

## SENDAI UNIVERSITY (仙台大学)

### 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

- From the academic year 2023, a “Project Team” centering on younger faculty and staff has been established, and it is starting discussions regarding points that need to be improved or reformed with the vision of the university in ten years’ time. This initiative is worthy of evaluation.
- As one of the “University Introduction Internship” programs, an academic partnership agreement has been entered into with professional sports organizations based in Sendai City, providing opportunities for the students to learn. This initiative is worthy of high evaluation.
- The initiative in which the establishment of an athletic training room, where certified athletic trainers and student trainers provide guidance on athletic rehabilitation for sports related and overuse injuries under the guidance of a physician, is worthy of high evaluation.
- The “Learning Commons” has been developed and is provided as an environment to support active learning and other independent activities in which students play a leading role, and has become a forum for both students and faculty to learn together. This initiative is worthy of high evaluation.
- As an example of the university’s improvements made in response to the opinions and requests of students regarding academic support, the “Civil Service Recruitment School for Public Servant Employment” had been launched. This initiative is worthy of evaluation.
- The university places an emphasis on practicality in its English language education, and sets targets for academic improvement through continuous learning. An original textbook for this purpose has been created and made available on the university website as an open educational resource. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.
- The university holds “Student Participation FD (Faculty Development) Training Workshops” where the opinions of students are ascertained, and through mutually complimentary activities conducted by faculty and students the university is making efforts and improvements in teaching

methods. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.

- A unique position of “Education and Research Assistant” has been created that differs from the assistants mentioned in the School Education Act, and those in this role are dedicated to indirectly assisting in educational activities connecting faculty and administrative staff. This initiative is worthy of evaluation.
- The incorporated entity bears part of the academic expenses in order to develop and foster young employees, by systematically providing opportunities such as encouraging and enabling them to enroll in correspondence (distance learning) graduate schools, and with regard to those who are graduate degree holders to managerial posts such as division or section heads, creating an organization in which they can utilize their knowledge in the workplace. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.
- In preparing the “Second Mid-Term Management Plan,” Key Goal Indicators (KGIs) and Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) were established in order to clarify the progress of the plan, in which opinions were heard and solicited at the meetings for the Board of Directors and the Board of Councilors, as well as gathering insights from external experts and reflecting them in the plan. These initiatives are worthy of evaluation.
- The implementation of self-inspection and evaluation targeting the heads of various education and administrative organization promotes the personal growth of faculty and staff as well as the evolution of the entire organizations, thereby enhancing the quality of the university’s education and operations. This initiative is worthy of evaluation.

#### **Recommendations for improvement**

None.