

Hyogo University (兵庫大学)

Evaluation summary

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

| Standards | Evaluation result |
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| 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 student cafeteria provides breakfast for 100 yen, and this initiative is worthy of evaluation from the standpoint of not only economic student support but also health management.
- In the nursing and nursing care fields, the Center for Community-based Healthcare and Welfare Professionals provides practical interdisciplinary classes utilizing advanced equipment, achieving high educational outcomes. The Center is also open to external users, conducting care worker training and training workshops for community residents. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.
- Through class evaluation questionnaires and other means, the voices of students are reflected in the selection of faculty to receive the Hyogo University/Hyogo College Award for Good Practice, which recognizes faculty who deliver results that contribute to the improvement of education quality. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.
- As part of activities reporting, the FD (Faculty Development) ・ SD (Staff Development) Newsletter is prepared by the FD and SD Office, which operates under the direct control of the President, and regularly spreads information campus-wide about the activities in concrete detail. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.
- The university has established a campus-wide class observation system which requires all faculty staffs to open and observe their classes. This encourages all participants to mutually improve each other. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.
- The university has compiled a portable pocket-sized Earthquake Response Manual which is distributed to all students as well as faculty and staff in an effort to raise everyday disaster prevention awareness. This initiative is worthy of evaluation.
- All faculty and staff gather together every year on the anniversary of the incorporated entity's establishment, and incorporated entity-wide discussions are held through explanations by the

Chair of the Board of Directors of the management situation. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.

- The Chair of the Board of Directors and heads of all departments meet regularly once a month for a social gathering where they discuss various issues concerning education and learning as well as administration. This initiative is worthy of evaluation.
- With regard to the installation of external funds, the university holds many paid Extension College lectures and is planning to continue expanding and improving platforms for lifelong learning and recurrent education in future. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.
- The university has created the HUsystem as an original student support system based on the concept of centralizing, sharing, and utilizing information. This system not only enables faculty and staff to systematically support students' individual growth, but also achieves speedy solutions, accuracy, and cost reductions through system insourcing. These initiatives are highly worthy of evaluation.

Recommendations for improvement

- With regard to the incorporated entity's overall financial condition, the balance of school operation activity's income and expenditure is constantly overspent, and the internally retained asset ratio and the invested assets to annual current expenditure ratio continue to be low. Accordingly, early improvements are required.