

About us

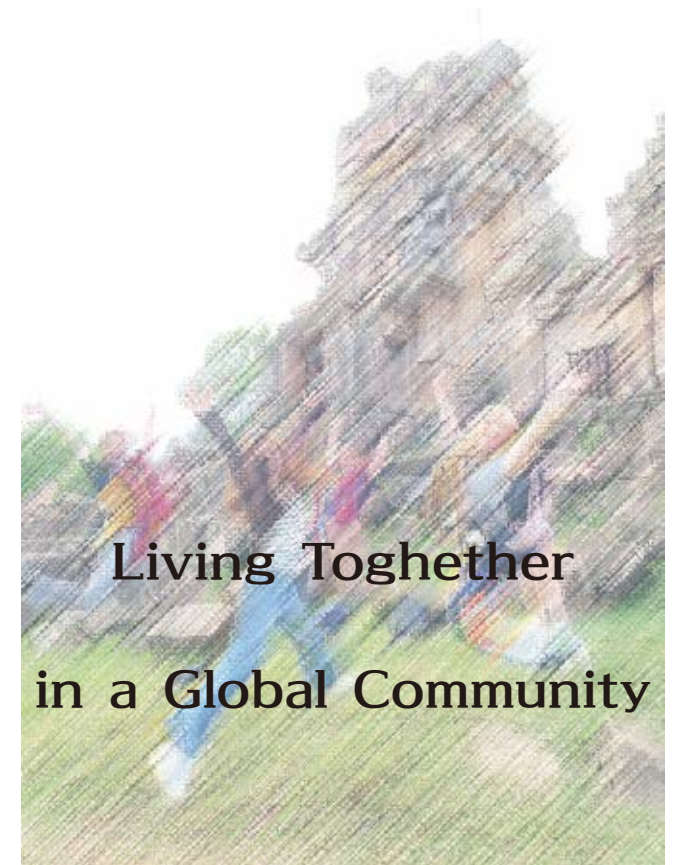
The Global Collaboration Center was founded as the Center for Women's Education and Development, in July 2003 to promote the University's international cooperation in support of women's education. Renamed the Global Collaboration Center in April 2008, the Center has since pursued the broader mission of planning and coordinating the University's educational, research, and social action programs related to peace-building and international collaboration.

Since 2017, the Center has also been providing opportunities to deepen discussions around the "the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and are committed to the University's international cooperation.



Access Map

- 7-minute walk from Myogadani Station on the Tokyo Metro Marunouchi Subway Line
- 8-minute walk from Gokokuji Station on the Tokyo Metro Yurakucho Subway Line
- 1-minute walk from Otsuka 2-chome bus stop on the Toei Bus



Ochanomizu University

Global Collaboration Center (GCC)

2-1-1 Otsuka, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo 112-8610
(3rd Floor, Student Service Building)

TEL/FAX : +81-3-5978-5546

E-mail : info-cwed@cc.ocha.ac.jp

<https://www.cf.ocha.ac.jp/cwed-en/>

Feb. 2026



Global Collaboration Center



Ochanomizu University

Nurturing Women's Leadership to Cope with Global Issues

Support for Overseas Research and Activities

The Center provides support for overseas research and student voluntary activities with the aim of encouraging students to explore, investigate and find solutions to international issues.

- support for overseas research conducted by graduate students
- support for student voluntary activities
- conducting inter-college events
- library services
- JICA Tokyo Special Internship Program
- providing information about international cooperation etc.



Lectures on International Cooperation and NGOs Activities

The faculty of the Center, who have backgrounds in international cooperation and practical experience working with NGOs, provide lectures and exercises. Through pre-study research and fieldwork, students are provided with a chance for deepening their understanding of issues in developing countries and international cooperation, and with the aim of making themselves aware of what has to be done.

【Recent Activities】

- Convivial Global Society (Cambodia/Bhutan study tour)
- Seminar of Liberal Arts (International Cooperation and SDGs)
- Advanced Lecture of International Cooperation
- Peace and Coexistence
- Introduction to NPO • NPO Internship



Initiatives of the Global Collaboration Center

Symposia/Public Lectures/Seminars

The Center aims to foster female leadership by giving students the opportunity to discover challenges, solutions and their own goals through lectures by professionals who are active in SDGs related issues.

【Recent Activities】

- SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals) seminar
- "Understanding the Frontlines of the International Cooperation" seminar series
- Bhutan seminar series
- special lecture on "Seminar on Peace and Coexistence"



Support for Women's Education and Early Childhood Development

Five Women's University Consortium to support women's education in developing countries



As a part of reconstruction support to Afghanistan by the Japanese government, Ochanomizu University, in collaboration with Tsuda University, Tokyo Woman's Christian University, Nara Women's University, and Japan

Women's University, concluded a five women's university Consortium in 2002 to provide training for Afghan female educators. From 2002 through 2012, 169 educators in total participated in the training. Since 2006, the Consortium has expanded its support to women's education in developing countries.

- renewal of the Five Women's University Consortium Agreement (2022)
- liaison councils under the Five Women's University Consortium Agreement (twice a year)
- the Five Women's University Consortium joint study tour in Japan
- credit transfer with Tsuda University and Nara Women's University for courses related to international cooperation, developing countries, and the SDGs

JICA Training Program for Early Childhood Care and Education



Commissioned by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), the training programs have been provided to develop human resource in the field of early childhood care and education, an area of growing importance in develop-

ing countries. From 2006 to 2017, the programs trained 135 participants from ten countries in Central and West Africa. Since 2018, the program has been conducted under the theme of infant care and preschool education for participants from Africa, the Middle East, and Asia. A total of 81 participants have taken part, contributing to human resource development at policy and practical levels.

Information Sharing and Networking

Through "Living Together in a Global Community" Study Group, the Center supports student voluntary activities. Through its mailing list, information about lectures, seminars, and events in/outside the university is provided.

Nonoyama Endowment



Funded by an endowment established with a bequest from the late Emiko Nonoyama, a graduate of Ochanomizu University, since 2012, short-term training program for Afghan women teachers/research-

ers has been provided to support research and strengthened networks, with 16 participants accepted by 2019. Also, in collaboration with Shanti Volunteer Association, a total of 21,600 original picture books with 9 titles have been created and distributed to school libraries in Afghanistan. From 2023, the Center have been engaged in activities centered on cooperation with developing countries, including the Five Women's University Consortium initiatives and support for overseas research on themes related to developing countries.

◆Our activities and reports are available on the following website.

<https://www.cf.ocha.ac.jp/cwed-en/>

