

1. FY2023 Progress

【Higashi Nippon International University】

【Japan-US University Collaboration for Future Generation who can Contribute to Reconstruction and Revitalization】(Adopted year: FY2023)

■ Exchange Programs



〈 At the airport with host families〉

- Agreement between Vice President of HNIU and Presidents of WSU and CBC about the framework of this Japan-US exchange program on November 2023.

- 8 HNIU students 2 NIT-FC students, totally 10 students were dispatched to CBC and WSU in Hanford area on March 2024.

HNIU: Higashi Nippon International University
 NIT-FC: National Institute of Technology, Fukushima College
 WSU: Washington State University Tri-Cities
 CBC: Columbia Basin College

Student-Mobility

○ Outbound

- 10 students, very exceeded the planned 6 students were dispatched to CBC and WSU.

○ Inbound

- 5 students, exceeded the planned 4 students will be come to Fukushima.

	2023	
	Plan	Results
Outbound	6	10
Inbound		

■ Forming the University Network with Quality Assurance

- Japan – US Zoom Conference for promoting this project has been conducted once or twice a month.
- 2023 Japan – US collaborative Workshop was implemented on March 2024.
- Digital connective instruments between Japan and US were installed.
- In order to create the subject “Fukushima Hamadori Reconstruction and Revitalization”, the interviews of lecturers including various stake-holders were started.
- Special 2 lecturers were hired for this program.



Pamphlet of Fukushima Hamadori Reconstruction and Revitalization

■ Promotion of Student-Mobility Environment

Utilizing the Overseas Study Assistance System of the Japan Student Services Organization (JASSO), we also received scholarship support for dispatched students from the Fukushima Hamadori TRIDEC, a general incorporated association.

■ Internationalization of the university, Information disclosure and Publication of outcome

For the dispatch of Japanese students in the fiscal year 2023, we held a send-off ceremony in February 2024, which was also open to the media. Additionally, in June 2024 we conducted a training report session that was open to the public including the media. The event was covered by newspapers and published on the university's website.

■ Good Practices

- The 10 students dispatched to the U.S. not only studied at CBC and WSU, but also experienced American culture and customs firsthand by staying with the students and faculty members of these universities in their homes.
- We were able to hold a debriefing session on the field training in the Hanford area, which was open to the public including the media. This debriefing session was also organized as a related event to the signing ceremony for the collaborative agreement between the Fukushima Research and Education Institute (F-REI) and Educational Foundation Shouheiko overseeing HNIU.