Facility Development and Financial Management To Support Liberal Arts Education in Small Classes

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In order to fulfill the mission to cultivate people who serve God and humankind and make practical contributions to world peace and coexistence, International Christian University (ICU) has endeavored to enrich and strengthen liberal arts education since its establishment. Selected by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) as a "Top Global University Project (FY2014–FY2023)" in FY2014, the University received the highest grade of "S" in the interim evaluations conducted in FY2017 and FY2020, and completed its eighth year in FY2021. Along with advancing the Top Global University Project at ICU, we are making steady progress in promoting the global educational activities of liberal arts.

In an effort to further improve its learning environment, ICU has also been working on campus facility developments. The East Wing of the Diffendorfer Memorial Hall (D-kan) underwent extensive renovations, which were completed in December 2021. The Auditorium was renovated with the latest equipment for air conditioning, lighting, and stage equipment, and individual air conditioning systems were installed in student club rooms. Moreover, an elevator was installed to make the facility barrier-free, and the multipurpose restroom was renovated. D-kan was comprehensively renovated by repairing deteriorated parts with the lapse of time while preserving W.M. Vories' modernist design.

In November 2022, the construction of Troyer Memorial Arts and Sciences Hall, a new educational facility that will provide a "Hub Central" where students and faculty can relax and study with adjacent seminar rooms, as well as large classrooms for large-scale lectures and classes, will be completed. In addition, the Science Hall's current facilities and functions will be transferred there, including faculty offices and laboratories. It will also house several research institutes for social sciences studies and administrative offices.

Furthermore, the University Hall, the Science Hall, the Integrated Learning Center, and other important buildings that have long supported ICU's liberal arts education will sequentially undergo a large-scale renovation. The Science Hall will go through a major renovation after its functions are moved to Troyer Memorial Arts and Sciences Hall, and then renovations of the University Hall will follow.

The funds required for these facility improvements are primarily procured through long-term loans from outside financial institutions in order to ensure the long-term sustainability of the ICU endowment, which supports educational and research activities, and to equalize the burden across generations who use these facilities.

Maintaining ICU's liberal arts education in small group education requires a budget that exceeds revenues such as student tuitions and subsidies. The ICU endowment has long supported education at ICU with the investment gains. The ICU endowment, valued at approximately 56.6 billion yen (current market value) has been invested in various financial assets, such as equities in Japan and abroad. During the past ten years, approximately 13.4 billion yen has been transferred from the endowment to the university budget. The

Endowment Committee, a sub-organization of the Board of Trustees, deliberates and decides on endowment management while consulting with external advisors, advisory committees and others. The investment performance and future policy of the ICU endowment are made public on the University's website.

ICU is a university founded with the goodwill and support of many international individuals, and that tradition continues to this day. In FY2021, the total amount of donations was approximately 279.45 million yen. The Peace Bell Scholarship (PBS) received approximately 49.12 million yen in FY2021, bringing the total amount raised to more than 760 million yen since the start of this fundraising in 2006, enabling 160 students to study as scholars. In addition, in FY2021, a "Pay Forward Fund" was established with the aim of assisting students. Donations will become an even more important factor as we strive for sound financial management while providing a high-quality educational environment on a continuous basis. We would be grateful for your continued support in enriching ICU education and research, including improvements to the educational environment.

Hereafter, the ICU's financial situation for FY2021 is reported. In the first chapter, we report the Statement of Revenues and Expenses as an indicator for assessing financial soundness and safety, as well as the Statement of Cash Flows and the Statement of Financial Position, which are obligated to be prepared in accordance with the accounting standards for educational corporations. In the second chapter, we report the use of external funds at ICU.

1. FY2021 Revenues and Expenses in University Division

The closing figures for the overall FY2021 Revenues and Expenses in the University Division were total revenues of 9,127 million yen (+2,082 million yen from the previous fiscal year) and total expenses of 7,635 million yen (+409 million yen from the previous fiscal year).

Regarding the Educational Activities Category, the difference between revenues and expenses was -1,418 million yen, a decrease of 240 million yen from the previous fiscal year. In terms of revenues, while the auxiliary enterprise income and miscellaneous incomes increased by 195 million yen, subsidies for ordinary expenses, etc., decreased by 82 million yen, and student tuition and fees, etc., decreased by 40 million yen. In terms of expenses, personnel expenses (including the transfers to retirement allowance reserves) increased by 231 million yen, and education, research, and administrative expenses (including depreciation) increased by 81 million yen. The auxiliary enterprise income (including dormitory fees), personnel expenses as well as education, research, and administrative expenses, which had decreased in the previous year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, increased with the gradual recovery of education and research activities.

As regards the Non-educational Activities Category, the difference between revenues and expenses was +2,880 million yen (+1,886 million yen compared to the previous fiscal year). The significant increase was mainly because of increases in realized profits accrued by ICU endowment management, which contributed to increases in interest earned and investment income.

The total difference (combined revenue and expenses) between the Educational Activities and the Noneducational Activities was +1,462 million yen, +1,646 million yen compared to the previous fiscal year.

In the Special Activities Category, the difference between revenues and expenses was +30 million yen, +27 million yen compared to the previous fiscal year. This rise was mainly because of increased donations for

facilities and equipment, as well as increased subsidies.

The sum of the differences between revenues and expenses for the three categories (Educational Activities, Non-educational Activities, and Special Activities) before transfers to capital funds was +1,492 million yen, an increase of 1,673 million yen from the previous fiscal year.

As a result, in FY2021, the total difference between revenues and expenses after transfers to capital funds (i.e., the difference between revenues and expenses for Educational Activities + difference between revenues and expenses for Non-educational Activities + difference between revenues and expenses for Special Activities - transfers to capital funds) showed significant improvement with a surplus of revenues over expenses of 1,143 million yen.

Taking into account the unique financial structure of ICU, which stems from ICU's education in small classes (see Tables 1 and 2), we strive to operate the ICU endowment with the aim of supporting education and research initiatives. At the same time, we will continue to strive to maintain a balanced financial situation through fundraising efforts, acquisitions of outside funding (such as project subsidies and competitive research funds), and income from our solar power generation business (profit-making business), cost-cutting, effective budgeting, and improving operational efficiency through the promotion of information technology.

Item	ICU	Private Universities (excluding medical and dental universities)	Japan Association of Private Universities and Colleges (JAPUC) Member Universities (humanities and social sciences)
Personnel	1,226	733	691
Educational and Research	418	411	377
Administrative	296	89	79
Interest Paid on Debt	19	2	2
Scheduled Principal Paid on Debt	154	31	29
Facilities	519	139	161
Equipment	53	50	36
Total	2,685	1,454	1,375

Table 1: Expenses per Student (FY2020)

Unit: thousand yen

Table 2: Educational Environment (FY2020)

	ICU	Average for Private Universities
Number of Students per Full-time Faculty	22	26
Number of Students per Full-time Staff Member	26	41
Number of Books per Student	252	
Campus Area per Student	195 m ²	
Building area per student	31 m^2	

The average for private universities refers to the average of JAPUC member universities.
 Source: Data on the financial pictures of member universities (FY2020 account settlements, JAPUC)
 The number of students is the total number of undergraduate and graduate students.

2. Use of External Funds

ICU has obtained a wide variety of project subsidies, contract research funds, etc. as external funds and is effectively utilizing them for educational and research activities. Highlights include the MEXT Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research (*Kakenhi*), MEXT 21st Century Center of Excellence Program (COE), MEXT Programs to Support University Education Reforms, and MEXT Top Global University Project.

- (1) MEXT Program COE (Center of Excellence): 520 million yen (FY2003 FY2007)
- MEXT Programs to Support University Education Reforms through National, Public, and Private Universities: 270 million yen (FY2003 FY2009)
 (Distinctive University Education Support Program [Good Practice, i.e., GP];
 Program to Promote Internationalization of University Education [Strategic Support for International Collaboration]; Initiatives for Attractive Education in Graduate Schools; Support for Research in Advanced Education Overseas, etc.)
- (3) MEXT Project for Promotion of Global Human Resource Development: 87 million yen (FY2012 -FY2014) *integrated with the Top Global University Project in FY2014
- (4) MEXT Top Global University Project: 1.42 billion yen in total (planned) (FY2014 FY2023)

The following table is a summary of MEXT Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research (*Kakenhi*: government grants and subsidies) and contract research funds that ICU obtained from FY2017 to FY2021, which are the vital funding source for building ICU's research foundation. (*Please note that MEXT Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research (*Kakenhi*) are not included in ICU's accounting. Instead, they are distributed selectively among individual researchers and research groups according to their research achievements.)

				Unit.	immon yen
Fiscal Year Type of External Fund	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021
MEXT Grants-in-Aid for Scientific	77.8	84.8	64.2	73.1	75.0
Research (Kakenhi)					
Contract Research Funds, etc. ⁽¹⁾	20.6	20.0	41.8	27.3	26.7
Total	98.4	104.8	106.0	100.4	101.7

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 (1) Contract Research Funds, etc.: External research funds other than MEXT Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research. E.g., contract research funds, joint research funds, and donations to support education and research.

Unit: million yen

			T Luin		Consolidated	: thousand ye Amount for	
			University		School Juridical Person		
			FY 2021	Compared with FY 2020	FY 2021	Compared wit FY 2020	
		Student tuition and fees	4,424,575	△ 8,962	5,098,406	\triangle 19,99	
ties		Entrance exam and other processing fees	87,739	△ 11,612	116,040	△ 12,89	
	Revenues	Donations	197,127	△ 19,180	224,790	△ 12,11	
		Subsidies	605,084	△ 81,685	921,855	△ 85,43	
Educational activities	Re	Auxiliary enterprises	363,344	89,493	443,006	125,62	
ıl act		Miscellaneous	226,407	105,185	251,077	65,5	
tiona		Total	5,904,276	73,239	7,055,174	60,76	
duca		Personnel	4,089,514	231,463	4,899,662	148,49	
Ē	es	Education, research, and administrative expenses	2,168,424	30,261	2,401,930	8,50	
	Expenses	Depreciation	1,064,024	50,988	1,225,951	60,57	
	Ex	Uncollectible payments	752	752	752	75	
		Total	7,322,714	313,464	8,528,295	218,33	
	Dif	ference between revenues and expenses	△ 1,418,438	△ 240,225	△ 1,473,121	△ 157,57	
s	es	Interest and investment income	3,094,842	1,949,193	3,203,692	1,949,79	
activities	Revenues	Other	41,000	△ 1,000	41,000	△ 1,00	
l acti	Re	Total	3,135,842	1,948,193	3,244,692	1,948,79	
iona	es	Interest paid on debt	83,311	22,706	94,165	25,65	
lucat	Expenses	Other	172,510	39,370	172,510	39,37	
Non-educationa	Ex	Total	255,821	62,076	266,675	65,02	
Ž	Dif	ference between revenues and expenses	2,880,021	1,886,117	2,978,017	1,883,70	
		between educational and non- onal activities	1,461,583	1,645,892	1,504,896	1,726,1	
		Proceeds from sales of assets	0	0	0		
expenses	Revenues	Other	87,163	60,603	97,399	70,43	
	Rev	Total	87,163	60,603	97,399	70,48	
Special revenues and	es	Loss on disposal of assets	56,617	33,412	57,947	26,3	
even	Expemses	Other	0	0	0		
ial re	ExJ	Total	56,617	33,412	57,947	26,3	
Spec	Dif	ference between revenues and expenses	30,546	27,191	39,452	44,13	
		nce between revenues and expenses	1,492,129	1,673,083	1,544,348	1,770,32	
		ransfers to capital funds ansfers to capital funds	△ 349,056	209,299	△ 428,352	139,08	
Diff	ferer	nce between revenues and expenses	1,143,073	1,882,382	1,115,996	1,909,40	
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		evenues	9,127,281	2,082,035	10,397,265	2,080,04	
. 00		xpenses	7,635,152	408,952	8,852,917	309,7	

Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the Year Ended March 31, 2022

*Consolidated Amount for School Juridical Person	Juridical Person Uni	
	FY 2021	Compared with FY 2020
Revenues		
Student tuition and fees	5,098,406	△ 19,992
Entrance exam and other processing fees	116,040	△ 12,898
Donations	283,076	43,581
Subsidies	948,324	\triangle 69,178
Proceeds from sales of assets	0	(
Auxiliary enterprises	484,006	124,626
Investment income	3,203,692	1,949,793
Miscellaneous	240,443	55,864
Loans	5,354,000	2,781,000
Unearned revenue	779,353	63,054
Other	652,738	△ 1,041,849
Cash inflow adjustments	△ 883,930	△ 21,883
Cash carried over from previous year	2,647,784	572,644
Total	18,923,932	4,424,762
Expenses		
Personnel	4,946,597	185,407
Education, research, and administrative expenses	2,566,423	45,864
Interest paid on debt	94,165	25,656
Schedules principal paid on debt	1,254,421	675,503
Facilities	4,689,533	2,261,998
Equipment	139,253	\triangle 65,855
Transfer to capital fund(s), etc.	3,024,405	1,913,067
Other	414,910	10,718
Cash outflow adjustments	△ 304,909	△ 78,946
Cash carried over to next year	2,099,134	△ 548,650
Total	18,923,932	4,424,762

Statement of Cash Flows for the Year Ended March 31, 2022

Statement of Financial Position at March 31, 2022

*Consolidated Amount for School Juridical Person	Unit: thousand yen	
Assets		
Noncurrent assets	73,542,804	
Property, plant and equipment	29,168,992	
Designated assets	43,904,127	
Other assets	469,685	
Current assets	2,270,900	
Total	75,813,704	

Liabilities and Net Assets	
Noncurrent liabilities	14,822,617
Current liabilities	1,964,890
Capital funds	56,214,798
Balance carried forward to next year	2,811,399
Total	75,813,704