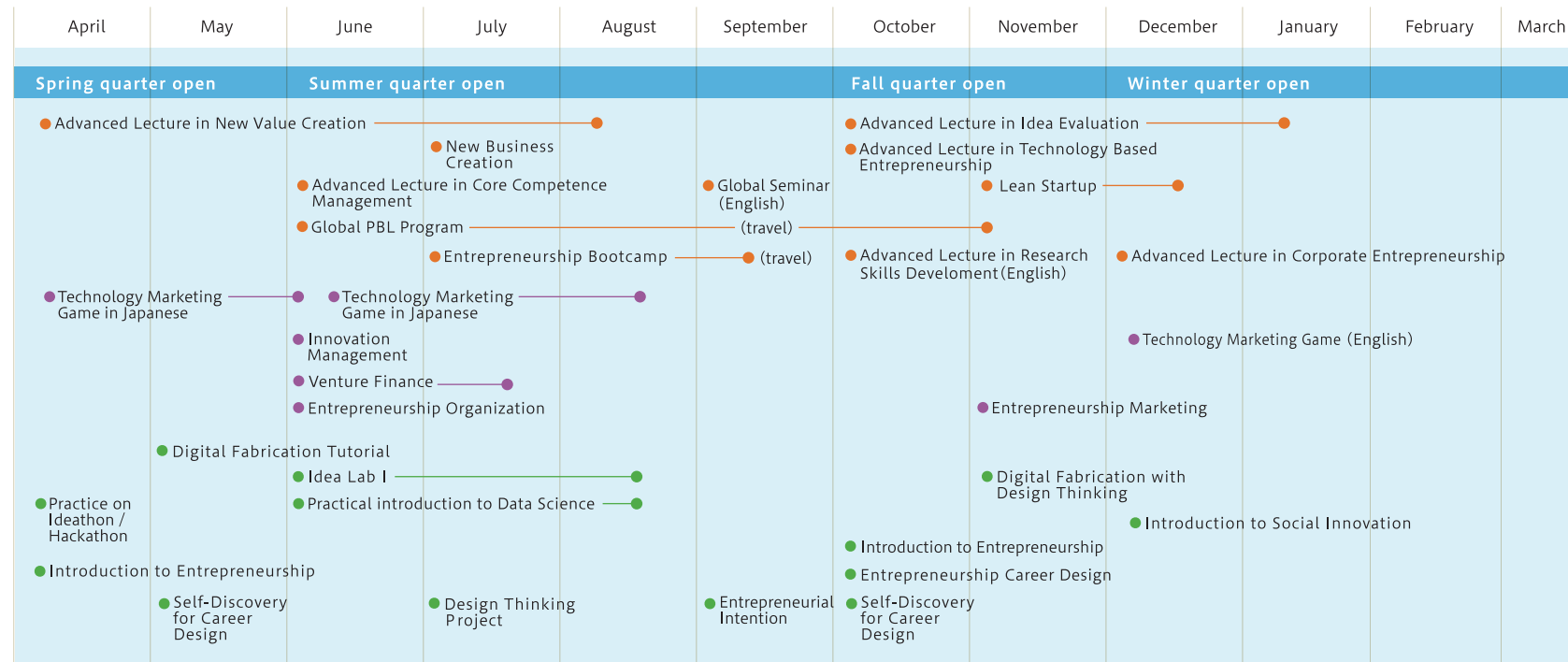


2025 SCHEDULE



The cluster of QREC courses that enable credits to be earned as official subjects.

● Motivation ● Knowledge/Tool ● Integration



LECTURE HIGHLIGHTS 1

Introduction to Entrepreneurship

[Instructor] Katsufumi Matsui / Nergui Enkhzaya / REAPRA Pte Ltd.

Motivation Entry Level

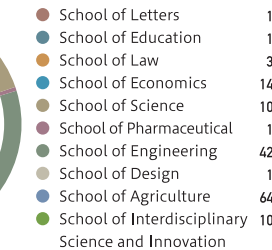
This course serves as the starting point for entrepreneurship education, where students learn the fundamentals of identifying entrepreneurial opportunities, generating ideas, and methodologies for developing those ideas into concrete concepts. Since 2021, the course has been redesigned to explore both the external and internal worlds in greater depth. In 2025, it was again offered with the cooperation of REAPRA Inc. Through reflection on their inner selves, students consider how they wish to engage with and influence the outside world. At the same time, they learn to view changes in the external environment as stimuli and reflect on how these experiences can be internalized and incorporated into their personal growth.

Lecture times:

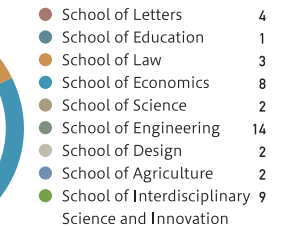
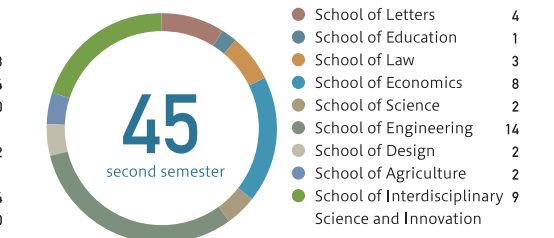
First semester
Spring quarter Wednesdays, consecutive 4th & 5th periods
4/9, 16, 23, 5/7, 14, 21, 28, 6/4

Second semester
Fall quarter Wednesdays, consecutive 4th & 5th periods
10/8, 15, 22, 29, 11/5, 12, 19, 26

Number of Students



[Off-campus auditors 1]



LECTURE
HIGHLIGHTS 2

Entrepreneurial Intention

[Instructor] Nergui Enkhzaya

In the area of entrepreneurship research, we are interested in entrepreneurship education, why people develop entrepreneurial intention, what factors are associated with this intention, and how intention moves toward entrepreneurial behavior.

In Japan, however, research and practice in this field have lagged behind those of Europe and the United States. Therefore, in 2025, we invited Dr. Norris Krueger, a leading expert in entrepreneurship research, and Dr. Gabi Kaffka, who mainly led the teaching, to conduct a practical program on the basics of cutting-edge entrepreneurship education and how to make it effective.

The program included theory, practice, useful exemplars, and hands-on exercises, providing participants with practical insights into effective entrepreneurship education.

Lecture times: 9/18, 19

Number of Students



● School of Letters	2
● School of Education	1
● School of Economics	1
● School of Interdisciplinary Science and Innovation	1
● Graduate School of Human-Environment Studies	1
● Graduate School of Design	1
● Graduate School of Integrated Frontier Sciences	1

[On-campus auditors 1]
[Off-campus auditors 3]

LECTURE
HIGHLIGHTS 3/4

Idea Lab I / Introduction to Social Innovation

[Instructor] Yui Haraguchi (Visiting Associate Professor)

In Idea Lab I, students engaged in exercises to generate and validate a diverse range of ideas based on a deep understanding of the underlying nature of a problem. Through a step-by-step process, they learned and applied problem definition using design thinking, persona development with generative AI, value proposition design, effectuation, MVP development, prototyping, and hypothesis testing. Working in teams, students refined their ideas into proposals aimed at real-world implementation and social impact.

For the first guest session, we welcomed Yusuke Noguchi, Executive Coach and Representative of Tsuyunohi, who shared practical insights on launching projects based on one's own interests, curiosities, and sense of discomfort with existing situations.

In Introduction to Social Innovation, students learned through lectures and group work the foundations for reexamining social issues from diverse perspectives and developing more inclusive and implementable solutions. In particular, this year's course incorporated the perspective of Gendered Innovations, enabling students to deepen their understanding of biases and stakeholder perspectives that are often overlooked in research, technology development, and business innovation. For the first class session, we invited Anzu Honda of the Blend Gendered Innovations Initiative to deliver a guest lecture. In the final session, Chika Ezure, CEO of Blend and Pillow Inc., provided feedback and comments on the students' final presentations.

Lecture times:

【Idea Lab I】 Wednesdays, consecutive 4th & 5th periods
6/11, 18, 25, 7/2, 9, 16, 23, 30

【Introduction to Social Innovation】 Wednesdays, consecutive 4th & 5th periods
12/10, 17, 24, 1/7, 14, 21, 28, 2/4

Number of Students



● School of Education	1
● School of Law	2
● School of Economics	7
● School of Science	2
● School of Pharmaceutical Science	1
● School of Engineering	18
● School of Design	6
● School of Medicine	1
● School of Agriculture	47
● School of Interdisciplinary Science and Innovation	5



● School of Law	1
● School of Economics	2
● School of Engineering	2
● School of Medicine	1
● School of Interdisciplinary Science and Innovation	9

Student affiliation as of 2025



LECTURE
HIGHLIGHTS 5

Technology Marketing Game

[Instructor] Kosuke Kaneko / Yuka Watanabe / Nergui Enkhzaya

Using “MarkStrat,” a business simulation game developed by INSEAD in France—one of the world’s leading MBA programs—participants, divided into teams of about six, competed against each other to achieve the highest stock prices within the game.

By repeatedly going through the process of learning basic business frameworks, interpreting the market data presented in the simulation, discussing and making decisions within their teams, and reflecting on that process, participants gained practical knowledge of a wide range of business fundamentals—including not only marketing but also finance and strategy—as well as skills such as leadership and teamwork. On the final day of the course, teams delivered their final presentations, and evaluations of their performance were announced.

Technology Marketing Game in Japanese

※Courses offered by the School of Engineering: Technology Marketing

<Spring quarter>

Wednesdays, consecutive 4th & 5th periods

4/9, 16, 23, 5/7, 14, 21, 28, 6/4

<Summer quarter>

Wednesdays, consecutive 4th & 5th periods

6/11, 18, 25, 7/2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Technology Marketing Game (English)

<Winter quarter>

Wednesdays, consecutive 4th & 5th periods

12/10, 17, 24, 1/7, 14, 21, 28, 2/4

Number of Students

233

● School of Letters	1	● Graduate School of Mathematics	1
● School of Law	2	● Graduate School of Design	2
● School of Economics	3	● Graduate School of Information Science and Electrical Engineering	4
● School of Science	1	● Graduate School of Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Sciences	1
● School of Engineering	209	● Graduate School of Integrated Frontier Sciences	1
● School of Agriculture	1		
● School of Interdisciplinary Science and Innovation	4		
● Graduate School of Law	1		
● Graduate School of Economics	2		

LECTURE
HIGHLIGHTS 6

Global Seminar (English)

[Instructor] Nergui Enkhzaya

Integration

We invited Professor Diamanto Politis from Lund University in Sweden, which is internationally renowned for its research and education in the field of entrepreneurship. Professor Politis is a professor at the university and serves as the director of the Sten K. Johnson Centre for Entrepreneurship. During the Global Seminar, participants explored the concepts and definitions of entrepreneurship, global perspectives, the entrepreneurial process, decision-making, and learning as an entrepreneur. By integrating theoretical knowledge with practical perspectives, participants deepened their understanding of entrepreneurship through self-reflection and peer learning.

●First semester, Intensive Course:9/22 (Mon), 23 (Tue)

●Place: JR Hakata City

Number of Students

13

● School of Letters	1	● Graduate School of Economics	5
● School of Economics	1	● Graduate School of Science	1
● School of Engineering	1	● Interdisciplinary Graduate School of Engineering Sciences	2
● School of Agriculture	1		
● School of Interdisciplinary Science and Innovation	1		



LECTURE
HIGHLIGHTS 7

Advanced Lecture in Research Skills Development (English)

[Instructor] Yuichi Harada

Knowledge / Tool Strategy / Marketing



There were 21 students enrolled this academic year, one of whom was Japanese. Participants from the Ohashi and Maedashi campus also attended classes at the Chikushi campus. This year, as in previous years, I provided individual guidance to about three students in addition to the lectures to help them deepen their graduate-level research. In particular, there were many requests from students in the humanities and social sciences to establish connections with companies, and the exchanges of views with corporate representatives I know personally seemed to be helpful. Once again this year, a student from Africa shared their concerns regarding the environment and technological development, leading to an in-depth discussion on sustainable societies.

Lecture times: <Fall quarter>
Friday, consecutive 4th & 5th periods
10/3, 10, 17, 24, 11/7, 14, 21, 28

Number of Students



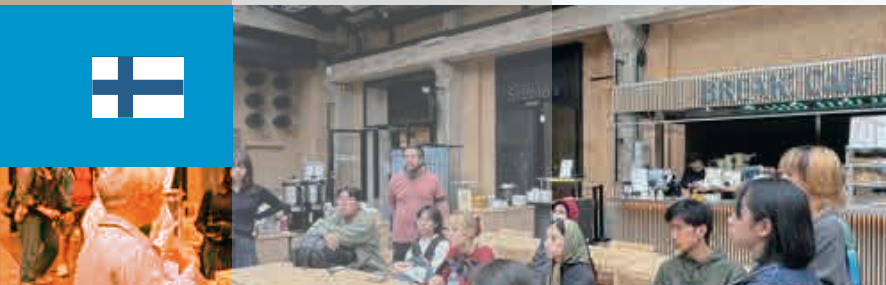
Graduate School of Economics	1
Graduate School of Human-Environment Studies	3
Graduate School of Engineering	2
Graduate School of Design	1
Graduate School of Information Science and Electrical Engineering	2
Interdisciplinary Graduate School of Engineering Sciences	6

[On-campus auditors 2]

LECTURE
HIGHLIGHTS 8

Global PBL Program

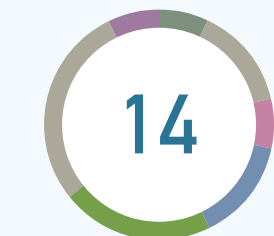
[Instructor] Yanfang Zhang / Sarantou Melanie Augusta Chilion



This program, developed through an international collaboration between the Graduate School of Design, Engineering, and Arts at Kyushu University and the Estonian Academy of Arts (EKA), aims to foster students' ability to solve international challenges, their creativity, and their capacity for social implementation through PBL (Project-Based Learning) courses that utilize design thinking and design fiction. In particular, through collaboration with QREC (Robert T.Huang Entrepreneurship Center of Kyushu University), we established a tripartite framework integrating education, research, and social implementation, providing students with a practical setting for co-creation that transcends multicultural backgrounds. The theme was "Designing Connections." In a future where family structures are changing and loneliness is becoming a global social issue, we reexamined the reconstruction of human connections from a design perspective. By confronting real-world social issues, using imagination to envision future societies, and delivering those visions to society through prototyping, we implemented this program with the goal of fostering practical knowledge while contributing to society.

Lecture times:
6/7, 14, 28, 29, 7/19, 20, 10/22-25, 11/10
Finland Training Program:
9/1 - 9/9

Number of Students



School of Engineering	1	School of Interdisciplinary Science and Innovation	3
School of Design	2	Graduate School of Design	4
School of Medicine	1	Interdisciplinary Graduate School of Engineering Sciences	1
School of Agriculture	2		



Integration

Student affiliation as of 2025

STUDY ABROAD



LECTURE HIGHLIGHTS 9

Entrepreneurship Bootcamp

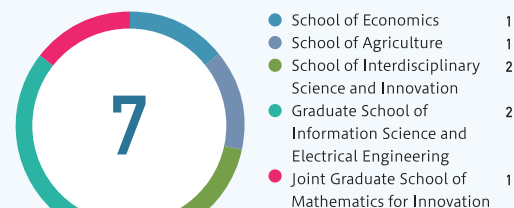
[Instructor] Kosuke Kaneko / Yuka Watanabe

In this course, we explored potential business models that could make the activities students have been engaged in—such as through the QREC program—financially sustainable. Throughout the process of developing these business models, we refined them in greater detail by gathering feedback through customer interviews and pitches. As part of this course, we conducted training sessions in Fukuoka and the United States. On the final day of the Fukuoka training, we participated in CIC Fukuoka's Thursday Gathering, where we pitched our business models to Fukuoka-based startup professionals and received feedback. During the U.S. training, we visited both the East Coast (Boston) and the West Coast (Silicon Valley), where we interacted with startup professionals to further refine our business models. In Boston, we visited universities with strong startup programs, such as Babson College, Harvard Business School, and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), and networked with startup professionals at CIC Cambridge. In Silicon Valley, we visited leading companies such as Intel, Google, and Apple; gave a pitch at Stanford University; and visited the Japan Innovation Campus to network with startup professionals.

Lecture times:

○Fukuoka 7/30、8/25、26、27、28 ○U.S. Training Program 9/2-9/10

Number of Students



[On-campus auditors 1]

Integration



LECTURE HIGHLIGHTS 10

Venture Life Challenge2025

[Instructor] Nergui Enkhzaya

Overview of Domestic Program

In the 2025 academic year, 10 CSE* students joined students from other universities in Japan. This diverse group of students—each with different nationalities, universities, and majors—formed teams and tackled challenges related to the fundamentals of business management presented by participating companies. The aim of this program is to provide students with hands-on experience in the process of confronting questions with no single correct answer, gathering various fragments of truth, and crafting solutions through trial and error.

*This program is available as a "QREC Internship" for credit if desired.

• Schedule

August 18, 2025 : Kick off Event August 19-29 : Efforts to Address the Task at Each Company
August 23 : Excursion August 24 : Team Activity August 30 : Final Presentation

Accepted companies

●Fusic Co., Ltd. ●Nulab Inc. ●ONE SWORD co., Ltd. ●Panasonic Entertainment & Communication Co., Ltd. ●PENCIL Co., Ltd.
●Persol Tempstaff Co., Ltd. ●PwC Consulting LLC ●Recruit Co., Ltd. ●teamLab Inc.
●Other CRM providers for educational institutions

Overview of Overseas Dispatch Program

Students from Kyushu University also participated in "Startup-Challenge," a program held immediately after enrollment at CSE. Joining approximately 45 freshmen, the Kyushu University students formed about 10 teams and took on the challenge of seeing how much revenue and profit they could generate in one week—including the weekend—using 200 Swedish kronor (≈3,200 yen) as seed capital. This program requires participants to cycle through a process of making immediate decisions and taking action under time pressure—without sufficient time to think—and then reflecting on the results to adjust their approach. By reflecting on the entire experience and taking a bird's-eye view of it at the end, participants can recall what they have learned, making this an experiential learning-based program.

• Schedule

June 17, 2025 : Advance training September 4-11, 2025 : Training in Sweden

*CSE: Chalmers School of Entrepreneurship a Master's Program in the development of technical entrepreneurs at Chalmers University of Technology (Gothenburg/Sweden)

Integration





Platform for All Regions of Kyushu & Okinawa for Startup ecosystem

START (University-Led Ecosystem Development Type)

The Program for Creating Startups from Advanced Research and Technology (START) was selected under the University and Ecosystem-Driven Startup Ecosystem Development Support program. QREC focused primarily on the development and operation of entrepreneurship education and talent development programs.

In response to being selected for the Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST)'s "University and Ecosystem-Driven Startup Ecosystem Development Support" program, we established the Platform for All Regions of Kyushu & Okinawa for Startup Ecosystem (PARKS). The initiative aims to build a unified startup ecosystem across Kyushu and Okinawa with strong links to Asia. Kyushu University and Kyushu Institute of Technology jointly lead the project as the principal institutions.



Lead Institutions: Kyushu University, Kyushu Institute of Technology

Collaborating Institutions: Nagasaki University, University of Kitakyushu, Saga University, Kumamoto University, Yamaguchi University, Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University, Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology, Oita University, University of Miyazaki, Kagoshima University, University of the Ryukyus, Kyushu Sangyo University, Kurume University, Daiichi University of Pharmacy, Fukuoka University, Fukuoka Institute of Technology, Nagasaki Institute of Applied Science, Kyushu Dental University, FFG Venture Business Partners (FVP) Inc, Kyushu University Open Innovation Platform Co., Ltd.

(As of March 2026)

◎Project Goal

The PARKS Entrepreneurship Support Program aims to establish 155 companies by the end of FY2026. In addition, the Entrepreneurship Human Resource Development Program aims to provide entrepreneurship education at all PARKS participating universities by the end of FY2026. In addition, PARKS aims to have 12,000 students per year participating in entrepreneurship education at all PARKS universities by the end of FY2026.

◎Business Overview

PARKS is a platform established with the aim of continuously creating university-launched startups that are customer-oriented and capable of realizing industry changes, and that should be located in the Kyushu-Okinawa region, which is the window to Asia. With Fukuoka City and Kitakyushu City, which have been selected as model cities for the startup ecosystem, as well as the Kyushu University Venture Promotion Council, as close collaborators, the platform will provide a full range of services from entrepreneurship education to startup support, with the goal of establishing PARKS Inter-University by the end of FY2026. The goal is to establish PARKS Inter-University by the end of FY2026.

PARKS will promote the creation of a startup ecosystem based on the following four pillars.

(1) Operation of programs to support entrepreneurial activities

- We provide a four-step entrepreneurship support program to seamlessly link the discovery of technology seeds that contribute to the creation of startups to the establishment of businesses through matching with entrepreneurs.
- Continuously from each university, educate and develop support personnel to realize startup creation.

(2) Development and operation of entrepreneurship human resources development programs

- With the aim of fostering faculty members involved in entrepreneurship education in the Kyushu-Okinawa region, a network of entrepreneurship educators will be established at PARKS participating universities to share knowledge and know-how related to entrepreneurship education. In addition, Faculty Development (hereinafter referred to as "FD") will be conducted in collaboration with advanced domestic and overseas organizations to develop faculty members who can implement entrepreneurship education in the Kyushu-Okinawa region.
- As entrepreneurship education for students, we will provide education that motivates and fosters awareness using an archive system. In addition, as education aimed at the formation of entrepreneurship competencies, we will provide social implementation education through PBL, etc., utilizing the unique characteristics of each university.

(3) Creating an environment for entrepreneurship

- Within this platform, we will (1) operate the PARKS archive system to link the initiatives of each university, (2) format various rules for the entrepreneurial environment, and (3) network the entrepreneurial environment of each center using ICT tools to create an environment for the creation of an all-Kyushu/Okinawa startup ecosystem.

(4) Formation and development of a hub city ecosystem

- Using both Fukuoka City and Kitakyushu City as model startup ecosystem hub cities, skills and know-how will be deployed throughout PARKS.
- We will also collaborate with Asian VC firms to provide support for startups with an eye toward expansion in Asia.



PARKS Overseas Dispatch Program

PARKS participating University students were attended overseas dispatch for Entrepreneurship Mindset and Behavior Patern training with start up related person and local students on site.

Attendees

- To Singapore: 11 Students
- To Doctoral Programs in Singapore: 5 Students
- To South Korea: 13 Students
- To Taiwan: 10 Students

Schedule

Singapore

February 26 (Thu) – March 4 (Wed), 2026 *Includes travel days

Participants visited Singapore, home to one of the world's leading startup ecosystems, and deepened their understanding of the global startup landscape through interactions with local startup stakeholders. In addition, a workshop conducted by the accelerator Reactor School provided practical methodologies and insights essential for developing business plans.

Ph.D. Program (Long-Term) in Singapore:

February 22 (Sun) – March 15 (Sun), 2026 *Includes travel days

Participants stayed in Singapore for approximately three weeks and gained hands-on experience with the local startup ecosystem. Through workshops conducted by NUS Enterprise and interactions with startup stakeholders, they developed a deeper understanding of the perspectives required for startup commercialization and acquired valuable insights into business plan development.

South Korea

March 8 (Sun) – March 11 (Wed), 2026 *Includes travel days

Participants visited South Korea's startup ecosystem and deepened their understanding of startup activities and the broader entrepreneurial ecosystem through interactions with local startup stakeholders.

Taiwan

March 8 (Sun) – March 12 (Thu), 2026 *Includes travel days

Through a collaborative workshop with students from Taiwan, participants generated and refined startup business ideas as part of an international team. By repeatedly developing their ideas and receiving feedback from local entrepreneurs, they gained practical perspectives and skills essential for advancing ventures across national borders and working effectively in global startup teams.





Research Project

At the Robert T. Huang Entrepreneurship Center at Kyushu University (QREC), a seven-year research project was launched through a generous donation from Mr. Shuhei Morofuji. The project focuses on entrepreneurship education, examining the connection between entrepreneurial intention and entrepreneurial action, as well as the relationship between these factors and educational practices, including teaching methods and classroom management.

In parallel with the launch of this project, we are planning to publish an academic journal on entrepreneurship education and to hold an international symposium annually in the coming years.



The project focuses on examining the impact of entrepreneurship education on entrepreneurial intention, and behavior, with particular emphasis on developing effective teaching methods and feedback to enhance entrepreneurship education programs. As part of this project, Dr. Norris F. Krueger, a globally recognized authority on entrepreneurial intentions research, has joined the project as a key member. Dr. Krueger is widely known for his highly cited scholarly publications and has held numerous prominent professional and public service positions throughout his career.

🔍 Through this project, we are planning to conduct the following studies:

Main Research

01 Students' Entrepreneurial Intention Research

Research team

- Dr. Norris Krueger
- Dr. Gabi Kaffka
- Assistant Prof. Enkhzaya Nergui

Areas of focus

Students' entrepreneurial intention, Meta-cognition

This study focuses on understanding how entrepreneurship education affects students' entrepreneurial intention and the development of their meta-cognition (thinking about their own thinking). It aims to explore the relationship between education and students' mindset towards entrepreneurship.

02 A Study on the Current Status and Challenges of Generative AI in Entrepreneurship Education

Research team

- Associate Prof. Katsufumi Matsui

Areas of focus

Current Status and Challenges in the Use of Generative AI

The objective is to review existing research on the intersection of entrepreneurship education and generative AI, and to identify key research themes, implications for educational practice, and future research directions. Specifically, we will analyze six studies published between 2022 and 2025 from three perspectives: key themes, implications for educational practice, and future research directions.

Sub Research

03

Research of (Running) Process

Research team

- Prof. Chikako Toma
- Assistant Prof. Enkhzaya Nergui

Areas of focus

Observation research – Learning process

This study aims to explore the underlying reasons for the changes that occur as a result of entrepreneurship education interventions. It seeks to identify the mechanisms or processes through which education influences students' attitudes, beliefs, or behaviors.

04

Behavior Research

Research team

- Prof. Megumi Takata
- Assistant Prof. Yuka Watanabe

Areas of focus

Follow-up on alumni's behavior – Longitudinal research

This study focuses on examining whether the effects of entrepreneurship education last long enough to influence students' behavior beyond their academic years. By following up with alumni activities, we aim to assess the long-term impact of education on entrepreneurial behavior and identify the types of programs that have the most significant influence.

05

Team Research

Research team

- Associate Prof. Kosuke Kaneko

Areas of focus

Team behavior

This study focuses on investigating team behavior in the new venture creation process, rather than individual behavior. The research aims to understand how teams collaborate, make decisions, and navigate the challenges associated with starting a new venture.

06

A Study on the Stability of Entrepreneurial Intentions Following Entrepreneurship Education

Research team

- Associate Prof. Katsufumi Matsui
- Assistant Prof. Nergui Enkhzaya

Areas of focus

Stability of Students' Intentions to Start a Business

The objective of this study is to investigate the extent to which entrepreneurial intentions enhanced through entrepreneurship education are sustained over a six-month period following program completion. Specifically, by comparing an intervention group with a control group and analyzing data collected at three time points, pre-program, post-program, and six months after program completion, this study examines the sustainability of the effects of entrepreneurship education on entrepreneurial intention. The study also examines how entrepreneurial behaviors undertaken during the six months following program completion are associated with the maintenance of entrepreneurial intention.

07

Research on the Entrepreneurship Ecosystem

Research team

- Assistant Prof. Yuka Watanabe

Areas of focus

Entrepreneurship Ecosystem

The objective is to clarify the role of universities in regional innovation systems, focusing on university-led high-tech entrepreneurship ecosystems in East Asia. In particular, by comparing Fukuoka and Hsinchu (Taiwan), we will examine how universities shape these ecosystems, coordinate stakeholders, and enhance their legitimacy within the region.



The 3rd International Symposium on Entrepreneurship Education in Asia

This symposium was held with the aim of advancing entrepreneurship education and research in Asia. In recent years, entrepreneurship education has been rapidly increasing around the world, but international symposiums on entrepreneurship education are mainly held in the U.S. and Europe, and there are not many examples in Asia.

Through this symposium, we aim to explore how entrepreneurship education is evolving in Asia and identify key issues for the future by creating an opportunity for researchers on entrepreneurship from around the world to gather in Asia and share discussions.

It also aims to facilitate networking among researchers and educators from around the world and serve as a platform for establishing future collaborations. In this way, we aim to share experiences on key challenges and advances in entrepreneurship education and further develop entrepreneurship research and education in Asia.

- 🌟 **Theme** Shaping the Future: Innovations, Emerging Trends and Ethics in Entrepreneurship Education
- 🌟 **Outline of the event** Date: Saturday, September 20, 2025, 10:00-18:00
Venue: Centennial Hall Kyushu University School of Medicine

Schedule Morning Session

Main Hall **[Opening Greetings]** Prof. Megumi Takata, Director of QREC
[Keynote Speech1]
Topic: CHARTING THE COURSE: THE EVOLUTION AND FUTURE CHALLENGES OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION AS A SCHOLARLY FIELD
Speaker: Dr. Diamanto Politis, Director, Sten K. Johnson Centre for Entrepreneurship; Professor in Business Administration, Lund University

Main Hall

Session 1
Theme: Innovative Pedagogies and Inclusive Practices in EE
Facilitator: Dr. Andrew Penaluna
Members: • Dr. Diamanto Politis
• Prof. Megumi Takata
• Dr. Katsufumi Matsui

[Presentation 1]
FROM OUTSIDERS TO INSIDERS: EMPOWERING UNIVERSITY EDUCATORS ACROSS DISCIPLINES THROUGH ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION
Speaker: Dr. Fufen Jin, Norwegian University of Science and Technology

[Presentation 2]
ADVANCING SDGS IN ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION: THE ROLE OF EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING PEDAGOGY IN PROMOTING SUSTAINABILITY LITERACY
Speaker: Mr. Hsuan Peng, National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University
• Mr. Zi Heng Lim, National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University

[Presentation 3]
DEMOCRATIZING ENTREPRENEURIAL LEARNING FOR AGRIENTREPRENEURS IN AFRICA: THE EMERGENCE OF YOUTOUBERS AS ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATORS
Speaker: Ms. Aretha Afari Amoah, Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University

Hall 3

Session 2
Theme: Holistic Approaches to Entrepreneurial Mindset Development
Facilitator: Dr. Foo Maw Der
Members: • Dr. Gabi Kaffka
• Dr. Kosuke Kaneko
• Assistant Prof. Yuka Watanabe

[Presentation 1]
INTEGRATING RELIGIOUS VALUES INTO ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION: A CASE STUDY OF ISLAMIC BOARDING SCHOOLS IN INDONESIA
Speaker: Mr. Aris Kusumo Diantoro, National Yang-Ming Chiao Tung University

[Presentation 2]
ANALYSIS OF FLOW EXPERIENCE AND HEART RATE MEASURED IN THE STARTUP WEEKEND PROGRAM
Speaker: Dr. Noriko Taji, Hosei University

[Presentation 3]
ENHANCING ENTREPRENEURIAL SUSTAINABILITY MINDSET THROUGH SDGS-INTEGRATED COMPETITION-BASED LEARNING: A MIXED-METHODS STUDY ON CURRICULUM AND ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN
Speaker: Ms. Tsai Yu Cheng, National Yang-Ming Chiao Tung University



Afternoon Session

Main Hall

[Keynote Speech2]
Topic: SHAPING THE FUTURE: EMERGING TRENDS IN ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION
Speaker: Dr. Foo Maw Der, President's Chair Professor in Entrepreneurship, Nanyang Technological University

Main Hall

Session 3
Theme: Optimizing Entrepreneurial Learning
Facilitator: Dr. Norris Krueger
Members: • Dr. Andrew Penaluna
• Dr. Diamanto Politis
• Assistant Prof. Yuka Watanabe

[Presentation 4]
OVERCOMING THE DIFFICULTIES IN LEARNING/TEACHING ENTREPRENEURIAL APPROACHES BY GENERATING DIALOGIC INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS ON THE SPOT DURING THE ONGOING LESSONS THROUGH "FORMATIVE FIELDWORK" APPROACH
Speaker: Dr. Chikako Toma, Kyushu University

[Presentation 5]
DUAL-COURSE ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION: VENTURE PLANNING AND DECISION-MAKING THROUGH SIMULATION
Speaker: Mr. Yu-Wei Hsu, National Tsing Hua University

Main Hall

[Keynote Speech3]
Topic: AN INSIDER PERSPECTIVE: DESIGNING FRAMEWORKS FOR QUALITY-LED ENTREPRENEURIAL EDUCATION IN THE UK AND EUROPE
Speaker: Dr. Andrew Penaluna, Emeritus Professor, University of Wales Trinity Saint David; Director of the National Centre for Entrepreneurship in Education

[Ending Speech]
Speaker: Dr. Norris Krueger, Visiting Research Fellow of QREC

Hall 3

Session 4
Theme: Entrepreneurship Education: Regional Challenges and Opportunities
Facilitator: Dr. Gabi Kaffka
Members: • Prof. Megumi Takata
• Dr. Kosuke Kaneko
• Dr. Foo Maw Der

[Presentation 4]
EMERGING MINDS IN AN AI AGE: HOW UNIVERSITY STUDENTS ENVISION THE FUTURE OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP LEARNING AND ACTION
Speaker: Dr. Forhad Hossain, Sophia University

[Presentation 5]
CIVIC FUTURES THROUGH ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION: GENERATIVE AI FOR INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND CO-CREATION
Speaker: Mr. Rintaro Chujo, The University of Tokyo

[Panel Discussion]
Shaping the Future of Entrepreneurship Education: Ethical Challenges and Innovations in a Global Context
Panellist:
• Dr. Diamanto Politis, Director / Sten K. Johnson Centre for Entrepreneurship; Professor in Business Administration, Lund University
• Dr. Foo Maw Der / President's Chair Professor in Entrepreneurship, Nanyang Technological University
• Dr. Andrew Penaluna / Emeritus Professor, University of Wales Trinity Saint David; Director of the National Centre for Entrepreneurship in Education
• Dr. Kathryn Penaluna / Professor of University of Wales Trinity Saint David
Coordinator: Mr. Kosuke Kaneko / Associate Professor of QREC

[Closing Remarks]
Greetings from Mr. Kosuke Kaneko, Associate Professor, QREC

Faculty Development (FD) Program Held
Theme: Thinking like an Expert Designer – Beyond Design Thinking
Date: Sunday, September 21, 2025
Venue: Centennial Hall Kyushu University School of Medicine

[Keynote Speaker] Prof. Andy Penaluna
Professor Emeritus – University of Wales Trinity Saint David
Director – National Centre for Entrepreneurship in Education
Innovation Advisor – National Academy for Educational Leadership
Associate – Advance HE
Holder of the Queens Award for Enterprise





QREC Core Faculty Members

ORGANIZATION 1

ORGANIZATION



Megumi Takata

Director General,
Robert T. Huang Entrepreneurship
Center
Professor,
Department of Business and
Technology Management
Faculty of Economics

●Field of specialization:
University-Industry Collaboration,
Management of Technology (MOT),
Entrepreneurship

●Teach courses on:
Advanced Lecture in
Core Competence management /
Advanced Lecture in Idea Evaluation/
Advanced Lecture in New Value Creation



Yuichi Harada

Professor, Academic Research &
Industrial Collaboration Management
Office of Kyushu University

●Field of specialization:
Nanoscience and nanotechnology,
Open innovation management for
international academia and industry
research collaborations

●Teach courses on:
Advanced Lecture in Research Skills
Development in English /
Innovation Management /
Practical introduction to Data Science



Kosuke Kaneko

Associate Professor,
Academic Research and
Industrial Collaboration
Management Office of
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●Field of specialization:
Multimedia Informatics

●Teach a course on:
Digital Fabrication Tutorial /
Practice on Ideathon / Hackathon /
Digital Fabrication with Design Thinking /
Technology Marketing Game /
Self-Discovery for Career Design /
Entrepreneurship Bootcamp



Katsufumi Matsui

Associate Professor,
Robert T.Huang Entrepreneurship
Center

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Human-Computer Interaction

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Advanced Lecture in New Value Creation/
Advanced Lecture in Technology
Based Entrepreneurship/
Lean Startup



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Technology Marketing Game/
Entrepreneurship Bootcamp/
Advanced Lecture in New Value
Creation



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Entrepreneurial Intention/
Technology Marketing Game(English)/
QREC Internship/
Global Seminar (English)



Yasuyuki Hayama

Assistant Professor,
Faculty of Design Department of
Strategic Design

●Field of specialization:
Business Administration, Design Studies

●Teach courses on:
Design Thinking Project





QREC Lecturers(Part-Time Lecturers)

ORGANIZATION 3

ORGANIZATION



Professor
Masaki Kuroki

Ritsumeikan Univerisity
Graduate School of Technology Management
School of Business Administration

●Teach a course on:
Entrepreneurship Organization



Visiting Associate Professor
Yui Haraguchi

President, YOUI Inc.
●Teach a course on:
Idea Lab I/
Introduction to Social Innovation



Visiting Professor
Kenji Hirano

President and CEO of
Drug39 Co.,Ltd.
President of Segment ON2 Co.,Ltd.

●Teach a course on:
Entrepreneurship Marketing



Kazushige Hirata

President, Jicou,Inc.
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Self-Discovery for Career Design



Visiting Professor
Masataka Sugimoto

Senior Managing Executive Officer
Senior Partner

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New Business Creation/
Advanced Lecture in Corporate
Entrepreneurship



Visiting Associate Professor
Hironori Kitagawa

Executive Vice President, Slogan Inc.
Certified Public Accountant,
Certified Tax Accountant
●Teach a course on:
Venture Finance

(As of March 2026)



QREC Advisory Committee Members

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Shuhei Morofuji Founder & CEO, Reapra Pte Ltd.	

(As of March 2026)



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Hisao Takekuma Dean, Faculty of Human- Environment Studies	Takeru Nose Dean, Faculty of Arts and Science
Motoji Yamamoto Dean, Graduate School of Engineering	Shinji Ohnishi Professor, Academic Research and Industrial Collaboration Management Office of Kyushu University
Kenichi Tanoue Dean, Graduate School of Design	Takehiko Ogi Professor, Department of Business and Technology Management Faculty of Economics
Makoto Yokoo Dean, Graduate School of Information Science and Electrical Engineering	

(As of March 2026)



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S.I.P. Student Initiative Programs

In addition to credit-earning classes, QREC offers another pillar of the program, which provides students with opportunities for practical work. Regardless of department, major, individual or group, Kyushu University students are invited to apply for projects, and if selected, they can work toward the realization of their own ideas and plans under the support of QREC.

- Kyusoukai
- Acceleration Program
Name Change from the Spring Program "Tech Bootcamp"
- Challenge and Creation (C&C)
- Startup Simulation Program at the Kyushu University (QSHOP)
- Entrepreneurship Career Design
- Idea Battle (IB)
- Academic Challenge (AC)
- Global Challenge and Creation (G.C&C)
- Jump Out Challenge (J.O.C)



Overview/
Total of program participants



State of activities thus far

STUDENT INITIATIVE PROGRAMS

Students took on the following distinctive programs step by step, leading to receiving an award and starting ups.

TECO Green Tech Contest

2013
2014

Challenge and
Creation (C&C)

Development of a new rotary
wind tunnel capable of reproducing
fluctuations in wind direction

2013, 2014
Grand Prize

2014
2015

Global Challenge and
Creation (G.C&C)

The Minimization of effect from wind
direction fluctuation on wind turbines

2015 Best
Technology Award



2015

Challenge and
Creation (C&C)

Wind Turbine
Innovation Project

2015
Grand Prize

2016

Global Challenge and
Creation (G.C&C)

Wind Turbine
Innovation Project

2016
Silver Medal Prize Award



The first ventures
business launched
from QREC arrives



2016

Challenge and
Creation (C&C)

The Game Meat Project of
Kyushu University

2016
Grand Prize



2017

Challenge and
Creation (C&C)

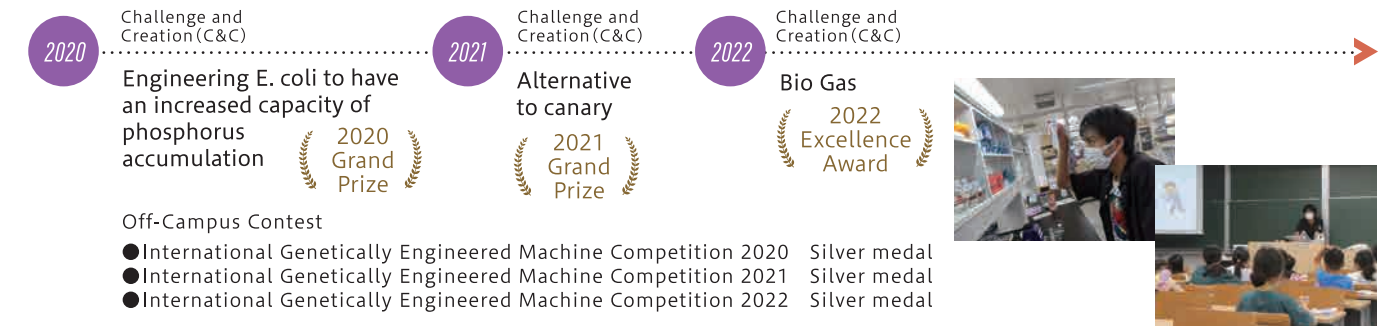
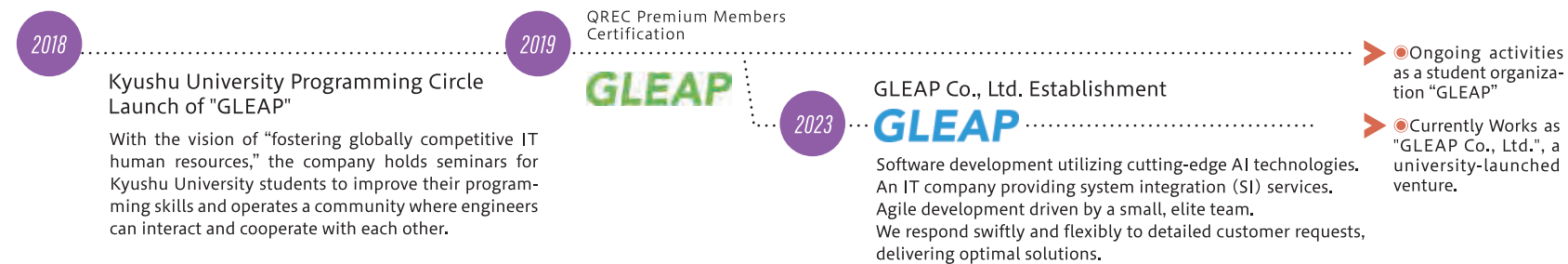
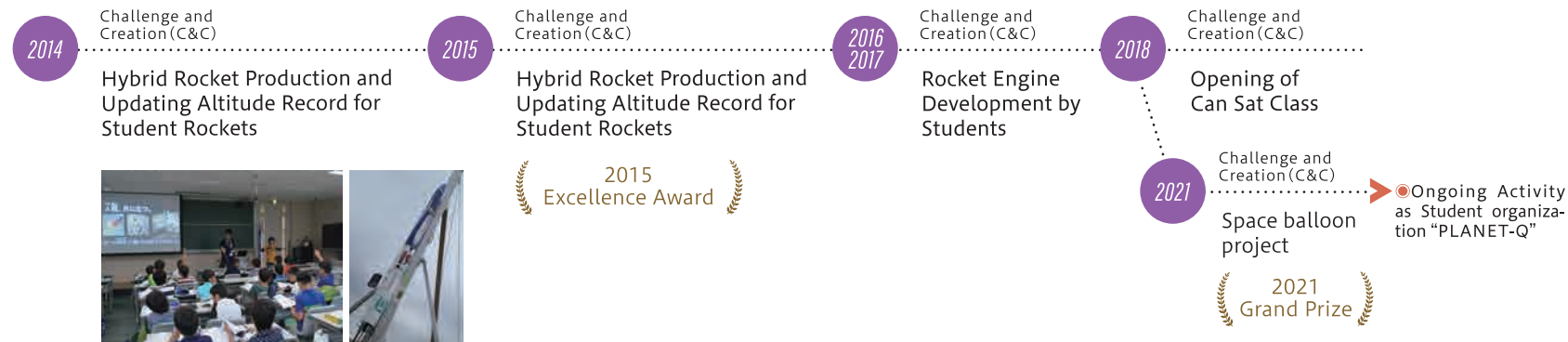
Project to Develop Software for the Pathological
image Diagnosis through Deep Learning

- Winner in Live Sharks Tank® Episode 53.
- A second prize in Asian Night which is Pitch Event by Promising Asian Startups.

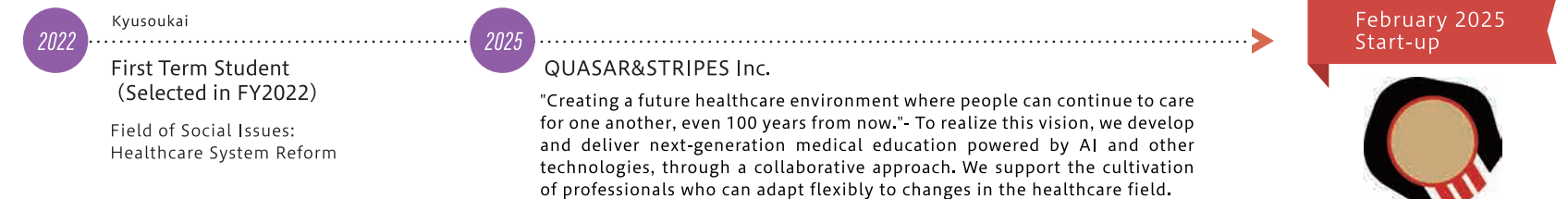
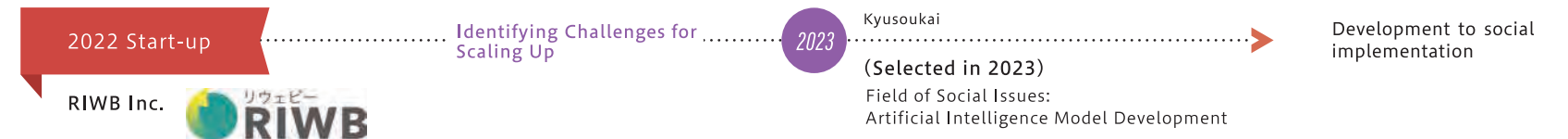


The first ventures
business launched
from the Startup
Club arrives





Ongoing Activities as Student Organization "Gene Rate"



■ Executive Officer, Co-Founder of **iQ Lab**, imago co. ltd.



■ **Teleport Inc.**
Director, Co-Founder

Recognizing Challenges for Scaling Up

2023

Kyusoukai

**Second Term Students
(Selected in 2023)**

Field of Social Issues:
Tuition-Free Education Project

- Preparation for social implementation have been completed, and the project has now entered the operational phase.
- We are now embarking on our next theme: launching a generation AI startup.

2023

QREC Acceleration Program Pilot version

Elegant automatic watering machine specialized for bonsai

2023

Fukuoka Mitouteki Consortium
BonsaiIoT
~Bonsai-specific cultivation support system~

- Contest
- Double winners at Maker Faire Kyoto 2024.
- Young Maker Award Supporter's Choice
- Young Maker Award Staff's Choice



2024

Selected for the first time at Kyushu University

Information-technology Promotion Agency, Japan (IPA)
"MITOU Advanced Program"

Digital Twin of bonsai and the science of tree shape beauty



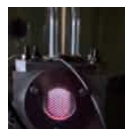
Ongoing activities as [BONSAIENCE], the science of the beauty of bonsai form.

2023

Challenge and Creation (C&C)

Development of Plasma Propulsion System Technology to Realize Very Low Earth

2023 Grand Prize



Kyusoukai

**Second Term Students
(Selected in 2023)**

Field of Social Issues:
Creating a base for the space industry

2024

Challenge and Creation (C&C)

Demand Survey and System Design Optimization for Very Low Earth Orbit Satellites

2024 Grand Prize

Selected in PARKS Startup Creation Program

Innovative Use of Microwave Electrothermal Thrusters for Ultra-low Earth Orbit

2025 Start-up

Ouranox Technologies Co., Ltd



We are working on the development of satellite thrusters with the goal of enabling the operation of satellites capable of long-term flight in ultra-low Earth orbit.

2025

- Recipient of the Fukuoka Prefecture Space-Related Business Product and Service Development Support Program
- Recipient of the Fukuoka City R&D Startup Growth Support Grant Program
- Recipient of the Japan Finance Corporation (JFC) New Business Start-up and Startup Support Loan

2023



Urbanix Co., Ltd.

The city as a stage for creativity. an urban design and strategy firm that provides research, planning, production, and implementation support for urban redevelopment, regional revitalization, and real estate utilization in Japan and overseas.

Recognizing Challenges for Scaling Up

2024

Kyusoukai

**Third Term Students
(Selected in 2024)**

Field of Social Issues:
Real Estate Technology (PropTech)

**SOCIALX ACCELERATION PROGRAM
Season 2 Grand Prize**

2024 Grand Prize

**Accelerated Social Implementation Increased Project Scale
Expansion into New Business Areas**

2024

Challenge and Creation (C&C)

Coememo

2024 Excellence Award



2024

QREC Acceleration Program 2025 Spring (QSAP02)

Coememo

2025

Challenge and Creation (C&C)

**Selected in PARKS Startup Creation Program
(Student Project Step 1)**

Development of an AI Agent Specialized for the Nursing Field Using Handwritten Text and Speech

2025 Start-up



TomoaZ K.K.
Using AI to Streamline Information Sharing Among Nurses, Aiming to Reduce Their Workload and Hospitals' Overtime Costs

2024

Idea Battle (IB) 2nd

Q-DELIVERY

2025 Start-up

basiq, Inc.



Operating a grocery delivery service. We are working to build sustainable local communities by focusing on improving access to groceries. We are working to expand the functionality of our grocery platform for those facing shopping difficulties and to strengthen our marketing efforts.

Fukuoka City Social Startup Growth Support Program: Certified

STUDENT
INITIATIVE
PROGRAMS 1

Idea Battle [IB]



Show the world your
creative and innovative
ideas!!

Idea Battle enables the suggest-
ing of more realistic projects by
providing advice from mentor
and preliminary research into
the latent needs, competitive
technologies and intellectual
property rights regarding the
creative but unrefined ideas
cradled by the students.



1st Battle

Applications:28
Selected:21

2nd Battle

Applications:16
Selected:9

- Selection Committee
Sunday, May 25, 2025
- Final Presentation
Friday, August 8, 2025
- Selection Committee
Sunday, November 9, 2025
- Final Presentation
Tuesday, February 17, 2026

Themes and number of Selected themes
for FY2025 are as follows:

Theme	Number
Information and communication technology ICT (including Web business)	13
Greentech (environmental technology)	5
Big data (statistical analysis)	0
Base Of Pyramid (BOP)	0
Agri-bio/health care	8
Others	4

Number of
participants

School of Letters	3	Graduate School of Economics	1
School of Law	2	Graduate School of Human-Environment Studies	10
School of Economics	2	Graduate School of Engineering	3
School of Science	3	Graduate School of Design	3
School of Engineering	12	Graduate School of Information Science and Electrical Engineering	4
School of Design	7		
School of Agriculture	10		
Shool of Interdisciplinary Science and Innovation	21		

STUDENT
INITIATIVE
PROGRAMS 2Challenge and
Creation [C&C]

A university-wide
effort to promote
one-year projects
aided by grants
from the Kyushu
University Fund.

With the idea of producing a
creative, challenging environ-
ment, C&C was begun in 1997
as an annual university-wide
effort designed to provide
assistance to unique ideas and
research projects planned by
Kyushu University students.
The program now epitomizes
Kyushu University's unique
approach to education.

In FY2025, eight projects were selected from a total of 31 applications.

Selected Projects	Project
(Grand Prize)	REGIS - Integrated Platform for Local Disaster Prevention and DX for Small Municipalities
(Excellence Award)	Next-generation AI-equipped bio 3D printing service center to support artificial organs
(Excellence Award)	An aircraft design platform dedicated to the boys who once flew paper planes
(Excellence Award)	Voice-to-Beat DAW
	Odor sensor using honeybee antennae
	Kyushu University Talent Agency
	Multi-level Polarization Modulation for Next-Generation Ultra-High-Speed Wireless Communication Systems
	Development of nanotechnology-based simple and rapid diagnostic techniques using disease-specific miRNA

Schedule

- Applicant Screening Session
↓ Saturday, May 17, 2025
- Mid-term Presentation
↓ Saturday, November 1, 2025
- Final Presentation
↓ Tuesday, February 17, 2026
- Award Ceremony
Tuesday, March 24, 2026
@VIP Reception Room, Shiiki Hall

External Judges

Mitsuo Koga	President	Koga Management Institute Co., Ltd.
Miki Nakayama	Press Center Reporter	The Nishinippon Shimbun Co., Ltd.
Mayumi Iritono	President and Representative director	Machi no Wa Co., Ltd.
Risa Otsuka	Economy, Tourism & Culture Bureau Startup Promotion Department (Startup & Academia Collaboration)	Fukuoka City Government
Hideki Kusano	Senior Manager	PwC Consulting LLC

(As of March 2026)

Number of
participants

School of Education	1
School of Law	1
School of Science	7
School of Engineering	4
School of Agriculture	3
Shool of Interdisciplinary Science and Innovation	2
Graduate School of Systems Life Sciences	2
Graduate School of Engineering	2
Graduate School of Design	1
Graduate School of Information Science and Electrical Engineering	6



STUDENT
INITIATIVE
PROGRAMS 3Entrepreneurship
Career DesignAn Interdisciplinary
Entrepreneurship
Education Program

For the Entrepreneurship Career Design, professionals active on frontlines of their respective fields are invited to Kyushu University to present omnibus-style guest lectures that enable students to experience "entrepreneurship" by hearing these experts speak directly and exchanging opinions with them during Q&A sessions.

The student committee members will take the lead in planning and organizing the program, including deciding on the theme, selecting and negotiating with Visiting Faculty Member, and structuring the lecture on the day of the lecture.

● Theme: A Society of Co-Creation Woven from Diversity and AI

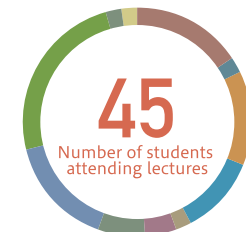
● Schedule [April-May] ● Launch of Executive Committee →
[May-September] ● Deciding the theme ● Consultations with the guest lecturers ● Making posters →
[October-November] ● Lectures by the guest lecturers according to theme

[2025 Entrepreneurship Career Design Lecture Schedule]

Date	Guest Lecturer / Affiliation
Day 1: 10/8	Guidance
Day 2: 10/15	ZACROS Corporation Researcher / Visiting Researcher at Osaka University Yuji Matsuyoshi
Day 3: 10/22	Chairman of the Board, Groove X Inc. Kumiko Sasaki
Day 4: 10/29	PENCIL Co., Ltd. President/CEO Mika Kurahashi
Day 5: 11/5	Hot Real Estate Co., Ltd. Representative Director and CEO Ryo Asayama / Representative Director and COO Fumiya Sagara
Day 6: 11/12	Arthron Inc. Representative Director and CEO Hiromitsu Araki
Day 7: 11/19	KCJ GROUP INC. Business Development Department, Fukuoka Satellite Office Senior Expert Kanae Kimoto
Day 8: 11/26	Aquponi Inc. Representative Director Kengo Hamada

(As of November 2025)

● Number of Students
5 students committee



● School of Letters	7
● School of Education	1
● School of Law	6
● School of Economics	5
● School of Sciences	1
● School of Pharmaceutical Sciences	2
● School of Engineering	3
● School of Agriculture	7
● School of Interdisciplinary Science and Innovation	11
● Graduate School of Engineering	1
● Graduate School of Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Sciences	1

STUDENT
INITIATIVE
PROGRAMS 4Startup
Simulation
program at
the Kyushu
University
[QSHOP]

A program for learning the fundamentals of running a company and gaining hands-on experience of operating a company

QSHOP provides an opportunity for students to learn about starting businesses and management by means of the Kyushu University Festival. As a hands-on experience of the process for starting a business using real cash, QSHOP is a project-based-learning (PBL) program.

[Teacher] Kosuke Kaneko

In fiscal year 2025, seven teams set up booths, with a total of 54 participants.

Borsch? Co., Ltd.	Authentic borscht made by a Ukrainian chef, along with beets and beet powder for sale
GCC, Inc.	Sale of Curry Rice
Kinaru Atelier	Original Knitted Accessories
Itonjiiru Co., Ltd.	Hearty Pork Miso Soup Packed with Itoshima Vegetables
Warabiya Co., Ltd. (A seminae of Professor Oishi)	Sale of Warabi Mochi Drinks
Thanks, Muscle!	Muscle Bar
Mitsubachi Co., Ltd.	Thrift Store

● Schedule

- [May] ● Participant Application Deadline
- [June] ● Rules Briefing Session
- [August] ● Product and service prototyping
- [October] ● Business plan presentation and stock price negotiation
- Company Incorporation and Registration
- [November] ● Kyushu University Festival
- [January] ● Accounting Audit
- Shareholders' Meeting
- Award Ceremony & Business Closure



In fiscal year 2025, [Borsch? Co., Ltd.] and [Kinaru Atelier] were named the winners after receiving high overall evaluations based not only on their ROE (Return on Equity) figures but also on assessments from multiple perspectives provided by tax accountants and venture capitalists.



STUDENT INITIATIVE PROGRAMS 5

Academic Challenge[AC]



A program supported with research grants for students to learn research management.

Academic Challenge(AC) is a research promotion program aimed at graduate students enrolled at Kyushu University. Students plan out their own research projects with any necessary capital provided by the university and students carrying out the actual research. The aim of the program is for students to gain valuable research management experience through this sequence of hands-on exercises.

In FY2025, seven research projects were selected from a total of 25 applications.

🌀 Theme of selected projects

Innovative Separation and Sensing Technologies of Porous Organic Crystals through a Hydrogen Bonding Framework

State Estimation of a Shape-flexible Multi-fingered Robotic Hand Using Multiple Proximity Sensors

Drug repositioning for cancer therapy based on macrophage phagocytosis activation and integrated basic/clinical/nursing research

Development of humanized BCR-bearing mouse models for unraveling the pathogenicity of autoreactive B cells and advancing targeted therapeutic strategies

Improving the Efficiency of Orthodontic Treatment through Carbonate apatite Coated Ti6Al4V mini-crews

Evaluating the Effects of Aromatherapy on Executive Functions: An EEG Study

The fabrication of free-standing lipid membrane by sacrificial layer for channel-selective CO2 separation

🌀 Schedule

- Proposal Review Tuesday, May 13, 2025 → ● Mid-term Presentation Wednesday, October 29, 2025 → ● Final Presentation Thursday, February 5, 2026



STUDENT INITIATIVE PROGRAMS 6

Jump Out Challenge [J.O.C]



Try your skill outside the university!
Try out your idea plan!

Jump Out Challenge (J.O.C) is a program designed to encourage Kyushu University students to participate in business plan competitions and project competitions held outside the university across Japan. By competing with participants from diverse backgrounds and institutions, students can better understand their own strengths and standing, broaden their perspectives, and enhance their ability to develop and implement projects effectively.



STUDENT INITIATIVE PROGRAMS 7

Global Challenge and Creation [G.C&C]

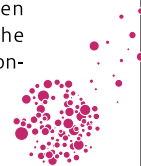


Challenging a world of globalization!
Compete with Students from Around the World!

Global Challenge & Creation (G.C&C) is a program designed to provide students with opportunities to compete with peers from around the world through international business plan competitions and to experience the process of transforming ideas into services and products that create real value for society. Through these activities, the program aims to foster and cultivate practical entrepreneurship, an innovative mindset, and a global perspective that enable students to succeed in the international arena.



- Projects Selected for Fiscal Year 2025
Tachyon
- Contests Entered
RoboCup 2025 Salvador
Awarded First Prize at the RoboCup Junior 2025 Kanto Block Competition and received three awards at the RoboCup Junior Japan Open 2025 Nagoya, qualifying for the RoboCup Junior World Championship.





Acceleration Program

Renamed from the Spring Program: Tech Boot Camp



With the aim of promoting innovation from Kyushu University, this program supports graduate students and post-doctoral researchers in the rapid (=accelerated) social implementation of their projects using their technological ideas. In a short period of 7 weeks, the program supports the acquisition of a PoC (= Proof of Concept: verification of a project before it enters prototype development) for the social implementation of the project. In addition, for teams that wish to continue their projects after the program is over, we support them in connecting to the next step of social implementation, obtaining other public funds, and obtaining external funding.

*Undergraduate students may be eligible to participate, subject to screening, if they have been accepted into other QREC programs.

2025
Summer
【QSAP03】

Project	Name	Major
Think globally, Susenji	Ryota Shiojiri	Graduate School of Information Science and Electorical Engineering
Vello	Taka Yanagi	Graduate School of Integrated Frontier Sciences
Next-generation AI-equipped bio 3D printing service center to support artificial organs	Liang Shuang	Graduate School of Systems Life Sciences
Multi-level Polarization Modulation for Next-Generation UltraHigh-Speed Wireless Communication Systems	Masato Kawano	Graduate School of Information Science and Electorical Engineering
Voice-to-Beat DAW	Ou Kaneki	School of Economics

■ Monday, August 11 (holiday)
Session1・2

Kickoff and Prototype Development / Hypothesis Testing and Interviews with Potential Customers
*Originally planned as a two-day, one-night residential program. Due to heavy rain, Sessions 1 and 2 were held online on the first day, and the program for the second day was canceled.

■ Thursday, August 21,
Session3

Prepare for the Midterm Pitch
■Speaker
・Hiroto Takeuchi, CEO, Actra Inc.
Midterm Review
■Judge
・Takanobu Jinnouchi, CEO / Planner, SEENO PROJECT INC.
・Keiichiro Higa, CEO, GLEAP Inc.
・Hiromu Nishimura, CTO, GLEAP Inc.
・Kenshin Koyama, D3 Department of Mechanical Engineering, Graduate School of Engineering, Kyushu University
・Kenta Tanizawa, D2 Graduate School of Integrated Frontier Sciences, Department of Automotive Science, Kyushu University

■ Thursday, September 18,
Session5

Acquire resources
■Speaker
・Daisuke Nose, Department Head, Fukuoka Heartnet Hospital
・Kenta Tanizawa, D2 Graduate School of Integrated Frontier Sciences, Department of Automotive Science, Kyushu University

■ Thursday, September 25,
Session6

Final Review
■Judge
・Osamu Hashimoto, CEO, 62Complex Inc.
・Hiroshi Furuhashi, Professor, Academic Research and Industry-Academia-Government Collaboration Headquarters, Kyushu University
・Yuichi Harada, Professor, Academic Research and Industry-Academia-Government Collaboration Headquarters, Kyushu University

■ Thursday, October 2,
Session7

Follow-up sessions (online)

(Affiliations are as of October 2025, in the order in which they were presented)

2026
Spring
【QSAP04】

Project	Name	Major
AunSound	Ou Kaneki	Department of Economic Engineering, School of Economics
Hydrogen Sauna	Soichiro Shin	Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics, Graduate School of Engineering
Golfary	Kim Jichul	School of Interdisciplinary Science and Innovation
AKARIDO	Yuri Hamasaki	Department of Urban and Architectural Design, Graduate School of HumanEnvironment Studies
SlideBox	Kota Akamichi	Department of Materials Science and Engineering, Faculty of Engineering

■ Wednesday, February 18,
Session1

Kickoff and Prototype Development(Prototype Development Retreat, Day 1) Location: Iikane Palette

■Speaker
・Haruki Hayashi, B4, School of Economics at Kyushu University
・Kenta Tanizawa, D2 Graduate School of Integrated Frontier Sciences, Department of Automotive Science, Kyushu University
Testing Hypotheses・Interviews with Potential Customers(Prototype Development Retreat, Day 2) Location: Iikane Palette

■ Thursday, February 19,
Session2

■Speaker
・Kenta Tanizawa, D2 Graduate School of Integrated Frontier Sciences, Department of Automotive Science, Kyushu University
Prepare for the Midterm Pitch

■ Thursday, February 26,
Session3

■Speaker
・Feiyang ZHENG, Researcher, Laboratory of Biochemical Engineering and Biotechnology, Department of Chemical Engineering, Faculty of Engineering, Kyushu University
・Shinobu Utsumi, D3, Interdisciplinary Graduate School of Engineering Sciences, Kyushu University
・Kyohei Shiota, M1, Department of Applied Qauantum Physics and Nuclear Engineering, Graduate School of Engineering, Kyushu University
Midterm Review
■Judge
・Osamu Hashimoto, CEO, 62Complex Inc.
・Naoya Matsuda, Group Leader, Business Solution Headquarters Human Resource Vitalization Division, Kyushu Electric Power Company, Incorporated
・Takanobu Jinnouchi, CEO / Planner, SEENO PROJECT INC.
・Keiichiro Higa, CEO, GLEAP Inc.
・Hiromu Nishimura, CTO, GLEAP Inc.

■ Thursday, March 5,
Session4

Feedback from VCs
■Speaker
・Hikari Hida, Western Division Advisory, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu LLC
・Taro Akase, Venture Capitalist, β venture capital
・Gaku Noguchi, Co-Founder, Teleport Inc.

■ Thursday, March 12,
Session5

Acquiring Resources and Preparing for the Final Review

■ Thursday, March 19,
Session6

■Speaker
・Tsubasa Ozawa, D2, Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics, Graduate School of Engineering, Kyushu University
・Shodai Yamagishi, Co-Founder of the Future Craft Lab and Representative, Own Feet Project

■ Thursday, March 26,
Session7

Final Review / Reception
■Judge
・Yoichiro Hamasaki, Vice President, Fusic Inc.
・Toyotaka Aoki, CEO / Registered Architect, Jindesign Co., Ltd.

■ Friday, March 27,
Session8

Follow-up Session (Online)

(Affiliations are as of March 2026, in the order in which they were presented)





Kyusoukai
Fund



Outline

Select students with clear social issues and provide focused long-term support.

Support:

○Grant support for business start-up preparation funds, 1 million yen to 2.5 million yen, paid twice a year, in October and January.

○Mentoring by Alumni entrepreneurs and faculty.

○Providing mutual learning opportunities and long-term support through community building.



About Kyusoukai

Kyusoukai was established following a generous donation to QREC from Tadahisa Kagimoto, President and Founder of HEALIOS K.K., who graduated from the Kyushu University School of Medicine. Kyusoukai is an organization of founders and entrepreneurs who graduated from Kyushu University. Its mission is to support the development of future leaders and innovators who will help shape and sustain Japan's future. Established to foster innovation from Kyushu University, Kyusoukai builds upon the foundation of QREC, which has emerged as a national leader in entrepreneurship education over the past ten years. Through Kyusoukai, experienced alumni entrepreneurs who have founded and managed their own businesses support and mentor the next generation of Kyushu University students. Starting in FY2025, the program will operate under a two-track system consisting of the General Course and the Medical, Dental, and Pharmaceutical Course. Established with support from a donation by Saisei Ventures, the new course focuses on learning through the commercialization of research seeds in the biopharmaceutical sector.



Students eligible for the fund

- (1) Students who have a deep awareness of the current situation and can immerse themselves in thinking about it from diverse perspectives.
- (2) Students who are aware of essential and major social issues that have not been solved yet and have a strong desire to "do something about it".
- (3) Students who can persistently work to solve social issues with a constructive and critical spirit, without being distracted by easy ideas and trends.
- (4) Students who are able to solve problems through collaboration; who can find colleagues to work together on things that cannot be handled by themselves.
- (5) Students who have a strong desire to grow up as human being through the activities of this fund.



Required activities

- (1) Verbalize your awareness of your own problems and define the social issues you want to solve.
- (2) Devise a solution to the problem with a wide range of free ideas, without being bound by of trends or existing frameworks.
- (3) Aiming for social implementation through business by testing hypotheses (=action) repeatedly of the solutions devised.
- (4) Ensure the continuity of activities by engaging in dialogue with various people, including Kyusoukai mentors, to gain their endorsement and specific cooperation.



Implementation Schedule for the academic year of 2025

2025/4-5	Application Period: April 7 (Mon) – May 12 (Mon), until 5:00 p.m.	Total Number of Applications General Course: 43 / Medicine, Dentistry, and Pharmacy Course: 8 Number of Selected Applicants General Course: 3 / Medical, Dental, and Pharmaceutical Course: 3
2025/5-6	Selection Period: First Round (Document Screening): Monday, May 19 Final Round (In-Person Interview) [General Course] Wednesday, June 11 [Medical, Dental, and Pharmaceutical Course] Wednesday, June 25	Selection is conducted through dialogue on matching the depth of students' awareness of social issues with solutions using business mechanisms.
2025/7	Kickoff Event: Saturday, July 19 – Sunday, July 20 @Zuibaiji-en	The Selected students and mentors met with each other and shared the overall picture of what the Kyusoukai is supporting, including its ultimate goals and objectives.
2025/7-2026/3	Mentoring: July – March	Online, in-person, etc., as needed, was coordinated between each individual and the mentor.
2025/12	Midterm Presentation: Friday, December 5	Progress of the activity will be given by the selected students and opinions and advice on future activities from the mentors and other selected students will be obtained. In addition, students will exchange opinions on how to make the fund even better.
2026/2	Annual Meetup: Sunday, February 15 – Monday, February 16 @Okinawa	Community activities of the Kyusoukai Aramnai. Current and past selected students and their mentors, who are entrepreneurs, gathered together for an exchange of ideas.
2026/3	Final Presentation: Friday, March 13	Progress of the activity will be given by the selected students and opinions and advice on future activities from the mentors and other adopters will be obtained. Confirmation of the establishment of a system to continue to support activities as a community in the future.



FY2025 Selected students' Voices

General Course

One of the greatest strengths of Kyusoukai is that it offers much more than financial support. Through conversations with mentors and fellow participants, I gained new perspectives, reflected on my project, and learned how to shape my ideas into a venture that creates value for society.

My goal is to build a partnership of equals between Ukraine and Japan through education, cultural exchange, and business, rather than a relationship based solely on aid. In addition to organizing educational exchange programs for Ukrainian high school students, I hope to develop a concierge service that will help Japanese people feel more connected to Ukraine and visit the country with confidence. The connections and experiences I gained through Kyusoukai continue to inspire me to take on new challenges.

What makes Kyusoukai truly special is that it encourages you to reflect not only on your business, but also on who you are and what you want to achieve in life.

As an entrepreneur, there are times when things go well and others when they do not. Regardless of where you are on that journey, Kyusoukai is a place where you can reflect on yourself, gain new perspectives, and keep moving forward.

Kyusoukai was founded by Kyushu University alumni entrepreneurs to support the next generation of innovators. One of the most valuable lessons I learned was to clearly define the problem I wanted to solve. Rather than focusing solely on new technologies, I learned to ask whether a problem truly needs to be solved and whose needs it addresses.

Kyusoukai also provided an environment that allowed me to reflect on my ideas at my own pace while learning from like-minded peers. Through this experience, I came to see failure as an essential part of progress—building hypotheses, taking action, testing, and improving. This mindset will continue to guide me as I work to solve social challenges.



B4, School of Science
Chechotkina Mariya



B4, School of Economics
Haruki Hayashi



D3, Graduate School of Engineering
Koyama Kenshin

Medicine, Dentistry, and Pharmacy Course

Throughout my year with Kyusoukai, I kept asking myself, "What do I really want to achieve, and am I the right person to do it?" I also reflected on how to build a sustainable business while ensuring that my work truly creates value for society.

What makes Kyusoukai unique is that its members are not only interested in entrepreneurship but are also deeply committed to examining their values, purpose, and the meaning behind their work. The discussions can be challenging, but every honest question and piece of constructive feedback has helped me grow. For anyone who wants to challenge themselves and seriously pursue what they believe in, Kyusoukai is an invaluable place to learn.

I was selected for the Medical, Dental, and Pharmaceutical Course, which was introduced during Kyusoukai's fourth year of Kyusoukai. While many of my peers were pursuing careers in pharmaceutical companies, I became interested in creating new approaches to drug discovery through entrepreneurship. My internship at a venture capital firm also made me aware of both the opportunities and challenges of deep-tech startups.

At Kyusoukai, I had the privilege of learning from mentors, including Mr. Kagimoto, as well as Mr. Saito and Mr. Wada from Saisei Ventures. Together with inspiring fellow students, they challenged me to think more deeply about my goals. Their guidance helped me develop a stronger understanding of drug discovery and the venture capital perspective. Even after completing the program, these connections remain among my greatest assets, and I would highly recommend Kyusoukai to anyone considering applying.

Kyusoukai gave me the opportunity to rethink what creates value in research. Through my work in neuroscience research, venture capital, and collaborations across academia and industry, I realized that many promising discoveries never reach society despite their scientific merit.

At Kyusoukai, I learned that the value of research depends not only on the results themselves but also on how they are translated into real-world impact. It taught me to think, from the earliest stages of research, about who will benefit and how innovation can reach society. Moving forward, I hope to combine my expertise in neuroimmunology with drug discovery and commercialization to bridge the gap between basic research and real-world impact.



B3, School of Science
Nariaki Nishimura



D2, Graduate School of Bioresource and Bioenvironmental Sciences
Yukie Noyori



D2, Graduate School of Medical Sciences
Sato Yoshidomi

(As of March 2026)

QREC Premium Members Accreditation

QREC Premium Members: A Certification Program for Student Clubs Officially Recognized by QREC
The program supports student-led activities that are carried out proactively and sustained on an ongoing basis.



Types of QREC Premium Membership

Current QREC Premium Members Accreditation Club

Type 1 | **Primus** | Accreditation for voluntary activities, on par with the best C&C award winners.
Accreditation period of 3 years.



QUSIS

A community where passionate students inspire one another, cultivate a desire to take on new challenges, and extend that spirit to society.



Kyushu University
PLANET-Q

A student organization engaged in the development of hybrid rockets, CanSats, model rockets, and space balloons. Utilizing the digital fabrication equipment at the QREC Studio, members strive to improve both vehicle performance and their engineering skills.

GLEAP

A student organization dedicated to developing globally competitive IT professionals through programming workshops and the cultivation of an engineering community.

Kyushu University
Robocon Team
KURT

Through robot design and fabrication, the organization develops technical expertise and practical engineering skills while striving to win the NHK Student Robocon and compete in the ABU Robocon.



Kyushu
Bioinformatics
Community

A student organization that connects people and fosters a culture of knowledge sharing through study sessions, networking events, and outreach activities in data analytics.



Gene Rate

Through synthetic biology research, participation in international competitions, and science communication activities, the organization works to strengthen research capabilities and promote the public understanding of science.



Kyushu University
Birdman
Team

A student organization that advances aeronautical engineering and practical manufacturing skills through the design and construction of human-powered aircraft. Through participation in the Birdman Contest, members pursue the development of innovative technologies and the transfer of technical expertise.



Kyushu University
Humanoid
Project

A student organization that develops technical expertise through the design, construction, and control of bipedal robots while promoting technical exchange through robotics competitions.

Kyushu University
Robot Technology
Research
Association

A student organization that engages in a wide range of activities, including robot development, exhibitions, and business competitions, while striving to compete and excel in engineering and manufacturing contests.



Type 2 | **Superus** |

C&C adopters and so on will be provided active mentoring and other such support. The accreditation period is one year.



Type 3 | **Primary** |

Accompanied by a voluntary application by an Idea Battle adopter or student. The period of accreditation is within the project application period (maximum 1 year).



FACILITIES



Ito Campus
Center Zone 5 7F



Ito Campus
Center Zone 6 2F

Creating with students' free ideas

Current students of Kyushu University who have been selected for Student Initiative Program (S.I.P.) projects such as Challenge & Creation (C&C) and Academic Challenge (AC), which are offered by QREC to support students' creative activities, Premium Members, Kyusoukai, and others can freely use the space for meetings and socializing.

Beginning in FY2022, we launched the QREC Open House, where BasE is open to the public every Friday and freely available for anyone to use.

We hope that this will be a place where many students gather to discuss lectures, programs, etc., and find friends. A variety of events, including lectures and workshops, are also held to provide an environment for students to develop their skills and expand their networks.



Ito Campus
Center Zone 5 7F

Students enrolled at Kyushu University who have been selected to participate in Student Initiative Programs like C&C and AC, as well as students taking QREC courses, can use the Studio if they make a reservation in advance. We set up digital machines like 3D printer in the QREC Studio.



3D Printer (AFINIA3D)



Laser machine (trotec)

Acknowledgment of Supporters

We extend our sincere gratitude to all those who have supported and endorsed the mission of QREC. Your generous contributions have made our activities possible.



Robert T. Huang Entrepreneurship Center Education and Research Fund

● Robert T. Huang

Shuhe Morofuji Fund

● Shuhe Morofuji

Kyusoukai Fund

● Hardy TS Kagimoto
● Saisei Ventures

See p. 42.

Kyushu University Fund “Support for Student Initiative Programs (S.I.P.)” Project

The program supports students' “I want to do something like this! based on their own awareness of social issues (or problems). QREC provides students with opportunities to give shape to their ideas in a more practical setting, making use of the knowledge they have acquired in their undergraduate and graduate courses.

● Masahito Sakou	'15	Law Graduates
● Tamaki Kato		Student Guardian
● Takamitsu Matsuda	'95	Engineering Graduates
● Etsuko Shigeno	'18	Engineering Graduates
● Yutaka Arakawa		Faculty Members at the Faculty of Information Science and Electrical Engineering

Kyushu University Fund “Next Generation Entrepreneur Development Fund” Project

This program supports the promotion of advanced and systematic education for the development of the next generation of entrepreneurs. We provide entrepreneurship-related education to the entire university, which is necessary to nurture leaders who actively take on the challenge of creating new value in all areas of society.

● Kenichiro Kuninobu	'05	Guraduates Graduate School of Pharmacy / Graduate School
● Hideki Kusano		Individuals outside the university



Messages from Our Supporters



● Shuhe Morofuji
CEO, REAPRA Pte Ltd.

Born in 1977. Graduated from Kyushu University, Faculty of Economics. As founder and president of SMS., he led the company's listing on the First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange and its expansion in Asia, before retiring. Founded REAPRA in Singapore in 2015. He is a founder of REAPRA, which provides learning support for the creation of industries that solve social issues that straddle generations, particularly in Asia. He also manages the Unson Foundation, a general incorporated foundation that tries to create an affluent society that looks nine generations into the future.

Hello everyone, I know that you have entered Kyushu University after a lot of study. I am sure it is important to continue your studies, but as you enter the workforce, I would like to encourage you to not only study as an input, but also to try to output your ideas to the world. I sincerely hope that through your student life you will demonstrate an entrepreneurial spirit and pioneer the future of society! I think it would be very encouraging for the students if people who are active in society and companies would support them in their entrepreneurial journey!



● Kenichiro Kuninobu
Representative Director, Co-founder & CEO FELIQS INC.
I encourage you to observe the world with curiosity, recognize the challenges that surround you, and continue to act with purpose and conviction. The experiences you gain and the people you meet at Kyushu University and QREC will become invaluable assets throughout your life. I sincerely hope that these diverse experiences and meaningful encounters will broaden your perspective, inspire you to forge your own path, and ultimately contribute to shaping the future of Japan.



● Hardy TS Kagimoto
MD, Chairman and CEO, Healios K.K

After working as an ophthalmologist at Kyushu University Hospital, he started his first university-launched bio-venture company in 2005. In February 2011, he established our company with the aim of commercializing regenerative medicine. In February 2012, he became the president of the company, and in June 2015, the company was listed on the Tokyo Stock Exchange's Mothers market. He is working to create a new industry of regenerative and cellular medicine to realize his original goal of bringing healing and hope to patients suffering from intractable diseases.

Japan remained too complacent during its peaceful era. In an age where technological colonialism dominates the world, this nation has no future without entrepreneurs capable of fighting with deep tech. Kyusoukai is a catalytic force, igniting world -changing entrepreneurship from Kyushu open your eyes. And take action. Young entrepreneurs, remember this: The flow of the times is not something to be swept away by -it is something you create. Take it to heart.



● Hideki Kusano
Work at a Consulting Firm
Learning about entrepreneurship is also an opportunity to meet new people and discover the joy of embracing new perspectives, ways of thinking, and knowledge. Through this process, you experience the excitement of continually updating and growing yourself. I believe that these kinds of mindsets and sensibilities are incredibly important in a society that is constantly evolving. With that mindset in mind, I encourage you to continue building the confidence to face future challenges in your own way. I sincerely support and look forward to your continued growth and success.

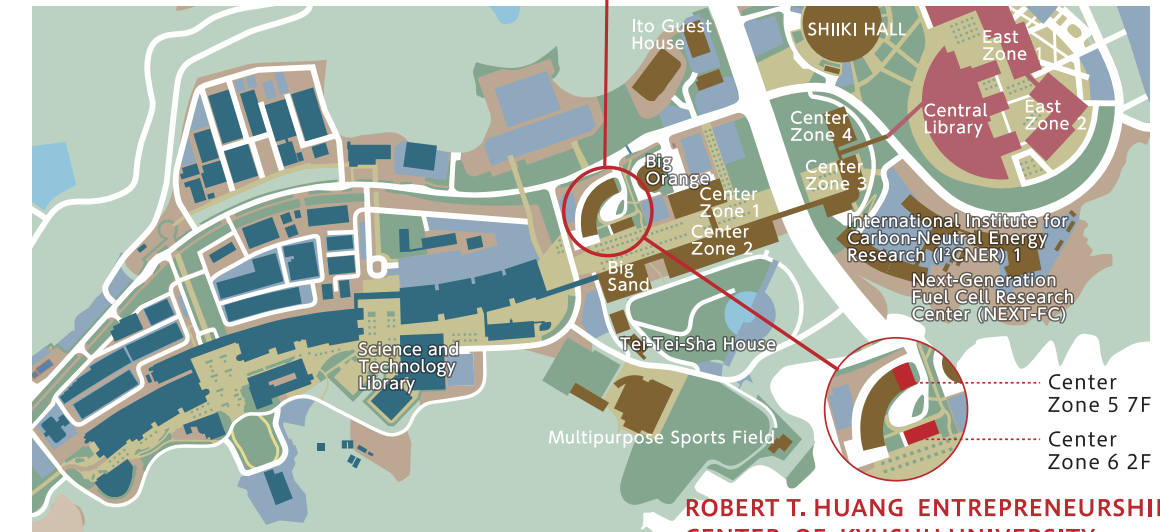
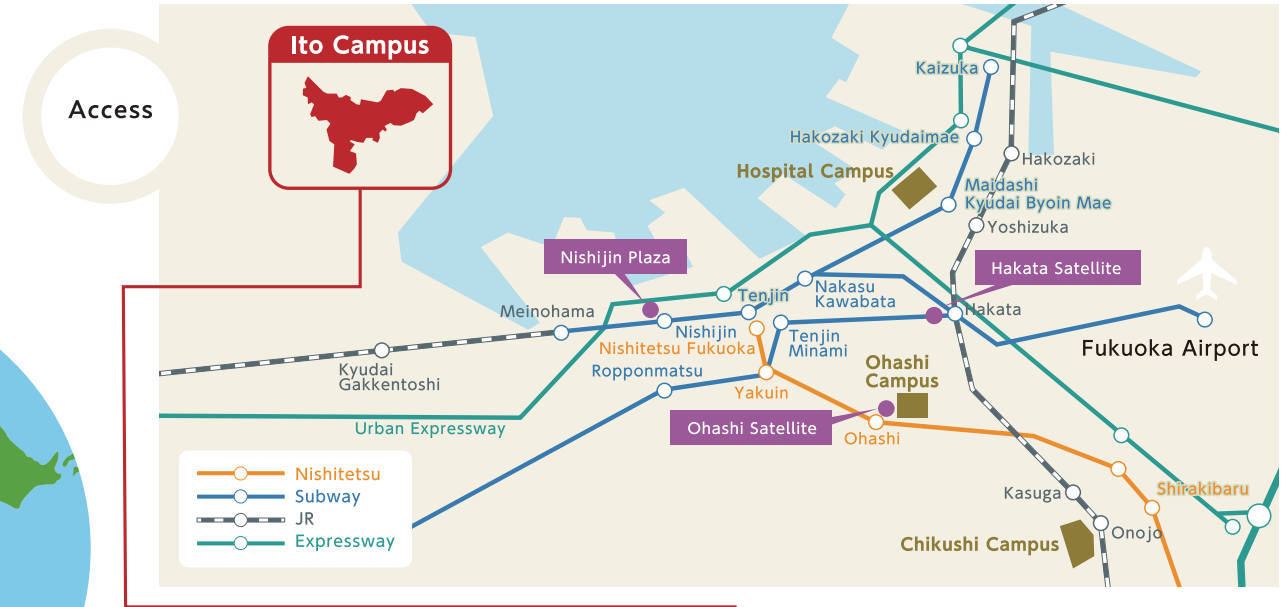


HISTORY

- 1996 • Establishment of the Venture Business Laboratory (VBL)
- 1997 • Commencement of Challenge & Creation (C&C)
- 2006 • Commencement of Kyushu University Robert T. Huang Entrepreneurship Program (QREP)
- 2010/12 • **Establishment of the Robert T. Huang Entrepreneurship Center of Kyushu University**
- 2011/4 • Commencement of formal lecture with 16 subjects initially:
the lectures have expanded to 32 subjects as of the 2019 academic year.
- 2013/6 • QREC's educational initiatives are mentioned in the 2013 White Paper on Science and Technology
- 2013/9 • Holding of a 3-day International Workshop on Entrepreneurship Education (IWEE)
- 2014/8 • Conclusion of collaboration agreement with Aalto University
• Selected by MEXT for the EDGE Program (2014~2016)
• Commencement of Global Challenge & Creation (G.C&C)
- 2014/11 • 9th Japan New Business Creation Awards, Support category Winner,
METI Minister's Award (the top award)
- 2015/9 • Conclusion of collaboration agreement with Dhaka University
• Relocated QREC office to Ito Campus
- 2016/5 • Setting up of the QREC Studio
- 2017/4 • Commencement of QREC Premium Members Accreditation
- 2017/7 • Selected by MEXT for the EDGE-NEXT Program for FY2017
- 2018/5 • Conclusion of collaboration agreement as entrepreneurship development support with New
Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization (NEDO)
- 2018/8 • Conclusion of collaboration agreement with Chalmers University of Technology
- 2019/3 • Relocated QREC office to Center 5 and 6 with expanding QREC facilities
- 2020/7 • Selected by Cabinet Office for the Creation of Startup Ecosystem Program
- 2020/12 • **10th Anniversary Establishment of the Robert T. Huang Entrepreneurship Center of Kyushu University**
- 2021/3 • Kyushu University's GAP-NEXT was selected as a university-led-type project (in the hub-city infrastructure
development category) in JST's Program of Startup Incubation from Core Research (SCORE)
- 2021/4 • Establishment of the Kyusoukai, which aims to support the development of human resources for the future
of Japan
- 2022/5 • Adopted by the Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST), a National Institute for Research and
Development, for the 'Support for the Formation of University and Ecosystem-Promoting Start-up
Ecosystems' Platform for All Regions of Kyushu & Okinawa for Startup-ecosystem (PARKS) established
Kyushu University will serve as the lead organization for the project
- 2023/12 • Held the 1st International Symposium on Entrepreneurship Education in Asia for the purpose of networking
with researchers around the world and further developing entrepreneurship research and education in Asia.
- 2024/8 • Launch full-scale "Acceleration Program," a short-term, intensive program to test hypotheses for technology
commercialization, after a pilot version in FY2023.



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