

APU Library Mission Statement

Media Resource Center has made APU Library Mission Statement. This Statement should be further refined so that it could be used to evaluate library activities and as part of the PDCA cycle. We would like to propose APU library's Mission Statement as below.

The APU Library, as a Learning Commons in the Asia Pacific region, contributes to the development of an inclusive and open society. It supports cooperation among people from various backgrounds, the acquisition and creation of knowledge, the application of such results, lifelong learning and self-development.

To help check our progress in achieving the above mission statement, we will use the evaluation targets below to inspect and evaluate the project.

- (1) As a Learning Commons, do we provide materials (books, periodicals (academic journals, magazines, newspapers, databases, videos, etc.) on a wide range of topics in various formats (paper, electronic) to support the acquisition and creation of knowledge and the application of the results to society?
 - ① Have we acquired various materials to support study, education, and research in the 3 colleges, 2 graduate schools, and 2 centers?
 - ② Have we acquired various materials from our undergraduate and graduate students' home countries and regions and languages?
 - ③ Do we have a variety of formats available to accommodate various types of uses?
 - ④ Do we provide information about services provided by academic research institutions that can be used for study, surveying, and research?
 - A) Services could include websites (academic research institutions, free databases, the National Diet Library database), other libraries that can be visited and used (libraries in Oita Prefecture, libraries in Kyushu, the National Diet Library), etc.
 - ⑤ Do we have a network for borrowing materials and copying documents from other libraries?
 - ⑥ To help support users, do we have staff with specialized knowledge of library and academic information services?

(2) As a Learning Commons, do we help support self-transformation and lifelong learning by providing a location and opportunities for people with diverse background to collaborate, deepen their knowledge, and develop new values?

① Facility

A) Are the various spaces such as PANGAEA, the Multimedia Room, Presentation Rooms, etc. being used appropriately by a variety of people?

B) Is the library environment designed to support student learning (number of seats, opening hours, etc.)?

② Opportunities

A) Are we implementing events such as user guidance sessions, workshops, etc.?

B) In addition, are various people participating in the above events?

(3) Can faculty members and the general public use this as a place for lifelong learning?

① Faculty and staff usage statistics

② Number of library cards issued to members of the general public