# !! Welcome to ICU !!

As you begin to read this introduction to the "Third Women's Dormitory"...

After you finish reading this article, I'm sure you'll be thinking,

"I definitely want to join the Third Women's Dorm!"

Let us welcome you to the Third Women's Dormitory, full of charm and excitement!



#### <The members of Third Women's Dormitory>

Third Women's Dormitory (Sanjo for short) has the longest history of all the dormitories in ICU. Every "Sanjo"member is full of individuality, as if they were a "circus" troupe (or even like a zoo)!

This photo is exactly what it is like.

In addition, Sanjo is a "mostly self-governing dormitory" and has its own culture and rules. Each and every one of us has responsibility for the students and the dormitory, and cooperates with each other. I am so proud of them!

### <Management of the dormitory>

Sanjo runs the dormitory mostly on their own, and there are unique rules and regulations within the dormitory. All Sanjo students are required to participate in the monthly "dormitory meetings". In addition, to keep the dormitory a clean and livable environment, each student belongs to a committee (Environment Committee, Life Committee, etc.) and is assigned a job, which they are responsible for fulfilling to live in Sanjo. They are also expected to eventually become a core member of the dormitory management (dorm head, chairperson, committee chairperson, etc.).

The "management" of the dormitory is achieved when each of us takes responsibility and performs the assigned tasks. To keep the dormitory a comfortable place to live for everyone, we discuss various issues, and although there are sometimes conflicts, we believe that respecting each other's opinions and overcoming challenges leads to personal growth. Therefore, if you are just looking for <u>a place to sleep</u> or <u>an inexpensive place to live</u>, Sanjo is not the right place for you. By joining this dormitory, you must be prepared to cooperate with the management of Sanjo. The dormitory association and committees seem like a hassle. You may think, "Wouldn't it be easier to live alone? However, it is precise because you take responsibility and manage your affairs in this way so that you can be independent. I believe these are reasons I can become so attached to the sanjyo girs!

#### <Culture and Events>

Sanjo has many unique cultures and events. **The "nickname" culture is one of them.** On the day you enter the dormitory, seniors will ask you questions and give you unique nicknames based on your answers. This will be your nickname throughout your four years at Sanjo, and your life as a Sanjo student will begin. From there, there are countless events throughout the year, such as

cherry blossom viewing, initiation, bake sales, Christmas parties, and many more, so you will make many memories.

In addition, the cultural events that were suspended due to the Corona Pandemic have been restored, and we are sure that events with other dormitories will become even more exciting. By participating in these cultural events, your dormitory life will become an irreplaceable treasure!









# <Introduction to each floor and facilities> Social Room



This is, after all, a place of relaxation for the sanjyo students. Everyone eats together, and movies and sports games are regularly held on the screen, a gift from the alumni.

In addition, there is a huge collection of manga and books left behind by past seniors. The books and manga of the sanjyo collection are a must-see. Furthermore, the monthly "dorm meeting," a valuable opportunity for all dorm residents to get together and discuss dorm matters, as well as parties and events held several times a year, are also held here.

#### **Tatami Room**

The Tatami room is at the back of the social room. The kotatsu, which is very useful in the winter season, is a perfect partner for the sanjyo. We can chat, hold study sessions, or just fall asleep... It is also a place where they can chat, hold study sessions, or just fall asleep...



#### Kitchenette

Fully equipped with cooking utensils, the kitchen was newly remodeled in 2021, and it has been a great motivator for the students to cook! Each student is given a place to store their condiments, making this a very convenient kitchen.

This is the perfect place to start cooking for yourself as it is a hangout place for the sanjyo girls who are good at cooking!

#### Laundry room

Two automatic washing machines

1 dryer

Free of charge!!!





#### **Bathroom**

You can talk to different people in the bathroom every day. **Available 24 hours a day!** There is one large bathtub and four showers. Because you are naked, you can talk about anything, and before you know it, it's that time of the day and your skin is wrinkled...

#### **Study Room**

The study room is perfect place to concentrate. Even the most boisterous of students can feel differently in this room. During midterms and finals, students busy with assignments and tests gather here to encourage each other and share snacks and juice as we greet the dawn...



#### Rooms (2nd and 3rd floor)

The small size of the rooms makes it easy to **get along** with roommates. Rooms are generally for two people, and roommates change once a year in February. Rooms are furnished with a bed, a chest of drawers, a closet, a study desk, a chair, a bookshelf, and there is one refrigerator in each room (in some rooms, seniors have a microwave oven). Compared to other dormitories, the rooms are a little smaller, so you can

be mindful not to add things unnecessarily and not to waste money.

# Rooftop, clothes-drying area, and trunk room (4th floor)

The rooftop is a storage room for suitcases and large luggage, as well as a place to dry clothes. The rooftop, which occupies the entire area of Sanjo, is a luxurious place where you can enjoy the changing scenery of each season to your heart's content and also enjoy a view of the beautiful starlit sky.

#### <Message from Dormitory President>

How did you like it? I'm happy if I have given you some idea of the various aspects of 3WD, from the lively atmosphere to the strict atmosphere with rules and regulations. In fact, many current 3WD students have become interested in the Third Women's Dormitory after reading this introduction and watching the YouTube video! I also have actually entered the dormitory and feel that I made the right choice in choosing this dormitory because the life of 3WD is beyond my imagination. Whenever I am in trouble or worried, someone is always there for me. Also, we don't use honorifics among the students, and we are able to build friendships that break down the barriers between seniors and juniors based on mutual respect. Because we are all close friends regardless of nationality or grade, everyone gives us advice on classes, graduation theses, job

hunting, and love life. Furthermore, we celebrate birthdays together, and when I get sick, they take care of me. In these moments, I feel that I am not alone.

The residents are unique and interesting. A cozy space with constant laughter. A place where people are always saying "welcome home" and "itterashai" to each other. The Third Women's Dormitory is the most important place for me to be myself. Every day I spend my time here, feeling happy to be a Sanjo girl. I feel this way because I have friends with whom I can share my joy, anger, sorrow, and happiness 24 hours a day. We are sincerely looking forward to welcoming new students who will make this historic third women's dormitory even more exciting!

For those who want to know more about the contents of the Third Women's Dormitory, YouTube search (Student Dormitories - Daisan Girls' Dormitory)
Instagram (icu\_3wd\_ossanjo)

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