The University of Aizu Policy for Internal Quality Assurance of Education

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The University of Aizu (hereinafter referred to as "UoA") has established the following policy to promote internal quality assurance of education.

1. Basic Principles

To achieve the educational objectives and targets set out in the Statutes of UoA, the UoA Academic Regulations, and the "Image of an Independent Engineer," UoA shall carry out inspections and evaluations of its educational activities. Additionally, UoA shall promote internal quality assurance initiatives based on the basic policy of the medium-term goals set by Fukushima Prefecture.

2. Evaluation Organization

The Evaluation Office is designated as the organization responsible for internal quality assurance of education. The Academic Affairs Committee and the Faculty Development Promotion Committee (hereinafter referred to as "Committees") shall be responsible for improving the quality of education based on the instructions of the Dean. The Committees will undertake activities to improve the quality of education as directed by the Dean. Additionally, the Working Group for Internal Quality Assurance is established as a subordinate organization of the Evaluation Office.

3. Procedures for Internal Quality Assurance of Education

(1) In implementing the internal quality assurance of education at UoA, the WG shall implement the PDCA (Plan-Do-Check-Act) cycle in a continuous and systematic manner, based on the guidelines of the MEXT and the National Institution for Academic Degrees and Quality Enhancement of Higher Education.

(2) The Dean shall approve the plans formulated by the Committees each academic year and instruct the Committees and faculty members to implement the plans. This effort includes both short-term (within one year) and long-term (multi-year) initiatives.

(3) The Evaluation Office shall evaluate the results of activities for internal quality assurance every academic year. The results of such evaluations shall be reported at the Council for Education and Research, with a notification sent to the Dean.

4. Policies for Education

(1) UoA shall formulate Diploma Policy, Curriculum Policy, Admission Policy, and Learning and Educational Achievement Goals (hereinafter referred to as "Policies") and conduct educational activities based on them. These Policies will be reviewed based on the status of academic achievement, changes in social needs, and the medium-term goals and plans of the public university corporation, the University of Aizu.

(2) Curriculums, syllabi, etc. will be developed based on the Policies, and education will be provided according to the characteristics of the subjects. These will be continuously and systematically evaluated and reviewed in response to changes in learning outcomes, social needs, etc.

(3) Educational activities will be verified through understanding educational methods, content, actual student conditions, etc., and efforts will be made to maintain and improve educational standards.

5. Third-Party Evaluation

UoA will improve the quality of its education and ensure the appropriateness of selfassessment by reflecting the results of evaluations conducted by accreditation bodies, etc.

6. Publication of the Status of Educational Activities

To fulfill accountability to society and promote understanding of UoA's education and research activities, UoA will promote the publication of the results of studies and the status of educational activities. The results of self-assessment and evaluation of the internal quality assurance of education will be reported to the Council for Education and Research and published on the university's website.