

# INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC EXCHANGES



Since it was founded in 1975, Shiga University of Medical Science (SUMS) has actively promoted international academic exchanges. The goal of these exchanges is to foster the talents of students pursuing careers in medicine and the efforts of those engaged in medical research and education. Academic exchange agreements have been concluded with several major universities throughout the world. To date, SUMS has welcomed many students and scholars from overseas through these programs. In the past 10 years, SUMS accepted about 100 guest researchers, and 28 researchers entered the graduate school, and got the Doctor in Medicine Degree. There are currently 7 graduate students, and 7 scholars working in their respective fields at the university, representing the countries of England, Bangladesh, China, Brazil, Kenya, Egypt, Belarus and Vietnam. In addition, the number of university staff and faculty members dispatched abroad to attend international conferences or to work with their overseas counterparts has been increasing yearly. Since 2003, SUMS has been providing a curriculum of voluntary study for 4th year students to study abroad, and nearly 30 students go to universities, research institutes and hospitals worldwide every year.

To help meet the housing needs of the growing number of visiting students and scholars, SUMS constructed an International House, which was completed in 1994. The building is a three-story residence offering a broad range of amenities in a convenient location at the edge of campus. Any registered student or scholar from overseas, along with their family members, is qualified to reside at the International House.

Academic exchange agreements and International House accommodations are helping to keep SUMS at the forefront of international cooperation and learning in all medical fields.



Creative Motivation Center



International House

## Foreign Students

As of February 1, 2010

Country	Year	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Bangladesh		2	2	2	1	
Mongolia		1	1	1		
China		6	4	4	3	4
Taiwan		2	1	1	1	
Bulgaria		1	1			
Hungary		1	1	1	1	
Egypt		1	1	1	2	1
Belarus			1	1	1	1
Vietnam						1
<b>Total</b>		<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>

## Universities with Cooperative Agreements

Institution	Country	Date Agreed
Beihua University	China	1984.11.24
Changchun Municipal Hospital	China	1984.11.24
The University of British Columbia	Canada	1990. 7.26
University of Michigan	USA	1990.11.29
China Medical University	China	1993. 9.28
Rome University "La Sapienza"	Italy	1994.10.28
The University of Picardie Jules Verne	France	1995. 5.16
Harbin Medical University	China	2001.11.21
University Hospital of Amiens-Picardie	France	2004.10. 4
Cho Ray Hospital	Vietnam	2006.12.25
University of Medicine and Pharmacy at Ho Chi Minh City	Vietnam	2008. 6.23
The Japan Center for Michigan Universities	USA	2008.11.19
Northeastern University	China	2009. 5. 1

## International House

Type	Area	Number
Single Room	16 m <sup>2</sup>	16
Double Room	40 m <sup>2</sup>	5
Family Room	60 m <sup>2</sup>	3



Visit by Beihua University Delegation



Foreign Students Excursion



Social Meeting with International Students



Signing Ceremony with Ho Chi Minh University