



# International activities of Hokkaido University

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# Overview of Hokkaido University



### **Prestige**

- Established in 1876 as Sapporo Agricultural College
- One of the 13 Top Global University Projects by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology
- Organizer of the project "Human Resource Development Platform for Japan-Russia Economic Cooperation and Personnel Exchange"





#### World class research

- Research-intensive university with 22 research institutes.
- Member of RU11, the 11 major research universities in Japan.
- Emeritus Professor Akira Suzuki received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry



#### World class education

- 12 faculties and 21 graduate schools cover almost all areas
- Overall highest satisfaction ratings of all Japanese universities (according to Nikkei Paper Survey)

#### **Data**

Total Students: 18,000

(12,000 undergraduates and 6,000 graduates)

Total Staff: 4,000

(2,000 academic staff, 1,000 technical staff, 1,000 administrative staff) 8 university-wide MOUs and 41 department-wide MOUs with Russian academic institutions.

# Hokkaido University's Internationalization Strategy

Contributing towards the resolution of global issues



Fostering leaders contributing to the resolution of global issues through the transformation of Hokkaido University into an initiator of collaborations with the world.

# Examples of research disciplines in which Hokkaido University excels



- Japan's only research institute specializing in natural science in the cryosphere
- Japan's largest number of researchers who participate in national research projects on the Arctic Circle



- Japan's only and the world's leading Slavic-Eurasian Research Center
- Published journals that lead research in the world.

# Increase of international exchanges in disciplines in which the university excels

#### Summer Institute

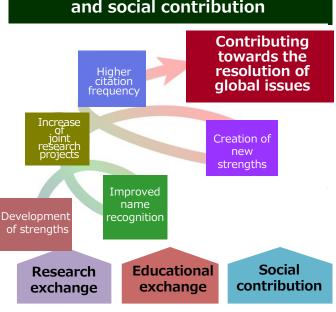
Inviting 100 top researchers from around the world every year

#### Learning Satellite

Course provided at 60 locations around the world every year by Hokkaido University faculty members to resolve local issues

These two types of efforts accelerate cross-disciplinary, industry-university and international collaborations.

# Practical solutions of issues through research, education and social contribution



## East Russia - Japan Expert Education Program (RJE3 Program)

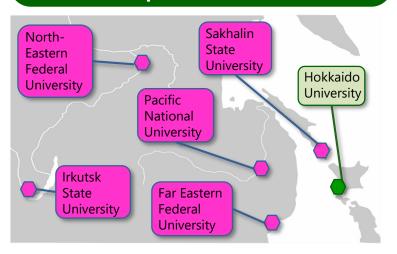


To **produce experts** who can play **leading roles** in sustainable development in the Far East and the Arctic Circle

### 5 major issues

- Environmental Assessment
- Cultural Diversity
- Soil and Productivity
- Regional Resource Development
- Disaster Prevention Management

## 5 Russian partner universities



## **Practical training**

Environment
Observation Training

#### Yakutsk in Russia



Cold Region
Development
Technology Training
Sapporo, Hokkaido





International archaeological field school

#### Rebun Island, Hokkaido



Conservation Ecology
Fieldwork for
Humanities

Sapporo and Shiretoko



# Research Activities of Arctic Research Center

### Contribute to Sustainable Use and Conservation of the Arctic Region

