## The Jiyu Gakuen-style liberal arts

In general, a "liberal arts education" refers to an education that aims to develop well-rounded individuals possessing knowledge in a broad range of fields, without leaning towards one particular area. At Jiyu Gakuen, however, we want something more.

In today's society, we truly require people who are able to get to the root of problems to try and find solutions. Our college curriculum ranges in a wide variety of fields, and we aim to cultivate students' abilities in practical applications that go beyond one field or subject so that they can put their knowledge to work solving problems.

In addition, a highly sophisticated "group research" program is included as part of our curriculum to enhance students' abilities. While at most universities, students finish their coursework with some form of individual presentation, Jiyu Gakuen students also have the opportunity to engage in group research. This enables students to better develop collaborative communication skills.

The Jiyu Gakuen-style liberal arts program makes full use of the school's unique continuous education system. Because our students have already laid the intellectual groundwork down during the earlier stages of their school life at Jiyu Gakuen, they are able to really take off and make great intellectual strides during their college years.

The Role of the College



## Our graduates

Our graduates have gone on to develop successful careers in a broad range of fields. In business, many Jiyu Gakuen graduates are found in such fields as advertising, information technology, media, and banking—both for companies as well as in their own businesses. Many others are working as academics, educators, architects, doctors, dentists, CPAs, certified tax accountants, judicial scriveners, lawyers, and patent attorneys. Some graduates have gone on to pursue art and are engaged in highly creative careers, including film directors, photographers, musicians, artists, potters, and actors. Jiyu Gakuen graduates are also known for their contributions in the fields of welfare and international cooperation. It is guite unique that one can find such a diverse graduates base coming out of a small, liberal-arts college. We pride ourselves on our graduates for they are the fruits of Jiyu Gakuen's truly unique and rich educational experience. We do not ask our students to use their precious time and energies to study for entrance exams, nor do we screen them by a uniform examination system. Our aim is rather to respect each student's ability, personality, and unique value and give them an opportunity where they can flourish.

Having graduates pursuing careers in famous companies is not our educational goal. Rather, Jiyu Gakuen's goal is to see as many of our students as possible out in the real work contributing to society in their own unique and respective ways.



A seminar presentation



Practical archaeology lab program



Nepal work camp