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U.S. AMBASSADOR GIVES KEYNOTE ADDRESS AT MILESTONE TUJ GRADUATION

On June 11, 2005, TUJ held its first commencement ceremony since its designation as a Foreign University, Japan Campus, by Japan's Ministry of Education. The ceremony featured a keynote speech by U.S. ambassador to Japan J. Thomas Schieffer, who

addressed the graduates at Tokyo's Radisson Miyako Hotel. In addition, the commencement witnessed the 1,000th graduate of the Master of Education in TESOL (teaching English to speakers of other languages) program,

which was the first degree program to be offered by TUJ after it opened in 1982.

Ambassador Schieffer is the first U.S. ambassador to Japan to attend a TUJ commencement. In his address, he congratulated the graduates on their accomplishments and wished them continued success. He added, moreover, that the "Temple University, Japan Campus, class of 2005 is unique. You will be," he proclaimed, "the first class to graduate since the government of Japan declared Temple to be a foreign university with a Japan campus. Hopefully, other universities will receive similar declarations, but no matter how many may follow, you will always be the first, and that will continue to be a source of pride."

Ambassador Schieffer's comments came after more than 20 years of negotiations between TUJ and the Japanese Ministry of Education. His address underscored how much the ministry's designation of TUJ as a Foreign University, Japan Campus, means



U.S. ambassador J. Thomas Schieffer gives his keynote address at the TUJ graduation.

for TUJ's ability to offer its students benefits long denied them.

It was fitting, therefore, that what followed Ambassador Schieffer's remarks was the reading of a telegram from Japan's Minister of Education, Nariaki Nakayama. "Over many years," the minister graciously stated, "TUJ has contributed significantly to the internalization of higher education in Japan and to the development of a stronger

friendship between Japan and the U.S.

I would like to congratulate all the graduates and look forward to your contributions in various fields around the world."

Representatives from the graduating class then addressed the audience, and

their comments were followed by the highlight of the ceremony—the presentation of diplomas.

TUJ dean Kirk R. Patterson closed the two-hour ceremony by congratulating the graduates and by recognizing the contributions of TUJ faculty and of families and friends to graduates' lives. "You have,"



Japan's minister of education, Nariaki Nakayama, sent this telegram congratulating TUJ and TUJ graduates.

he said, "supported and encouraged these graduates, and in many instances you have made significant personal sacrifices for them. This day of their accomplishment is also your day."

UNDERGRADUATE BOOM BREAKS RECORDS

TUJ is bigger, better, and more international than ever. The number of undergraduate students in the fall semester reached 575, far exceeding the previous record of 496, with the number of full-time students up almost 50%. And among those full-time students are nearly 100 foreign students, including 73 (another record high) study-abroad students from the United States and about 20 students from around the world who have chosen to do full degree programs at TUJ. This latter group of foreign students is benefiting from TUJ's new ability to sponsor student visas as a result of the designation from Japan's Ministry of Education.

To better serve the increasing number of foreign students, TUJ established the Office of International Students (OIS) on July 1. The new office is managed by Dr. Kyle Cleveland, who also continues his responsibilities as an undergraduate professor of sociology and the director of the Institute of Contemporary Japanese Studies.

More students, of course, also mean a larger faculty. Many of the new members to the faculty at TUJ are highly respected teaching professionals and researchers in their areas of expertise.

To accommodate TUJ's growing student and faculty populations, TUJ has added the "Annex"—the fifth floor of a building on a street adjacent to the TUJ campus—to its facilities. The Annex houses TUJ's human resources, communications, and accounting offices and is only a three-minute walk from the main facility.

Stay tuned for further exciting changes!

TUJ GRADUATES ITS 1,000TH MASTER OF EDUCATION IN TESOL

On June 11, 2005, Nami Nakayama had the distinction of being TUJ's 1,000th recipient of a Master of Education (M.Ed.) in TESOL (teaching English to speakers of other languages).



Nami Nakayama, the 1000th graduate of TUJ's M.Ed. in TESOL program, is being congratulated by program director Dr. Ken Schaefer.

Ms. Nakayama, who studied at TUJ's Fukuoka campus, was as surprised as everybody else when she crossed the podium to receive her diploma at TUJ's commencement ceremony and was heralded as the 1,000th graduate of TUJ's M.Ed. in TESOL program. The distinction earned her a bouquet of flowers and special remarks from Dr. Kenneth G. Schaefer, who has taught and directed the program since 1984. "In 1985," he said, "we granted the first Master of Education degree at TUJ. Now, 20 years later, it's clear that many of the very best language teachers in Japan are TUJ graduates. We are proud to mark this important milestone: master's degree number 1,000."

The Master of Education in TESOL program is designed primarily for people who teach English to speakers of Japanese and other languages. It is one of the top programs of its type in the world and offers students a unique blend of theory and practice. It was the first degree program offered when TUJ opened in Tokyo and Osaka in 1982. In 1988, TUJ launched the program in Fukuoka and introduced a

TESOL doctoral program in Tokyo and Osaka. The M.Ed. program currently has a yearly enrollment of about 260 students.

Approximately 50% of the program's students are Japanese, and the rest are Americans and other nationalities. Almost 70% of these students are actively teaching English at universities and colleges, senior and junior high schools, and other educational institutions in Japan.

As an indication of the continuing strong demand for TESOL education, TUJ launched new doctoral cohorts in Tokyo and Osaka in September 2005. The total enrollment of 58 students is far ahead of initial projections, even though many well-qualified applicants were rejected.

TUJ'S FILM FESTIVAL PROVES A SUMMER HIT

NextFrame Nippon 2005, an international student film festival presented annually by TUJ, attracted 700 filmgoers during its one week in Tokyo in July. This year's festival included entries

from Belgium, Canada, Germany, Lebanon, the United States, Slovakia, and the United Kingdom.

The entries were culled from NextFrame Nippon's sister festival, NextFrame

UFVA's Touring Festival of International Student Film and Video in the United States, and spanned a variety of themes and genres, from the traditional love story to abstract animations.

NextFrame is the 1993 brainchild of a graduate student in film and media arts from Temple University in Philadelphia. It arrived in Japan under TUJ's coordination in 1999. NextFrame Nippon 2005's director, Karl Neubert, a professor of film studies at TUJ, thanked his students for helping to sell tickets, write subtitles, and manage the event, of which he said, "we were able to

more than double our audience compared with last year, and I think we put together one

of the strongest festivals since NextFrame came to Japan."

An extra treat at this year's NextFrame Nippon were the talks provided after film showings by guest speakers from Japan's movie industry. Professor Neubert, however, admits that "there is still a long way to go to making our event an acknowledged festival in Japan!"

MASTER OF LAW STUDENTS IN JAPAN GET GOOD NEWS

Temple University just made it easier for its law students in Japan to complete their degrees. Students can now complete 18 of their 24 credits at TUJ. Only the remaining 6 credits must be completed outside Japan in a single summer session at Temple's Philadelphia main campus (seven weeks) or Rome campus (five weeks). Previously, students had to spend a full five-month semester at the main campus, making it difficult for students working in Japan to complete the program. For more

information about the TUJ law program, visit <http://www.tuj.ac.jp/law/>.

TUJ INTRODUCES ITS PRE-MBA PROGRAM

TUJ now offers MBA courses to nondegree students. This option enables aspiring managers who aren't ready for the challenge of studying

for a full MBA to take related business classes while continuing to work.

The Pre-MBA program permits students to take up to three MBA classes without admission to TUJ's MBA program. Full credits are given for these courses and may be applied toward an MBA should the students enter the degree program.

Enrollees in TUJ's new Pre-MBA program benefit from the same high standards that are the hallmark of all TUJ programs and courses. They study alongside full- and part-time students, are taught by U.S.-based professors, and increase their international exposure and career potential through interaction with peers and faculty. For more information about the Pre-MBA program, please visit www.tuj.ac.jp/mba.

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Undergraduate Program

Michiyo Matsuoka (BA, '93) worked for TUJ until last year as a sales executive in Corporate Education. During her time at TUJ, she participated in one of the programs in Continuing Education and learned how to become an entrepreneur.

"After graduating from the main campus, I worked in the U.S. (San Diego, CA) for a couple of years in the hospitality industry. Since then, I have always wanted to own my own business—to be an entrepreneur. Temple has taught me to be a goal achiever, to be independent, responsible, and confident. I achieved my first goal—to become a business owner—in '98. After that, I had the opportunity to help another person launch his new business, and right now, I am again excited to set up another new business with my business associates. Without having studied and learned different skills at Temple, I would not be where I am now. I still have a lot of good friends and mentors at Temple, and I hope that I can keep good friendships with everyone in the future as well." michiyotokyo@hotmail.com

Ayumi Suzuki (BA, '95) has worked for the Coalition for Legislation to Support Citizens' Organizations (known as C's) since 1995. C's, established in 1994, is a nonpartisan, independent organization comprising 70 citizens' group members and supported by about 600 NPOs, individuals, and for-profit organizations. C's focuses on establishing legal frameworks to support NPOs and played a major role in the process of establishing systems such as the NPO Law in 1998 and a law providing for the tax deductibility of donations for incorporated NPOs that meet certain criteria in 2001. At the TUJ library, Suzuki found a book written on East Timor resistance that led to her interest in becoming involved in the NGO/NPO field. She says, "to establish a law through Citizens' Organizations was challenging. I spent some tough days during the first legislative activities, but it became a great experience for me. I would like to continue to work on Japan's NPO reforms, and I wish for the day when NPOs take a certain and active part in resolving public issues." She married in 2000 and now lives in Nakano.

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Adam Smith

Lieberfarb (BA, '00) is still in Tokyo. He recently changed jobs and is now working as a researcher for Human Associates, Inc. Prior to that, Adam spent five years working as an English instructor for various institutions, including Tokyo's prestigious Hibiya High School,



the Ministry of Justice, Olympus, Pfizer, and Morgan Stanley. In addition, he has appeared on four major and independent releases in Japan as a guitarist and can be heard every Friday night at Eddie's Lounge in Kita-Senju. He and his wife, Yuko, are expecting their first child this December. greyblooz@mac.com

Hiroshi Koito (BA, '04) works at a top affiliate of the online marketing company ValueCommerce, which pioneered the industry, and has been instrumental in helping customers and media partners to manage, scale, and generate sales and revenue from their online channels. He deals with how merchants and media partners can benefit by providing more efficient technology. He is increasingly interested in programming and building online purchase forms. koitohiroshi@hotmail.com

Yuichi Takahashi (BA, '04), president of the TUJ student government in '04, graduated in spring 2005 and started working at GE (General Electric, Inc.) as a member of its Financial Management Program (FMP). FMP is one of GE's best leadership programs for developing world-class financial leaders and consists of four rotation assignments in different business sections for two years. He works hard every day and learns financial, management, and leadership skills from both on-the-job and course-work training. Upon his employment, he moved to the Azabu Juban area and so is still able to visit TUJ occasionally and meet up with his friends. yuichiworldnet@gmail.com

College of Education

Akiyo Hirai (EdD, '01) was one of the first Ed.D. students at the Osaka campus in 1995. After completing all the required courses at the Osaka campus, she moved to the Kanto area to accept a teaching position at the University of Tsukuba and so completed her dissertation work at the TUJ Tokyo campus. She is now an assistant professor and teaches evaluation theory, psycholinguistics, and some applied linguistics-related courses to both undergraduate and graduate students in the doctoral program in modern cultures and public policies at the Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Tsukuba. "My lectures are based on what I learned in the Ed.D. program. I enjoy teaching very much," she says. She would like to see her fellow alumni from the first Osaka campus Ed.D. class.

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Mihoko Yamagata (MEEd, '97) is a Japanese-language teacher. She uses the teaching methods and ideas for classroom activities that she learned at TUJ in the TESOL program and adapts them for the Japanese-language educational environment. She says she enjoys teaching very much.

MBA Program

Ian Pulford (MBA, '01) was recently appointed president for British Telecom's Japan operations, BT Japan. Previously, he led the company's wholesale operations in Asia-Pacific, the Middle East, and Africa as vice president.

Makoto Hirano

(MBA, '02) left NTT and is now a professor at Kochi University of Technology. He recently published a book in Japanese, called *Gijutsusha no Tamenom Kigyō Manual* (A Venturing Manual for

Engineers), through Soufukan Publishing Co. In his book, he describes how impressed he was by the education he received in the MBA course at TUJ. hirano.makoto@kochi-tech.ac.jp, makoh@kt.rim.or.jp



Greg Kreuer (MBA, '03) moved from Tokyo to Singapore in 2003 and was recently promoted to head Parker Hannifin's Fluid Connector Group operations throughout the Asia-Pacific region. This new position will be based in Shanghai, where Greg will be relocating in October. His new assignment includes the P&L, manufacturing, sourcing, and marketing responsibilities of all Fluid Connector Group operations within Asia. The position focuses on expanding manufacturing platforms in Asia to enhance customer service and increase market share. Greg will also be responsible for Fluid Connector Group acquisitions and joint ventures in Asia. Greg states that his educational experience at TUJ greatly enhanced his knowledge and skills required by today's business environment. gkreuer@Parker.com

Law School

Kazuko Shimizu (LLM, '01) received her degree at Temple's main campus in Philadelphia and now works as an assistant professor in the Department of International Paralegal at Babel University Professional School of Translation in Japan. She also teaches English for use in international legal affairs at a community college. At both schools, she teaches translation skills specifically related to common law, and her lectures are based on material she learned from core courses and the Intellectual Property Law course in Temple's law program. "Since teaching always calls for self-improvement, I'm taking courses in the law program again. Being a student at Temple is part of my continuing education, and I enjoy being a student and a teacher at the same time."

A FRIEND LEAVES TUJ

Career Development manager Yuko Komiya left her position at the end of August after 18 years at Temple. As one of TUJ's longest-serving staff members, Ms. Komiya helped numerous alumni gain employment through her tireless efforts on their behalf.

Ms. Komiya's initial responsibility after coming to work at TUJ in 1987, however, was for tuition payments and for recruiting. She moved to the Office of Career Development in 1993, and since 1996, when TUJ moved to Minami Azabu, Ms. Komiya alone organized and managed important employment-related events and job-finding services for students. This included holding job-placement information sessions, coordinating internships, and hosting career fairs and workshops. Only recently was Ms. Komiya joined by Hanako Tokita, who, as internship coordinator, shared in developing and managing career development programs.



Career Development manager Yuko Komiya with her supervisor, Associate Dean Romam Cybriwsky.

Before Ms. Komiya's departure, staff members held a surprise farewell party to honor her for her dedicated work. Asked to comment on her career at TUJ, she said, "I've learned many things at TUJ. Meeting so many different students and alumni was a great experience for me. They always give me courage and energy. Because of them I was able to work at TUJ for such a long time."

Ms. Komiya, we wish you the very best in your future undertakings!

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



Over 160 alumni, faculty, and staff members attended the Alumni Reunion 2005 at the City Club of Tokyo on November 8th. Yuichi Takahashi (BA '04), former president of the TUJ student government, volunteered to be the first president of the TUJ Alumni Association and made an announcement outlining his ideas and asking for more volunteers.

DONORS' LUNCHEON RECOGNIZES SUPPORTERS

TUJ held its first annual Donors' Luncheon on Wednesday, September 7, at the Tokyo American Club. The purpose of the event was to show appreciation for Gold Owl Supporters and up—those who donated ¥100,000 and above in the fiscal year from July 2004 to June 2005.

Dean Patterson reported on recent developments and issues at TUJ, including the new designation from the Japanese Ministry of Education, the ongoing tax issue, plans for a new TUJ building, student enrollment, and future fund-raising initiatives. Also in attendance and active in discussing these developments and issues with donors were Board of Governor member Midori Kaneko; alumna Saki Kojima; senior student Saki Kakimoto; and freshman Rory Pfothenhauer, who is one of our first College Student Visa holders.

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JAPANESE HOST FAMILIES WANTED

TUJ's Office of International Students (OIS) is seeking homestay families for its international students. Homestays are ideal for students seeking to learn Japanese culture and language. The university will pay host families ¥80,000 a month to cover basic costs.

For more information, call Junko Hirooka of the OIS at 03-5441-9800 (ext. 116), or e-mail OIS@tuj.ac.jp.

EVENT INFORMATION

Effective Business Presentations for Non-native English Speakers.

Date: December 8-9 and December 15-16

Cost: ¥99,750 per person (20% off for alumni = ¥79,800) for two-day, 14-hour intensive course, from 9:30 to 17:30 each day.

For more information, call Corporate Education at 03-5441-9810, or e-mail ce@tuj.ac.jp.

EDITOR'S NOTES

Some alumni are taking the lead in forming an Alumni Association Committee. The committee will serve as the voice of alumni in advising TUJ on various issues. Please contact us at alumni@tuj.ac.jp if you are interested in joining the committee or if you wish to recommend alumni for committee membership.

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