

Yamanashi Gakuin University (山梨学院大学)

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

- Individual meetings by the Dean or Vice Dean with the students before the approval of the withdrawal requests provide opportunity to both minimize the number of students leaving and provide guidance on future paths after leaving the university. This initiative is worthy of evaluation as student-orientated support.
- The university provides students with opportunities from their first year to participate in case studies and work experience in various industries and business entities, including experience working with businesspeople from both Japan and overseas. This initiative is worthy of evaluation as this measure provides students with opportunities to begin thinking about their future paths and careers early in their academic careers.
- In enhancing student services, the university's Student Center comprises two divisions: the Office of Student Affairs and the Office of Health Consultation. In particular, the Office of Health Consultation comprises three units—Health and Medical Care, Student Counseling, and Student Diversity and Accessibility Support—that are utilized by students with various needs. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.
- To encourage employee self-improvement, the university has established a Staff Self-Improvement Grant Payment System and a TOEIC Administration Staff Self-Improvement Grant. These are well utilized by employees to improve their language skills and attain qualifications. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.

Recommendations for improvement

- Review and approval of the auditor's report by the Board of Directors and Board of Councilors at the time of account settlement is inappropriate in light of the audit's purpose. Accordingly, improvements are required.

- The university's financial condition is not healthy, with the advances received retention rate less than 100% and declining each year since the academic year 2020. Accordingly, improvements are required.