

OTSUMA WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY (大妻女子大学)

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

- With the rapid changes of the times and social transformation, in order to re-examine the specific ideal female image that the university aims to nurture in its students, the university is expeditiously reviewing its mission and educational objectives while maintaining its founding principles following the 100th anniversary of its foundation in 2008 and 110th anniversary in 2018. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.
- Centered on the Future Development Committee—the advisory body for the Chair of the Board of Directors—mid-level and young faculty and staff are taking the core role in the deliberation process for formulating mid-term plans, including reviewing mission and educational objectives. Faculty and staff share the progress status of this planning, and are proactively involved and participating in the formulation of the university’s mission, goals, and educational targets. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.
- In accordance with the Rules Pertaining to Otsuma Women’s University Admission Officers, several admission officers are appointed from among staff members and work in collaboration with faculty members from each department and major to evaluate applicants and decide successful/unsuccessful applicants as well as formulate plans for student recruitment from a university-wide perspective, creating a fair and appropriate system for selecting entrants. This initiative is worthy of evaluation.
- In response to changes in industrial structure and social structure, an extra-curricular lecture series entitled the Otsuma Management Academy (OMA) targeting students enrolled in all faculties of Otsuma Women’s University as well as graduates and other adult women who are working

members of society is being held for the benefit of women who are and will be active in the business society, local community, and home life. This initiative is worthy of high evaluation.

○Compiled in accordance with the Otsuma Gakuin Educational Institution Risk Management Regulations, the Risk Management Manual includes a range of inventive features, such as summarizing information for each different risk level, and crisis communication training is also being implemented, thereby increasing effectiveness. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.

○As the outcome of IR (Institutional Research) activities, reports on the results of IR-related questionnaires and fact books, etc. are posted on the faculty and staff website on the university's intranet and are utilized for understanding the current situation of the university and its incorporated entity as well as implementing improvement activities. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.

Recommendations for improvement

None.