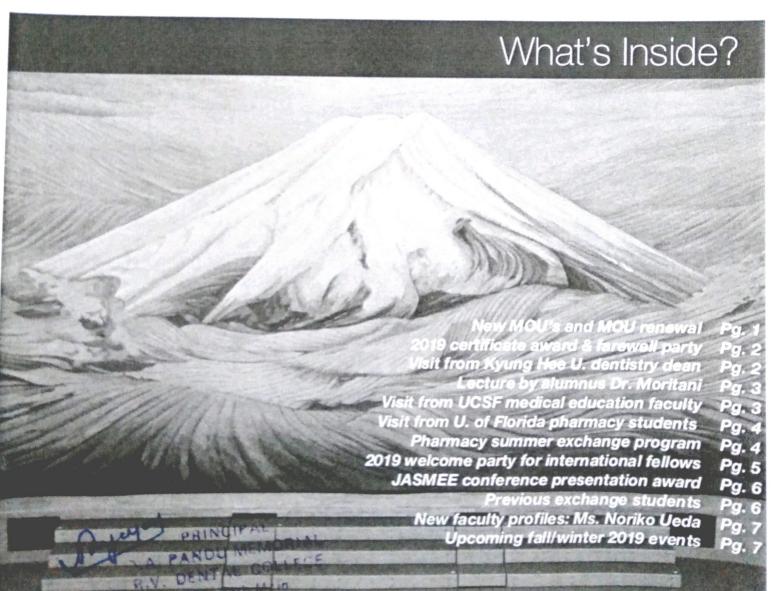
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Main hall of the new Showa University Kamijo Memorial Hall. The curtain incorporates a new luminescent thread technique that creates the illusion Mt. Fuji is floating in this one of a kind design



New MOU's and MOU renewal

On March 8, 2019, the Central Chest Institute of Thailand (CCIT) and Showa University School of Medicine concluded a memorandum of understanding (MOU) at Showa University Koto Toyosu Hospital. This is our first MOU with a medical institute that is not attached to a medical school.



After the signing ceremony, Dr. Yamaguchi (Professor, Koto Toyosu Hospital Cardiovascular Diseases Center) gave our visitors a tour of Koto Toyosu Hospital. They saw our advanced operating rooms and our ICU beds that are equipped with the eICU monitoring program (we are the first hospitals in Asia to introduce this system).

Showa University has already sent two doctors from Koto Toyosu Hospital Cardiovascular Diseases Center to study abroad at CCIT and two nurses to participate in short-term training programs there. With the conclusion of this new MOU, a wide range of exchange of activities are expected in the future.

On March 29, 2019, a new memorandum of understanding (MOU) was concluded between D.A. Pandu Memorial R.V. Dental College & Hospital (DAPMRVDC; Bangalore, India) and Showa University School of Dentistry. This marks the 18th exchange agreement signed by our School of Dentistry, and the first one with a dental school in India.



After the signing ceremony concluded, Dr. Iyengar (Principal, DAPMRVDC) visited the International Exchange Center, where she toured the dormitories available for our international postgraduate fellows and exchange students, and discussed more about future exchange possibilities.

Three faculty from DAPMRVDC have already studied at Showa University as international postgraduate fellows. With the conclusion of this MOU, DAPMRVDC faculty now have greater opportunity to participate in that program. This agreement also opens the possibility of student exchange.



Showa University held our annual Portland State University (PSU) Summer Program from July 24-August 8. Dr. Hashimoto (Professor, International Exchange Center) also attended this year's PSU program as a faculty chaperone. During her visit to Portland at that time, Dr.

Hashimoto helped conclude a MOU renewal between PSU and Showa University. Next year marks the 15th anniversary of the PSU Summer Program.

During the MOU signing, she discussed with Ron L. Witczak, Executive Director of Office of International Affairs at PSU, about organizing a conference to commemorate this wonderful achievement!



2019 certificate award & farewell party



On March 5, 2019, Showa University held their annual Certificate Award Ceremony and Farewell party for the international fellows completing that year's

International Postgraduate Program. 10 fellows from 5 countries (Bangladesh, China, Egypt, Madagascar, and Vietnam) received their certificate awards from President Ryohei Koide at the ceremony. Also attending as honored guests were representatives from the embassies of Bangladesh, Egypt, Madagascar, and Vietnam.

Afterwards, a farewell party was held to celebrate the international fellows' achievements. Dr. Yoshio Ogawa, Dean of School of Medicine, started the party with a toast congratulating the fellows. During the



party, each fellow was introduced by their advisor, who told the audience of their contributions and achievements during their one-year

stay. Finally, one of the international fellows, Dr. Fidy Randriamihajamalala of Madagascar who studied at the Department of Anesthesiology, offered words of thanks and gratitude on behalf of the other fellows.



Visit from Kyung Hee U. dentistry dear

As part of exchange activities between Kyung Hee University in Seoul and Showa University, Dean Kung-Rock Kwon of the School of Dentistry was invited to our university on March 6 and 7, 2019, to give a guest talk about his dental school's current exchange activities at our university's "International Exchange Seminar". Kyung Hee University has had a sister school agreement with our university since 2000.



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On the first day, Dean Kwon met Dr. Miyazaki, Dean of School of Dentistry, and The OR's International Exchange Center faculty to discuss future exchange possibilities. He then toured



Showa University Dental Hospital, and afterwards, gave his seminar talk to a large crowd of faculty and students. On the next day, he attended Showa University's graduation

ceremony and School of Dentistry Degree Award Ceremony. As a special guest at the Degree Award Ceremony, Dean Kwon offered words of advice to our graduating dental students and their families.

Along with meeting many of our dental faculty,

Dean Kwon also could reconnect with two of our graduating dental students who participated in a foreign sclinical elective program at Kyung Hee University last year.



Lecture by alumnus Dr. Moritani

As part of our "Career Support Center/ International Exchange Center Seminar" series, we invited School of Medicine alumnus Dr. Toshio Moritani to give a talk at the Hatanodai campus on April 1, 2019. Since his 30's, Dr. Moritani has worked as a researcher and professor throughout the U.S. – first at the



University of Rochester Medical Center, then the University Iowa, and currently at the University of Michigan as a Professor of Radiology.

Many students were eager to hear of his experiences working in the U.S. and living in an English-speaking country. Especially for those students interested in working/living in the U.S., this seminar offered them a rare opportunity to directly ask questions to someone who accomplished such a goal. Common questions topics included advice or strategies for improving English and for taking the USMLE,

the test required for medical licensure in the United States.

This seminar proved so popular that a second seminar was held on June 16! Students had the opportunity to ask even more questions and



new students who couldn't attend the April 1 seminar had another chance to listen to and meet Dr. Moritani. We will continue to host this seminar series for our students and residents and look forward to inviting Dr. Moritani back to Showa University again soon!



Visit from UCSF medical education faculty

From April 22-24, 2019, Professor Anna Chang and Associate Professor John Davis from the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) Department of Clinical Medicine visited Showa University to discuss their newly revised medical curriculum at UCSF and to offer feedback about Showa University's medical student education.



During their visit, Dr. Chang and Dr. Davis gave a presentation on their medical school's curriculum to our Dean of School of Medicine and other

faculty at our university, followed by an extensive discussion about medical education. They then toured our hospitals, where they talked to students on clinical rotations about their experiences and impressions of their education in the hospital, and listened in on



medical students' lectures. They also visited the International Exchange Center, where they

heard about the various international exchange opportunities for our medical students, such as our study-abroad programs and activities organized by our center for students to interact with our exchange students and international guests.

At the end of the visit, Dr. Chang and Dr. Davis offered their advice and suggestions on ways to improve our medical school curriculum and discussed possible

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issues – some common in both countries, some unique to Japan's educational system – with our faculty.

Visit from U. of Florida pharmacy students

From April 13-15, 2019, the School of Pharmacy and IEC welcomed 11 pharmacy students from the University of Florida and their leader, Dr. Randall Doty, who visited us last year.

On their first day, the group went on a tour of our Hatanodai campus included the that International Exchange they where Center. watched an introductory Showa video about University. Later. Prof. Hashimoto and Assoc.

Prof. Hiraizumi from the

IEC also introduced the students to the Japanese tea ceremony and performed a tea ceremony in front of them. Afterwards, the students had the matcha and traditional Japanese sweets and some tried to make macha by themselves! The first day

ended with a joint student seminar and small party with our pharmacy students, where the UF students had the chance to interact and enjoy time with our pharmacy students,

On the second day, the group toured our main

hospital and the hospital pharmaceutics department. Here, they learned more about role of pharmacists in Japan. On the final day, they toured the School of Herbarium, Pharmacy where they learned about natural of use medical and medicines plants in Japan.

It was a great visit, and we

will soon conclude a formal exchange agreement with the University of Florida and hope to send a group of our pharmacy students there in the summer!



Pharmacy summer exchange program

Since 2011, the School of Pharmacy has invited exchange students from Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (ACPHS; U.S.A) and Mahasarakham University (MSU; Thailand) to participate in a summer exchange program together. The benefit of such arrangement is that students can interact with people from a variety of backgrounds at the same time and learn about the culture and pharmacy system of three countries – Japan, U.S.A., and Thailand.





The International Exchange Center also organizes several educational and cultural activities during the program to encourage exchange between these students and Showa University students. This year included a demonstration on Japanese tea ceremony and

lesson on medical benefits of green tea, a oneday tour to Hama Rikyu gardens and Asakusa, and the chance to attend a professional baseball game at Tokyo Dome.

This year, students from the Faculty of Pharmacy at Taipei Medical University (TMU), which concluded an exchange agreement with the School of



Pharmacy in 2017, were also invited to participate in the program. While they could not attend at the same time as the ACPHS and MSU students, 2 TMU students participated in a modified program for 3 weeks. During their stay, they attended a Bon Odori dance flestival. at Hatanodai campus with IEC faculty and staff. MOF

From next year the pharmacy school aims by a arrange a program time that exchange atudents from all three university can attend to get her and the IEC will continue to create new activities and events to foster student exchange.

2019 welcome party for international fellows



On May 20, 2019, Showa University celebrated the newly arrived international postgraduate fellows at the 2019 Welcome Party for International Research Fellows. This year's event was held at the recently built Showa University Kamijo Memorial Hall, which coincided with the 90th anniversary of Showa University.

From this April, 11 fellows from Algeria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, China, Egypt, Madagascar, Myanmar, and Thailand arrived to Japan and have already started their training in our hospitals and research laboratories. Showa University President Ryohei Koide provided opening remarks and later, each fellow, along with a faculty from their sponsored department, came up and introduced themselves in English and/or Japanese in front of the audience.





At the party, the ambassador from the Republic of Madagascar, H.E Ms. Mireille Rakotomalala, and representatives from the fellows' embassies of Bosnia and Herzegovina, China, Egypt, and Myanmar also attended and offered words of encouragement to the fellows to study hard.



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ATTENDING 2019 INTERNATIONAL FELLOWS		
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Fatma Zahra Sakhri	Algeria	Physiology (Medicine)
Doaa Ahmed El-Biomey Mansour	Egypt	General & Gastroenterological Surgery (Medicine)
Nang Khin Lay Naung	Myanmar	Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery (Medicine)
Liu Zhenyu	China	Gastroenterology, Fujigaoka Hospital (Medicine)
Usama Mohamed Abdelaal Abdelkadar	Egypt	Digestive Disease Center, Northern Yokohama Hospital (Medicine)
Aung Thet Oo	Myanmar	Digestive Disease Center, Northern Yokohama Hospital (Medicine)
Natasa Trtic	Bosnia & Herzegovina	Oral Microbiology & Immunology (Dentistry)
Jacques Adrien Ramangason	Madagascar	Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery (Dentistry)
Tahina Ratsirarisoa	Madagascar	Orthodontics (Dentistry)
Wiraphol Phimarn	Thailand	Biological Chemistry (Pharmacy)
Bao Min	China	Neurosurgery, Fujigaoka Hospital (Medicine)

JASMEE conference presentation award

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5th-year, Dentistry: Mahasaraswati University Denpasar

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I was born and raised in Osaka, and I like doing yoga, visiting temples and shrines, and eating! Please let me know if you have "to recommend list" of temples, shrines, restaurants or bakeries.

My major at the university was English, and I always try to have as much international experiences as possible. For example, I've gone

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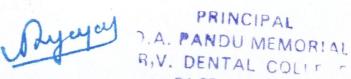
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Fri, Oct 18, 2019 at 12:17 PM

Dear Prof. Michael Myers,

We had sent a mail to you regarding the student exchange programme for the year 2020. However, we would like to know the status of the same. Dr.B.V.Subhash, Reader, Department of Oral Medicine & Radiology is Coordinator for the same.

With regards,

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