

OHKAGAKUEN UNIVERSITY (桜花学園大学)

Evaluation summary

This university has demonstrated satisfactory compliance with the standards of the Japan Institution for Higher Education Evaluation.

Standards	Evaluation result
Standard 1. Mission and Objectives, etc.	Satisfied
Standard 2. Students	Satisfied
Standard 3. Educational Curriculum	Satisfied
Standard 4. Faculty and Staff	Satisfied
Standard 5. Management, Administration and Finance	Satisfied
Standard 6. Internal Quality Assurance	Satisfied

Good practices

- The university's Entrants Selection Method-specific Policy is shown on the website, and the way that applicants are enabled to choose the selection method best suited to their individual qualities and skills is worthy of evaluation.
- The state of learning is checked through a Learning Record in the School of Early Childhood Education and Care, while in the School of Liberal Arts students reflect on their studies through a Learning Portfolio. The fact that support measures are conducted to enable students to independently learn is worthy of evaluation.
- In the School of Early Childhood Education and Care's Department of Early Childhood Education and Care, the Undergraduate Student Operations Committee, a student-led committee, holds a Meeting to Support Fourth-Year Students' Job Placement run by third-year students, and a Community Interaction Meeting run by third- and fourth-year students. These activities aimed at job placement support and professional independence are worthy of evaluation.
- Through the implementation and use of tuition mid-term feedback questionnaire, improvements in faculty members' instruction methods can be seen and it is possible to make mid-semester teaching improvements, which is worthy of evaluation.
- Questionnaires are sent to the places where graduates of the School of Early Childhood Education and Care's Department of Early Childhood Education and Care, and Department of Global Early Childhood Education are employed and responses appraised, and the diploma policy is reviewed. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.
- The Incorporated Educational Institution Ohkagakuen Regulations on the Use of Facilities are stipulated, consideration is paid to the implementation of measures to save electricity, use of groundwater and environmental conservation, an on-campus *Satoyama zone* has been developed and the university makes efforts to prevent global warming. These initiatives are worthy of

evaluation.

Recommendations for improvement

- The fill rates of total capacity of the School of Liberal Arts' Department of English and School of Early Childhood Education and Care's Department of Global Early Childhood Education are under 70% and improvements are required.
- With regard to budgets and the disposal of basic properties, which are consultative matters in which the Board of Councilors' opinion is to be sought prior to the decisions of the Board of Directors, the fact that the Board of Director is convening and taking decisions prior to the convening of the Board of Councilors requires improvements to make it compliant with Article 42 of the Private Schools Act.