

## Challenges for Globalization at Hokkaido University

“Globalization” of Universities is a sort of “eternal challenge,” but in last 2~3 years in particular there has been much discussion about and many projects for globalization at Hokkaido University.

The “Basic Philosophies and Long Term Goals” of Hokkaido University include “Global Perspectives,” and the medium-term plans and goals of the University seek “to improve the international currency of the education and increase the international mobility of students.” However, it is necessary to devise and implement a variety of research and development projects to accomplish these goals.

Here we introduce a variety of discussions and efforts for “globalization” at Hokkaido University during the last two years, and we hope this will help in the formation of campus-wide common understanding.

### 特集：北海道大学の「国際化」を求めて

大学の「国際化」はいわば「永遠の課題」ですが、本学でもこの2～3年間特に盛んに議論され、さまざまな取組が行われています。

本学は教育研究の基本理念に「国際性の涵養」を掲げ、今期中期目標・中期計画には「教育の国際的通用性を向上させ、学生の国際的流動性を高める」と記しています。しかし、その実現にはさまざまな検討と工夫が必要です。

ここでは、最近2年間の北海道大学の「国際化」に向けたさまざまな取組と議論を紹介し、学内の共通の理解の形成に役立つことを願っています。