

Kansai University of International Studies (関西国際大学)

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

- The six skills and qualities cited in the educational targets are clear and understandable, and the manner in which they serve as pillars on the stipulation of targets in each specialist area is an initiative worthy of evaluation.
- In addition to the office hours of each faculty member, Center Office Hours are set in which seminars on themes such as qualification examinations and career guidance are conducted, enabling learning in small groups and providing an environment in which it is easy for students to consult with faculty members and faculty members to give guidance to students. This initiative is worthy of evaluation.
- Evaluation and Practice I and Evaluation and Practice II courses have been set, and the initiative enabling the inspection and evaluation of leaning outcomes on courses by the students themselves using the KUISs Learning Benchmarks, the Learning Route Map, the Student Radar Charts and e-Portfolios is worthy of evaluation.
- With regard to the performance evaluation of faculty, the university uses its unique Faculty e-Portfolio tool to record work according to the main evaluation axis, the way that it calculates the evaluations scores based on the Kansai University of International Studies Faculty and Staff Target Management Chart is objective, and the fact that faculty roles and targets are made clear is worthy of evaluation.
- Five research institutes have been established, the fact that faculty can become affiliated to a research institute according to their own field of research raises research motivation, and as a mechanism that generates synergy through both individual and joint research is worthy of evaluation.
- The use of internal groupware to enable full-time faculty and staff to look at any time at various meeting reports and data creates an autonomous mechanism that encourages self-inspection and

evaluation such as identifying issues in each department, proposing improvements, and incorporating the results of self-inspection and evaluation in business plans. This initiative is worthy of evaluation.

Recommendations for improvement

None.