

Greetings from the President's Office

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President's Responsibilities

Just about 6 months have passed since I assumed my duties as AIU President. It was the beginning of June, when the Akita cedars surrounding this campus were in transition from spring fresh green to summery deep green. Now it is November when we need to prepare for winter, especially as we had our first snow the other day. It is astonishing how time flies so quickly.

I thought I knew what the role of university President entails, since I have previously served as President at another university; however, there seem to be slight differences between universities, which reflect each university's unique characteristics. Nevertheless, the duties a president has to accomplish are common. First, passion and service for students; a university consists of faculty and staff members as well as students, and it is these who must take precedence. Our priority is the students' life, growth and future.

The second mission is to keep being enthusiastic about the university, and it is therefore necessary for me to keep in good shape in order to accomplish this mission. Thirdly, strategic thinking, which is based on imagination and the ability to project one's ideas into the future is necessary. Fourthly, patience is a prerequisite for carrying out the President's responsibilities, and this takes much time and effort to achieve.

All these duties require all-round ability, and I am aware of the importance of this, and believe that I am ready for it.

I am glad to announce that I will issue my opinions/thoughts through this letter occasionally with the hope of increasing communication between all of you and me. In this letter, you will find what I would like to tell you, including "Open Day of the President's Office", which notes the next time when I will be available to meet all students without any appointment. I am looking forward to seeing many AIU students in person here in my office. Please remember that my passion and service for students are my priority.



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The 1st Open Day of the President's Office

December 3rd, Tuesday

4 p.m. to 5 p.m.