

TUJ Times



The New TUJ Campus

Site Work Underway in Setagaya-ku



Perspective image of the new TUJ building

December 1, 2017. Demolition is now underway to clear existing structures from the new TUJ Campus site in Setagaya-ku. The first sign of activity is a perimeter fence and scaffolding installed in October around buildings slated for removal. Site preparations are scheduled to continue during winter with actual construction on the TUJ facility to begin in 2018.

For updates, photos and news about the new TUJ Campus, visit: www.tuj.ac.jp/support-tuj

Tokyo Campus Tie-Up could offer Model for the Future

By James McCrostie, *The Japan Times*

Tokyo-based Showa Women's University (SWU) and Temple University, Japan Campus (TUJ) have announced a unique campus-sharing agreement that could offer a model to other Japanese schools.

The universities first announced their plan to share SWU's Setagaya campus in June. According to a press release, "This agreement to share a campus is the first of its kind between Japanese and American universities and marks an unprecedented step to promote the globalization of Japanese universities."

By September 2019, TUJ will move to a new six-story building on land that SWU owns just outside its campus gates. SWU will construct and own the building, which TUJ will pay to lease. TUJ, whose current campus is located in an office building in Minato Ward, will gain shared access to SWU facilities such as sport fields, gyms, auditoriums, a pool and cafeteria.

During her opening remarks to the audience at TUJ's 35th Anniversary Symposium held at SWU last month, SWU Chancellor Mariko Bando said, "SWU, through professional education, has been making various efforts to foster global female talent who can survive in the 21st century, and this will be a huge boost."

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TUJ Dean Bruce Stronach told the attendees that the partnership isn't just about gaining access to campus facilities, "We are so happy to be on a campus finally and have our own building and all that is really, really great. But the real thing is the education, and I think that in the end this relationship is just going to be tremendously supportive of the global nature of the education of both SWU students and TUJ students."

In a phone interview, Stronach elaborated on the benefits of the tie-up. The partnership will also see stronger collaborative academic programs. SWU and TUJ students will more easily be able to take and receive credit for courses offered by the other college.

Universities allowing their students to transfer credits for courses taken at another school isn't a new idea in Japan. Since the 1990s, universities in different cities and regions have been members of credit-transfer consortiums. The consortiums became increasingly popular in the 2000s and there are now at least 15 throughout the country, including five organized by Tokyo-based universities.

Individual Japanese universities have also signed reciprocal credit transfer agreements. For example, several departments at Osaka Prefecture University and Osaka City University allow students to take courses for credit at the other institution.

However, Stronach says he hopes to take credit-sharing one step further with something he calls "undergraduate-three-plus-two." The two schools are working on a plan to allow students to study for three years at SWU, plus two more at TUJ, with the goal of graduating with degrees from both universities.

The full time undergraduate population at TUJ is just under 1100 students, of which 37% is Japanese, 41% United States, and 22% from approximately 60 other countries. Graduate and undergraduate enrollment in all degree programs is now 1,389 students, with the total student population exceeding 4,800.

SWU didn't negotiate its partnership with TUJ because of declining enrollment. Unlike some other women's universities, SWU isn't struggling to attract students. In 2015 and 2016 the school exceeded its ministry-set enrollment quota by 18 percent. In 2016 the school received permission from the education ministry to open a new Department of Food Safety and Management as well as increase its total intake quota. The school currently has about 5,600 students.

The New TUJ Campus Campaign Slogan Competition

Deadline Extended until December 15, 2017
¥ 50,000 Prize for Winning Entry

In advance of the move to a new purpose-built campus in 2019, TUJ is launching a marketing and fund-raising campaign to help underwrite its transition, promote the new relationship with Showa Women's University, increase TUJ's visibility, and enhance its brand image.

Submissions for a catch-phrase / slogan to be used during the campaign are welcome until December 15, 2017. The winning slogan will appear online, in fund-raising and marketing materials and during promotional events. The competition is open to all TUJ alumni, staff, faculty and students. Check your email for more details. To submit your entry, or for additional information, write: tujdev@tuj.temple.edu

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While it is a women-only university, SWU isn't overly concerned about sharing space with co-ed TUJ. SWU Chancellor Bando told attendees at the TUJ symposium, "We accept all the TUJ students, women and men." Bando did estimate that melding the cultures of the two universities would take about two years and that SWU and TUJ students would both need to learn the other institution's code of conduct.

Stronach says he isn't aware of any Japanese universities with a similar campus-sharing arrangement. But he agrees the partnership could provide a model.

"The conceptual idea of this kind of collaboration between Japanese universities as they find themselves with larger and larger problems because of decreasing enrollments and population — this kind of campus-sharing may be something that Japanese universities may want to do."

For the future, SWU and TUJ plan to discuss tie-ups in the areas of extra-curricular student clubs and joint workshops and research projects for faculty and staff. Potential collaboration between SWU, their Showa Boston campus, TUJ and Temple University's main campus in Philadelphia are another possibility.

However, Stronach says there are no immediate plans to seek a similar campus-sharing agreement for TUJ's Graduate College of Education Osaka Center.

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Alumni Celebrate TUJ's 35th

The 2017 Alumni Reunion, organized to mark TUJ's 35th anniversary and to celebrate the new TUJ and SWU initiative, was held on Saturday, October 21 at Showa Women's University.

The event kicked off just as a major typhoon made landfall in Tokyo, and despite the rain and winds, over 100 people turned out for the party. Alumni from recent years and those from the 1980's joined others visiting from as far away as the United States.

Notable alumni in attendance included Tomoko Kaneko, one of TUJ's first doctoral degree recipients and now president of Showa Women's University. Fusako Handa (age 86) and Haruka Yasuda (age 81), two of TUJ's oldest living alumni, who earned their Masters in education degrees in 1992 and 1998 respectively also joined the party, as did Atsushi Yamamoto (class of 1986) and Masami Yashiro (class of 1987), two of TUJ's earliest graduates.

To celebrate the anniversary, the room was decorated with TUJ memorabilia. Also on display was a scale model of the new TUJ campus scheduled to open in 2019. A short video presentation provided by the architects showed the new building's interior design and layout. Live music was provided by jazz quintet Magnum Six.

One of TUJ's Oldest Alumni is First to Donate to the New Campus



TUJ alumnus Haruka Yasuda, age 81 (on the right) pictured with alumna Fusako Handa, age 86 (middle) and unknown guest

By TUJ Staff Writers

Haruka Yasuda prides himself on being one of TUJ's oldest alumni. The 1998 graduate was already in his mid-60s when he enrolled in the Graduate College of Education twenty years ago and now, at 81, he refers to himself good-naturedly as an "Oldie."

Before attending TUJ, Yasuda earned a degree from a top national university in Japan and enjoyed a successful international career with a leading trading firm that included extended professional assignments in the U.S., the Philippines and Saudi Arabia. As a natural polyglot and lover of languages, Yasuda studied German, Spanish and Tagalog over the years, but it was his desire to "soak in an academic environment, and to retrofit and enhance his English," he says, that brought him to TUJ in the 1990's.

"For the first time," Yasuda recalls of TUJ, "I could bask in an American education that included many ardent professors. To study at night after working all day was really tough, but

the degree gave me confidence to later teach at a women's university, and also inspired me to further my study of foreign languages."

After retirement, Yasuda even took up Chinese, and has been studying the language for ten years.

Since graduating from TUJ, Yasuda has been a dedicated alumnus who often attends university events and supports numerous Temple initiatives, including the annual Diamond Dinner that raises scholarship funds.

Yasuda expressed his enthusiasm for TUJ's planned move to a new purpose-built building on the campus of Showa Women's University (SWU). "I've been living in Setagaya-ku for more than 70 years and Showa is not out of walking distance from my house. My years are already numbered, but with the new campus of my alma mater nearby, I will devote my remaining life to peace among Japan, the U.S. and China - making full use of my knowledge of these three languages. I will try to be a good role model for TUJ's younger students."



Party goers celebrate at the 2017 TUJ Alumni Reunion

TUJ History Project Underway

In recognition of the 35th Anniversary of Temple University, Japan Campus (TUJ), Temple University President Richard Englert and Provost Joanne Epps authorized the creation of a special archive on the history of TUJ in December, 2016.

The TUJ Archive will reside in the Special Collections Office on Main Campus, where materials will be stored, curated, and made available to scholars interested in the history of the Japan campus. Former TUJ Dean Richard Joslyn is spearheading the project in collaboration with current dean Bruce Stronach.

According to Joslyn, “the focus of the archive project thus far has been finding, reviewing and preserving documents related to the Japan campus, both textual and audio-visual; conducting oral interviews with individuals having extensive involvement with TUJ over the past three and a half decades; and inviting former and present TUJ alumni, faculty, and staff to write personal essays about aspects of their experiences at the institution.”

Joslyn and Stronach are particularly eager to locate and preserve materials from the early years of TUJ when the university had a Japanese business partner (1982-1995), as those materials and memories are most in danger of being lost or forgotten. The ultimate goal, however, is to collect a complete record of TUJ’s 35-year history.

Joslyn shared early findings of the archive on October 21 during a special 35th Anniversary symposium in Tokyo, “Developing a Successful Overseas Branch Campus: TUJ Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow.” Both Joslyn and Stronach were panelists at the event alongside Kirk Patterson, another former TUJ dean. The panel discussed not only the TUJ archive, but also more broadly the history, mission and academic vision behind the creation of TUJ, which has evolved into a thriving American institution of higher education in Japan.

The first phase of the archive project is scheduled to be completed by March 2018.

Diversity a Hallmark at TUJ

By Nicholas Seagraves, *Freely Magazine*

Temple University, nicknamed “The Diversity University,” has in recent years been one of the top schools in the country for the international diversity of its students and faculty. In fact, on Temple’s main campus, 128 countries are represented by Temple students. According to *Temple at a Glance 2016-2017* a report about the student population at Temple, there are currently 3,408 international students who make up about nine percent of the total population.

Temple also has influence internationally, with longstanding campuses in Tokyo and Rome. Temple University Rome is a smaller campus compared to main campus and is intended solely for one semester or one academic year study abroad programs.



Dean Bruce Stronach (left) and former TUJ Deans Kirk Patterson and Richard Joslyn at the 35th Anniversary Symposium

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On the contrary, Temple University Japan, or TUJ for short, not only has semester and academic year programs but also is a degree-awarding campus. Unlike Temple University Rome, at TUJ, students from Japan, the United States, and other countries around the world can be enrolled in a full time degree program without having to ever be enrolled at main campus. But does TUJ embody the same commitment to international diversity as main campus?

Although TUJ and Temple’s main campuses don’t compare in size, they do share Temple University’s commitment to international diversity. From the “TUJ at a Glance” report, 59% of the TUJ student population is made up of international students, including Japanese students. I have personally seen the similarities between the two campus’ internationally diverse student communities having been at Temple University for the past three years and now studying at TUJ for the fall semester of 2017. During my years at main campus I could name more countries where students are from than the number of fingers I have on one hand! China, Vietnam, Brazil, India, Nigeria, and Germany are some that come to mind.

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Even in my short time at TUJ I’ve met students from an interesting mix of countries, such as

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Japan, Vietnam, India, and Great Britain, to name a few.

Other students have also noticed this same level of international diversity amongst students. Senior communications studies major, Tyler Device, is happy to see the two separate campuses both being very rich in diversity. “I was surprised to see how similar the diversity is here compared to main campus,” says Tyler. “It makes me happy, because it reminds me of being back at main campus.”

TUJ is surprisingly more diverse than what I was expecting, but I like it like that. It could be more diverse in my opinion but [it’s] fine how it is because diversity shouldn’t be forced, it should be accepted.

TUJ student Jared Pu’u-Robinson

Students from main campus are not the only ones who have noticed the international diversity at TUJ. At TUJ, full time TUJ students and other study abroad students not from main campus make up the rest of the study body. Kaho Tsujimoto, TUJ junior communication major, is envied by her Japanese friends for studying at an English university. “My friends praise me for being at an [English-speaking] university. I expected to see more American students though because Temple is an American university, but I like how diverse the student population is,” says Kaho. “In the future the Japanese population will be much smaller and we need to be globalized and diversity is a good way to globalize.” Here, Kaho is likely referring to the fact that the Japanese population has shrunk by more than a million in the past five years, which is worrying many Japanese policymakers. Some experts have recommended a more liberal immigration policy to attract international talent and increase the population. It could even be said that TUJ is helping to bring talented students from all around the world to Japan.



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From the TUJ Archives

Let's Not Forget China

June 11, 1990. June 4 was the first anniversary of the brutal suppression of Chinese student demonstrations in Beijing's Tiananmen Square. We can think of no event in recent years which has so totally galvanized the attention of thinking people of all political persuasions. The spectacle of unarmed students and workers confronting soldiers armed with tanks and machine guns is one we will never forget.

Yet many free world governments, with Japan in the lead, seem to have short memories. Within weeks of the atrocities at Tiananmen and the suppression of all vestiges of free thought in China, they were already knocking at the door of Li Peng's henchmen with loans in hand. This month, the Japanese government proposed \$800 million in loans to a government that has been rejected by its own people and stands condemned in the court of universal public opinion.

We say to the banks of Japan: Wait a minute! That is our money you are offering to China, the money of millions of hardworking men and women who share the ideals of the Chinese people and share their revulsion at the crimes and corruption of their leaders. That is our money and we refuse to lend it to criminals.

Accordingly, we call on all people of good will in Japan to commemorate Monday, June 4, 1990. We call on them for just one day to withdraw as much as they can from their bank accounts to protest the misuse of their money. We urge them to accompany their withdrawal with a declaration to make their purpose clear. And we pledge ourselves to do likewise, and to continue to do so until these loans stop or until the freed of the Chinese people is restored.

*The above editorial first appeared in the June 1990 edition of the **Temple Voice**, a student newspaper, and was signed by 14 TUJ students and faculty members.*



Alumni at the Wine and Momiji Picnic in Yoyogi on November 19th

Temple University Faculty Host NCAA President in Japan

Establishing a Japanese version of the NCAA under discussion



(From left) DOME Kevin Abe, University of Tsukuba Associate Professor Tsuyoshi Matsumoto, DOME CEO Shuichi Yasuda, NCAA President Mark Emmert, and Temple University Associate Professor Jeremy Jordan at "State of College Athletics" in Ariake, Tokyo

August 30, 2017. Temple University (TU) professors Jeremy Jordan and Daniel Funk hosted NCAA President Mark Emmert on a visit to Japan for lectures and panel discussions concerning Japanese university athletics. The sessions, targeted at individuals affiliated with universities, sports associations, governmental bodies and the industries, were held in conjunction with Temple's joint research project, which has been conducted collaboratively with University of Tsukuba and DOME Corporation since 2016. The sessions were intended to widely share the expertise of the American example before the Japanese government establishes a "Japanese version of the NCAA," which it aims to launch in 2018.

The first lecture was held at a hotel in Tokyo exclusively for university presidents. President Emmert spoke to approximately 20 participants from all over the country. He acknowledged that from the beginning, the NCAA has been supported by the leadership of university presidents, spoke on the role of university presidents in promoting university athletics, and exchanged ideas with those in attendance.

For an open-to-the-public lecture, roughly 200 people—individuals affiliated with universities, sports associations, governmental bodies, industry figures and more, including journalists

crowded into the DOME Ariake headquarters. After DOME CEO Shuichi Yasuda raised his concern over safety management and other issues in Japanese university sports to open the session, TU's Professor Funk delivered an overview of the U.S.-Japan joint research project on university sports. In the following lecture, President Emmert spoke about the current state of the NCAA administration and the circumstances which led to the NCAA's establishment, dating back to more than 100 years ago. During the panel discussion, TU's Associate Professor Jordan took the stage as one of the panelists, discussed treating university sports as a "value proposition" from a long term point of view, and pointed out the importance of shared information and perceived opportunities. Jordan, together with President Emmert, Tsukuba Associate Professor Tsuyoshi Matsumoto and DOME CEO Yasuda, had an enthusiastic debate on stage.

On the same day, President Emmert's delegation paid a courtesy visit to Yoshimasa Hayashi, Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, to discuss NCAA initiatives.

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