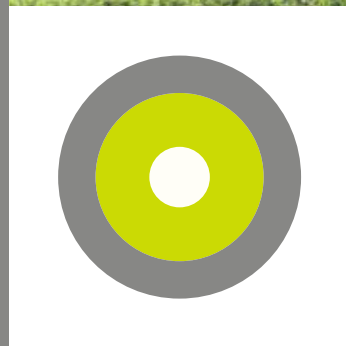
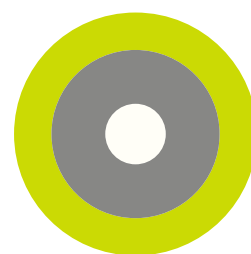


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“Forest of Creative Powers, Blaze of Challenging Spirits”

Kumamoto University(KU), a globally active research university with roots in local communities, has adopted a motto that symbolize the university's brand attributes and expresses its essential quality : “KU Spirit.”



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TOP GLOBAL UNIVERSITY PROJECT

Kumamoto University



A Leading University Cultivating Global Leaders from Kumamoto

The Future of Kumamoto University (KU) as a Global University

1 An education system highly conducive to internationalism

We are introducing a new education system that is compatible with the academic year of other countries and allows graduate students to enroll early or study abroad, and offers flexible credit transfer. Furthermore, the newly established the **College of Cross-Cultural and Multidisciplinary Studies (the College)**, which facilitates the globalization of our university education, and the **Center for Global Communications**, which belongs to the College, offers liberal arts courses in English and support Special Courses to Develop Global Elites.

2 Global atmosphere for the inclusion of international students

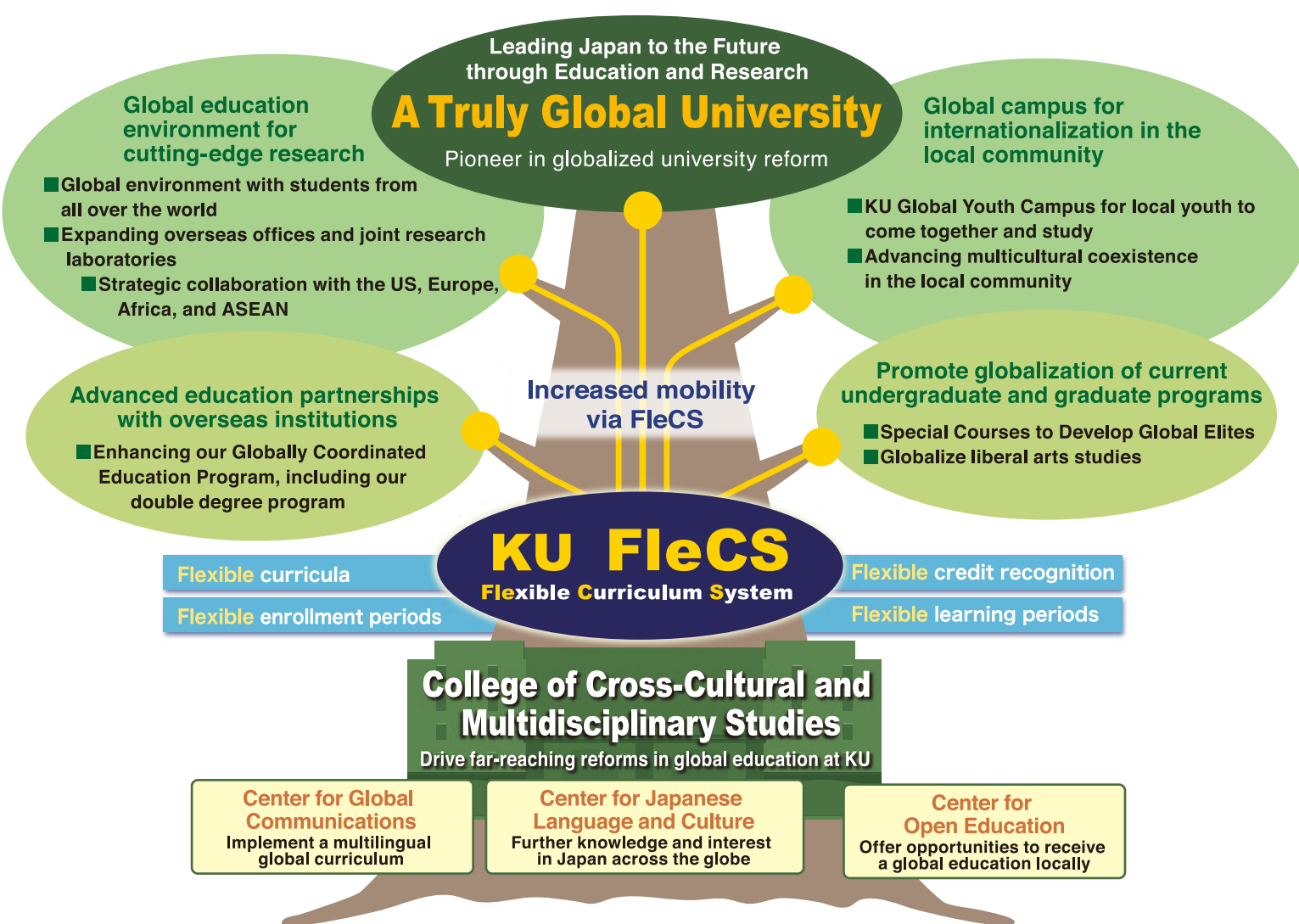
In order to enhance our high quality curriculum to students learning about Japanese language and culture, we are creating the **Center for Japanese Language and Culture** in the College to promote enrollment of international exchange students and researchers.

3 Strengthened and globalized graduate education to support cutting-edge research

We are beginning a global education program that applies to both undergraduate and graduate-level studies with the aim of educating elite graduates going on to be active throughout the world. A Globally Coordinated Education Program is also being created for the purpose of sending students abroad and to partner with universities primarily in the US and Europe to offer double degrees and support collaborative research.

4 Global campus as a driving force for internationalization in the local community

The **Center for Open Education** in the College is the core of our **KU Global Youth Campus** program. This program not only provides opportunities for local teens to receive an early global education, but also promotes globalization of local community by assisting study abroad programs.



Kumamoto University (KU) has been selected by MEXT for the 2014 Top Global University Project. Our slogan is “A Leading University Cultivating Global Leaders from Kumamoto,” and, accordingly, we aim to refine our education to shape ourselves into a truly global university. We plan to act as a driving force for globalization in Kumamoto and strive to take our place in the world as a center for research that also contributes to the community.

Great Strides

World Top Ranking University

UP!
Reputation
Top 10% Papers
International Joint Papers
International Projects
International Student Ratio
International Staff Ratio
Sponsored Research

Strengths

Three Global COEs
Molecular Embryology and Genetics, AIDS research, Pulsed Power
Advanced unique institutions
Magnesium Engineering, Bioelectronics
Contributions to the world
Public Health, Civil Infrastructure / Disaster Prevention, Marine Conservation / Hydraulic Engineering

College of Cross-Cultural and Multidisciplinary Studies

Cultivate

Global Leaders

Talented Graduates linking Kumamoto to the world

Strengths
Ideally located in the center of Kyushu

Unique education in rich nature, history, and culture

Global alliance through SUN/SixERS

Student exchange programs
Alliance networking

Unique Endeavors

College of Cross-Cultural and Multidisciplinary Studies
For the comprehensive globalization of KU
Center for Global Communications
For globalization throughout all liberal arts
Center for Japanese Language and Culture
For international students wishing to come to Japan
Center for Open Education
For globalization in the local community

Special courses to develop global elites
As a symbol of globalization of undergraduates' education
Partnership programs with overseas universities
Double and Joint Graduate Degree Programs
KU Global Youth Campus
Encourage early education of local youth

Partnered with **202** institutions in **41** countries (as of March 1st, 2016)

Initiatives of KU Global Youth Campus

- Summer school with International students
- Overseas training programs at partner universities
- Global curriculum
- Advanced curriculum

