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The Center for the Studies of Higher Education (CSHE) at Nagoya University (NU) was established in 1998 with special focus upon the conduct of research and development for quality assurance in undergraduate and postgraduate education.

CONTRIBUTION TO NU

The mission of the Center is to make scholarly contributions with international perspectives on strategic issues in higher education.

Based on this mission, the Center is conducting research for the improvement of university education and development of the management system for the university.



RESEARCH DOMAINS

Concerning the improvement of university education, the Center has been supporting (1) Development of Teaching and Learning Environment, (2) Study Support for Freshmen, (3) Curriculum Development, and (4) Development of Management Information System.



RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

The Improvement of Education in NU

- Development and maintenance of teaching-tips, web-based syllabus system
- First year experience by developing study-tips for freshmen
- \cdot Curriculum design for liberal arts and sciences

The Development of a Management System for NU

- · Planning support for NU
- Development of the management information system to provide various information of NU

Contributions to Higher Education of Chubu Area

• Publication of Journals/Newsletters, and organization of seminars

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

- Faculty Development Programs and Workshops
- Support of Using "Going Syllabus"
- Individual Teaching Consultations
- Faculty Mentoring Programs
- Class Observation Activities
- Various Seminars and Forums on Higher Education

RESEARCH PERFORMANCE

◆2004 MEXT's "GP Program"

(Distinctive University Education Support Program)

The educational support program in Nagoya University, conducted under the leadership of CSHE, was adopted by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology as a Distinctive University Education Support Program.

CSHE promotes and supports voluntary faculty development through the strategies and tools based on research under the GP program.

◆Teaching Tips at NU (Japanese)

"Teaching Tips at NU" was launched in March 2000. This accumulates useful ideas and provides some solutions for various problems that teachers at NU have encountered in teaching activities.

http://www.cshe.nagoya-u.ac.jp/tips/

Ikeda, Todayama, Chikada, Nakai (2001), *Teaching Tips for Course Design*, Tamagawa University Press. (Japanese)

◆Going Syllabus (English & Japanese)

"Going Syllabus" is an online tool for course design based on syllabus making. It is an interactive and ongoing system available out of class. You can upload the teaching contents easily as an online portfolio.

http://www.cshe.nagoya-u.ac.jp/gs/

Study Tips for First Year Students at NU

"Study Tips at NU" helps the first year students become active learners. Within this aim, the Study Tips explains the basic elements from 4 points, the methods of setting the goal, the way of building the personal relations, the methodology of reaching the goal such as time-management, and the basic skills of critical thinking. Still, it is a pilot version, but available on the web.

http://www.cshe.nagoya-u.ac.jp/stips/

CSHE Journal (Japanese) Nagoya Journal of Higher Education vol.1-vol.5.