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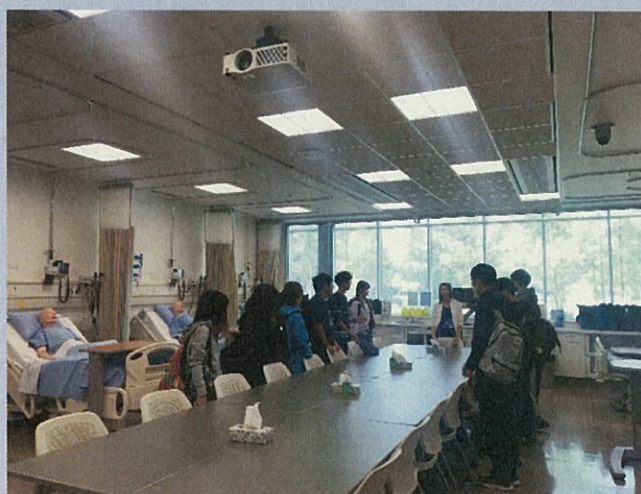
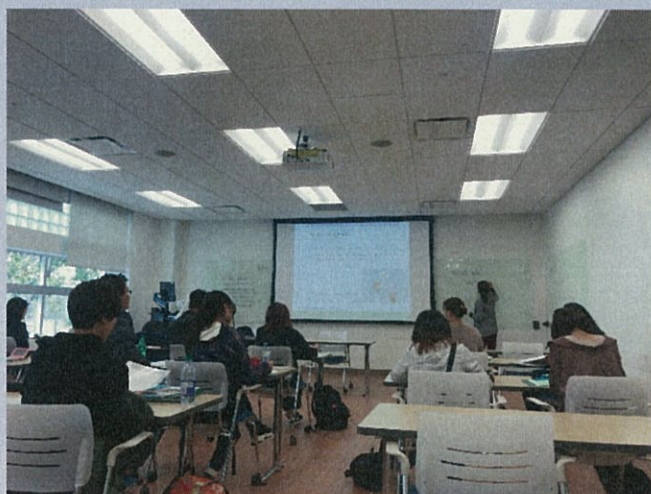
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■ Language study

12 students (School of Medicine: 10; School of Health Sciences: 2) participated in a language study program at University of Alberta (Canada), with which Sapporo Medical University has an exchange agreement. During this time, they improved language abilities thanks to the language study program offered by University of Alberta and they also learned about Canada's medical system through the simulation facility.

- Dispatch period: August 6th (Tue.) – 28th (Wen.)
- Study period: August 8th (Thu.) – 26th (Mon.)



■ Student exchange (clinical training)

Sapporo Medical University has had student exchange programs (clinical training) with China Medical University (Shenyang) since 2009 and the Catholic University of Korea (Seoul) since 2011.

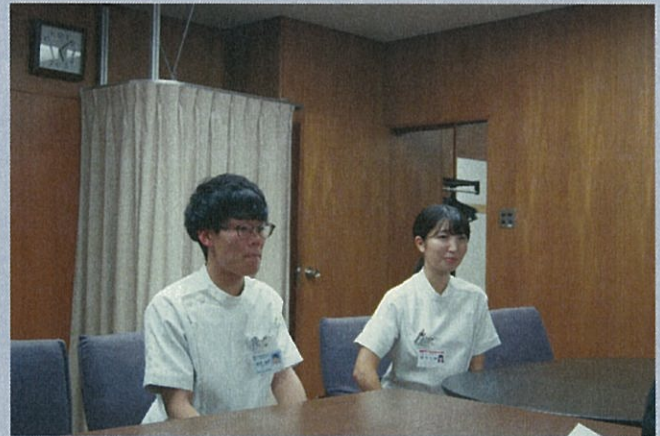
These exchange programs are designed for students in Asia to undertake clinical training together to acquire international perspectives and technical knowledge.

1. Students to China Medical University

Koki Kato and Kana Oda, fifth-year students at Sapporo Medical University's School of Medicine with an interest in clinical training in China, also hoped to learn clinical medicine in English.

They thus received clinical training at China Medical University.

- Dispatch period: November 3rd (Sun.) – November 16th (Sat.)
- Clinical training period: November 4th (Mon.) – November 8th (Fri.):
Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology (Kato); Department of Pediatrics (Oda)
- Clinical training period: November 11th (Mon.) – November 15th (Fri.):
Department of Dermatology (Kato); Department of Anesthesiology (Oda)



2. Students from China Medical University

Zhang Xu and Li Hexiao, fifth-year students at China Medical University's School of Medicine with an interest in medicine in Japan, received clinical training at our university.

- Receiving period: January 5th (Sun.) – January 18th (Sat.)
- Clinical training period: January 6th (Mon.) – January 10th (Fri.):
Department of Perinatal Medicine (Zhang); Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology (Li)
- Clinical training period: January 13th (Mon.) – January 17th (Fri.):
Department of Pediatrics (Zhang); Department of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery (Li)



3. Students to the Catholic University of Korea

Yurie Shizukawa and Ran Watanabe, fifth-year students at Sapporo Medical University's School of Medicine with an interest in clinical training in South Korea, also hoped to learn clinical medicine in English. They thus received clinical training at the Catholic University of Korea.

- Dispatch period: November 3rd (Sun.) – November 30th (Sat.)
- Clinical training period: November 4th (Mon.) – November 15th (Fri.):
Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology (Shizukawa, Watanabe)
- Clinical training period: November 18th (Mon.) – November 29th (Fri.):
Department of Cardiology (Shizukawa, Watanabe)



4. Students from the Catholic University of Korea

Shin Hye Soo and Chang Hee Jae, sixth-year students at the Catholic University of Korea's School of Medicine with an interest in medicine in Japan, received clinical training at our university.

- Receiving period: February 16th (Sun.) – March 14th (Sat.)
- Clinical training period: February 17th (Mon.) – February 28th (Fri.)
Department of Respiratory Medicine and Allergology (Shin)
Department of Perinatal medicine (Chang)
- Clinical training period: March 2nd (Mon.) – March 13th (Fri.):
Department of Cardiovascular, Renal and Metabolic Medicine (Shin);
Department of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery (Chang)



■ Short-term study abroad program for graduate students/research(clinical) fellows

With the aim of further improving its research and educational levels through the fostering of world-class researchers, Sapporo Medical University has carried out since the 2008 academic year a program supporting graduate students/research (clinical) fellows who study overseas for a short period of time.

In the 2019 academic year, Kota Kurihara, graduate school student, received practical training in medicine at Yale University. During the program, he studied such topics as current approaches in translational neuroscience from February 8th (Sat.) – February 23th (Sun.).



■ Medical exchange program for faculty members and researchers

Sapporo Medical University has concluded agreements with the Paulo Foundation (Finland), University of Alberta (Canada), China Medical University, University of Massachusetts (US), Jiamusi University (China) to promote mutual medical exchanges among researchers. In the 2019 academic year, four researchers visited three of these foreign institutions and two researchers from two of these institutions visited our university.

1. Visits from Sapporo Medical University

1) Paulo Foundation (University of Tampere)

- Researcher: Ayako Sumi, Associate Professor, Department of Hygiene, School of Medicine
- Period: September 14th (Sat.) – October 1st (Tue.)

2) University of Alberta

- Researcher: Kazuhiro Sugawara, Assistant Professor, Department of First Division of Nursing, School of Health Sciences
- Period: October 27th (Sun.) – November 10th (Sun.)
- Researcher: Tamae Ogita, Assistant Professor, Department of Second Division of Nursing, School of Health Sciences
- Period: February 2nd (Sun.) – February 16th (Sun.)

3) University of Massachusetts

- Researcher: Naofumi Bunya, Instructor, Department of Emergency Medicine, School of Medicine
- Period: November 3rd (Sun.) – November 15th (Fri.)



2. Visits from foreign institutions

1) Paulo Foundation (Helsinki University)

- Researcher: Pöyhä Reino Torsti Ilmari Adjunct Professor
- Host department: Department of Anesthesiology, School of Medicine
- Period: October 4th (Fri.) – November 26th (Tue.)



2) Jiamusi University

- Researcher: Xu Lei Deputy Director of Occupational Therapy
- Host department: Department of Occupational therapy, School of Health Sciences
- Period: November 1st (Fri.) – November 30th (Sat.)



■ Training for people of Japanese origin

Sapporo Medical University has hosted eight trainees of Japanese origin from Central and South America through a program entrusted by the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) since the 2007 academic year to provide educational and clinical opportunities to learn about physical and occupational therapies.

In the 2019 academic year, the university was entrusted by the Association of Nikkei & Japanese Abroad to host Miri Ikeda (Bolivia) as a JICA trainee of Japanese origin for nine months from May 20th to February 10th.

During her time at the Department of Physical Therapy of the School of Health Sciences, she engaged in research about training centered on Physical Therapy.



■ Student exchange start with Korea University

Sapporo Medical University concluded the student exchange with Korea University on March, 2019.

Ahn Si Hyun and Kim Dahyeon, fifth-year students at China Medical University's School of Medicine with an interest in medicine in Japan, received clinical training at our university.

- Receiving period: January 19th (Sun.) – February 15th (Sat.)
- Clinical training period: January 20th (Mon.) – January 31st (Fri.):
Department of Dermatology (Ahn); Department of Anesthesiology (Kim)
- Clinical training period: February 3rd (Mon.) – February 14th (Fri.):
Department of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery (Ahn); Department of Otolaryngology (Kim)



■ Debriefing

Sapporo Medical University implements exchange programs including the International Medical Exchange Program and holds an annual debrief session on international exchange activities to widely share the results of exchanges and studies by researchers who visit overseas universities and to help develop the university's education and research.

President as well as 36 faculty members and students attended the session in the 2019 academic year.

• Period:

January 20th (Mon.)

• Place:

Education and Research Building C203

• Reports:

Haruyuki Tatsumi, Professor; International Medical Exchange Program (University of Alberta)

Yumi Kuwabara, Associate Professor; International Medical Exchange Program (University of Alberta)

Kazuhiro Sugawara, Associate Professor; International Medical Exchange Program (University of Alberta)

Ayako Sumi, Associate Professor; International Medical Exchange Program (University of Tampere)

Naofumi Bunya, Instructor; International Medical Exchange Program (University of Massachusetts)

Ryo Nishikawa, Instructor; Short-term study abroad program for graduate students/research(clinical) fellows (North Western University)

Chisato Iino, Kazuki Uchida; Visiting students (University of Alberta Language Study Program)

Kana Oda and Koki Kato; Visiting students (The clinical training program at China Medical University)

Yurie Shizukawa and Ran Watanabe; Visiting students (The clinical training program at the Catholic University of Korea)



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