



## Results of Accreditations Performed by the Japan University Accreditation Association

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### *Introduction*

In 2002, the Certified Evaluation and Accreditation System was introduced in Japan (enforced in 2004), obligating all higher education institutions (universities, junior colleges and technical colleges) to undergo an evaluation once every 7 years, and all professional graduate schools to undergo an evaluation once every 5 years as well. In each case, the evaluating agency certified by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) conducts the evaluation process, comprehensively assessing the level of education, and other areas.

Since its establishment in 1947, the Japan University Accreditation Association (JUAA) has played a significant role in assuring the quality of higher education. On August 31, 2004, the JUAA was authorized by the Minister of MEXT as the first Certified Evaluation and Accreditation Agency for universities. Authorization for its Certified Evaluation and Accreditation later expanded to several other fields. The JUAA currently performs Certified Evaluation and Accreditation in 8 fields (university, junior college, law school, professional graduate business school, professional graduate public policy school, professional graduate school of public health, professional graduate school of intellectual property studies, and professional graduate school of global communications) and the accreditation for school of veterinary medicine.

JUAA has just finalized the results of accreditations for FY 2016 as follows.

### *FY 2016 University Accreditation (Certified Evaluation and Accreditation for University) Results*

On accepting applications for University Accreditation from 56 universities, the JUAA has undertaken the evaluative process. The evaluation including document-analysis and site-visit has been conducted by the University Accreditation Committee with subcommittees.

As a result of the evaluation, the JUAA has finally decided to grant accreditation to 56

universities satisfying the JAAA *University Standards*. The names of those accredited universities are listed below.

(University names listed in alphabetical order)

- (Private) Aichi Shukutoku University
- (Private) Aino University
- (Public) Aomori University of Health and Welfare
- (Private) Chuo University
- (Private) Daito Bunka University
- (Public) Ehime Prefectural University of Health Sciences
- (Private) Fuji Women's University
- (Public) Fukui Prefectural University
- (Private) Gifu Shotoku Gakuen University
- (Public) Gunma Prefectural Women's University
- (Private) Hakuoh University
- (Public) Hiroshima City University
- (Private) Institute of Information Security
- (Private) Josai International University
- (Private) Josai University
- (Private) Juntendo University
- (Private) Kitasato University
- (Public) Kobe City College of Nursing
- (Public) Kobe City University of Foreign Studies
- (Private) Kobe Women's University
- (Private) Kogakkan University
- (Private) Kunitachi College of Music
- (Private) Kyoai Gakuen University
- (Private) Kyoto Sangyo University
- (Private) Kyoto Tachibana University
- (Private) Meiji Pharmaceutical University
- (Public) Miyazaki Municipal University
- (Private) Nagahama Institute of Bio-Science and Technology
- (Public) Nagoya City University
- (Private) Nagoya University of Foreign Studies
- (Public) Niimi College
- (Private) Notre Dame Seishin University

(Private)	Osaka University of Economics
(Public)	Prefectural University of Kumamoto
(Private)	Seikei University
(Private)	Seirei Christopher University
(Public)	Shimonoseki City University
(Private)	Showa Pharmaceutical University
(Private)	Sophia University
(Private)	St. Marianna University School of Medicine
(Public)	Takasaki City University of Economics
(Private)	Takasaki University of Health and Welfare
(Private)	The Jikei University
(Public)	The University of Shiga Prefecture
(Private)	Tohoku Fukushi University
(Private)	Tokiwa University
(Private)	Tokyo City University
(Private)	Tokyo Denki University
(Private)	Tokyo Dental College
(Private)	Tokyo Woman's Christian University
(Private)	Toyo Eiwa University
(Private)	Toyota Technological Institute
(Private)	Tsukuba International University
(Public)	University of Shizuoka
(Private)	University of the Sacred Heart, Tokyo
(Public)	Yamagata Prefectural University of Health Sciences

*FY 2016 Certified Evaluation and Accreditation for Junior College Results*

On accepting the applications for the Certified Evaluation and Accreditation for Junior College from three junior colleges, the JUAA has undertaken the evaluative process. The evaluation including document-analysis and site-visit has been conducted by the Junior College Accreditation Committee with subcommittees.

As a result of the evaluation, the JUAA has finally decided to grant accreditation to 3 junior colleges satisfying the JUAA *Junior College Standards*. The names of those accredited junior colleges are listed below.

(Junior Collage names listed in alphabetical order)

- (Public) Gifu City Women's College
- (Public) Oita Prefectural College of Arts and Culture
- (Public) University of Shizuoka, Junior College

*FY 2016 Certified Evaluation and Accreditation for Professional Graduate Business School Results*

On accepting applications for the Certified Evaluation and Accreditation for Professional Graduate Business School from one school, the JUAA has undertaken the evaluative process. The evaluation including document-analysis and site-visit has been conducted by the Professional Graduate Business School Certified Evaluation and Accreditation Committee with subcommittee.

As a result of the evaluation, the JUAA has finally decided to grant accreditation to the school satisfying the *JUAA Standards for Professional Graduate Business School*. The name of this accredited school is listed below.

- (Private) Entrepreneurship Program, Entrepreneurship Course,  
Graduate Institute for Entrepreneurial Studies

The JUAA's mission is to support higher education institutions' self-improvement. Even institutions which have failed accreditation have an opportunity to be reviewed again in one or two years after the initial review to obtain accreditation (Supplementary Review).

In FY 2016, the JUAA conducted the Supplementary Review for two Business Schools, on which the decision of accreditation status had been unaccredited. As a result of the review, the JUAA has decided to deny accreditation to both business schools due to serious problems that need to be dealt with immediately. The names of the schools are listed below.

- (National) The System Safety Program, Graduate School of Management  
of Technology, Nagaoka University of Technology
- (Private) Kenichi Ohmae Graduate School of Business, Department of  
Management, Master of Business Administration

Of these, Kenichi Ohmae Graduate School of Business has appealed complaint to the decision and it is under examination by the Appeal Committee.

*FY 2016 Certified Evaluation and Accreditation for Professional Graduate Public Policy School Results*

On accepting an application for the Certified Evaluation and Accreditation for Professional Graduate Public Policy School from one school, the JUAA has undertaken the evaluative process. The evaluation including document-analysis and site-visit has been conducted by the Professional Graduate Public Policy School Certified Evaluation and Accreditation Committee with subcommittee.

As a result of the evaluation, the JUAA has finally decided to grant accreditation to the school satisfying the *JUAA Standards for Professional Graduate Public Policy School*. The name of this accredited school is listed below.

(Private) Graduate School of Governance Studies, Meiji University

*FY 2016 Certified Evaluation and Accreditation for Professional Graduate School of Public Health Results*

On accepting an application for the Certified Evaluation and Accreditation for Professional Graduate School of Public Health from one school, the JUAA has undertaken the evaluative process. The evaluation including document-analysis and site-visit has been conducted by the Professional Graduate School of Public Health Certified Evaluation and Accreditation Committee with subcommittee.

As a result of the evaluation, the JUAA has finally decided to grant accreditation to the school satisfying the *JUAA Standards for Professional Graduate School of Intellectual Property Studies*. The name of the accredited school is listed below

(National) The University of Tokyo, School of Public Health

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