

# THE NIPPON DENTAL UNIVERSITY (日本歯科大学)

## 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

- While maintaining traditions over the many years since its establishment in 1907, the university has changed the names of undergraduate schools and graduate schools and made other efforts to adapt educational targets to changes in the times. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.
- In both Graduate Schools of Life Dentistry (Tokyo and Niigata), Interim Research Presentation Meetings and Internal English Presentation Meetings are held in order to ensure academic degree quality and research capabilities. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.
- The Graduate School of Life Dentistry at Tokyo provides instruction about the importance of intellectual property rights. This initiative is worthy of evaluation.
- The student counseling room provides counseling by appointment with a certified clinical psychologist. This initiative is worthy of evaluation.
- At the School of Life Dentistry at Tokyo, measures have been taken to ensure safety on-campus, with a disaster-preparedness center located at the entrance to the main building, security guards patrolling the facility 24 hours a day, and security cameras installed both inside and outside the buildings. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.
- At the School of Life Dentistry at Tokyo there is a skills laboratory at the university hospital where students can practice the technical skills required of dentists as well as emergency life-saving techniques. This initiative is worthy of evaluation.

- In parallel with hospital training, the university provides students with training in homecare dental practice, oral rehabilitation, and food education using facilities such as the Tama Oral Rehabilitation Clinic (School of Life Dentistry at Tokyo) and Domiciliary Dental Care Department and Homecare Support Niigata Dental Clinic (School of Life Dentistry at Niigata) These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.
  
- The university has established detailed faculty evaluation guidelines and uses the results of faculty evaluations in determining awards such as the Best Lecture Prize and Best Teacher Prize as well as deciding compensation and personnel matters such as bonuses and promotions. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.
  
- In addition to providing research facilities and equipment for research activities, the university also holds various workshops on topics such as research ethics, providing faculty members with ample support. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.

#### **Recommendations for improvement**

- The University Regulations and student handbooks prescribe disciplinary action against students, but stipulations regarding procedures for disciplining students, such as methods, judgement criteria, and deliberative body, are insufficient. Accordingly, improvements are required.