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## JAST and Miyazaki Gakuen Junior College Sign Cooperation Agreement for Local Community Development and Training of Next Generation Leaders

Japan System Techniques Co., Ltd. (Head office: Kita-ku, Osaka; Representative: Taku Hirabayashi, President and CEO; JAST) and Miyazaki Gakuen Junior College (Location: Miyazaki-shi, Miyazaki Prefecture; President: Keiko Yamashita) have signed a comprehensive agreement for cooperation involving development of local communities and the training of next generation leaders.



### ◆ Relationship between JAST and Miyazaki Gakuen

Miyazaki Gakuen started using JAST's GAKUEN Series, a strategic university management system that is the core product of the JAST's package business, since 2017. The use of this system to update education administration systems has greatly improved the efficiency of administrative and other tasks involving the school's academic programs. During the pandemic, this system made it possible to switch quickly to remote classes. Students were able to continue their studies with no interruptions. Due to the success of this system, Miyazaki Gakuen upgraded to an RX Series system, JAST's latest version, in the Fiscal Year 2025.

### ◆ Reason for the Cooperation Agreement

In 2024, Miyazaki Gakuen was selected as a participant in the Project to Support New Management Reform for Private Universities and Other Schools during the Age of Fewer Children. This project is conducted by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology and the Promotion and Mutual Aid Corporation for Private Schools of Japan. The goal of Miyazaki Gakuen is to use this project to become Japan's best junior college in terms of academic capabilities. There are many areas where JAST can use its accumulated human resources and IT system expertise to assist Miyazaki Gakuen. Joint education programs with companies in the region covered by this project and the establishment of a lifelong learning platform for graduates are two examples. Furthermore, these activities are consistent with mission of solving social problems in the new JAST VISION 2035 as well as the vision itself. As a result, the decision was made to establish this comprehensive partnership for the use of the intellectual and human resources of JAST and Miyazaki Gakuen. The objective is to contribute to academic and cultural advancement as well as other progress in Miyazaki, the region served by Miyazaki Gakuen, while accomplishing the goals of this private school management reform project. (see note 1)

### ◆ Activities Included in the Cooperation Agreement

#### (1) Establishment of an alumni network (platform for graduates)

Following the 2024 release of JAST's ALUPA Alumni Service for Universities (see note 2), JAST and Miyazaki Gakuen started to work together to use this service for the establishment and operation of a platform for communication between the school and its approximately 20,000 graduates. Using this platform allows Miyazaki Gakuen to provide more support to students after they graduate, such as by assisting with changing jobs and offering lifelong learning and reskilling opportunities.

#### (2) Education involving data sciences in the department of contemporary business

In the department of contemporary business of Miyazaki Gakuen, JAST employees serve as external instructors for some classes for business subjects. The purpose is to give students practical knowledge about the skills that will be needed to play important roles in society in the coming years. Topics include industry trends concerning data sciences, knowledge of how JAST has worked with customers to help solve social issues and examples of these activities, and other subjects.

The first classes with JAST instructors took place in June and July 2025 and covered modern business theory. Satoshi Ochiai, a Senior Executive Officer of JAST, led three classes where students learned about the IT industry today and how IT companies create value and deliver that value to customers. Classes also included workshops where students studied subjects directly related to their lives and how to use IT to provide value concerning issues that students find on their own. Students were divided into small groups that determined their own procedures and then gave presentations about their accomplishments.

Miyazaki Gakuen instructors were impressed with the results. One instructor remarked that "these classes are a valuable experience for students because practical lessons directly from people at companies give students stimulation that is not possible with ordinary classes." (see note 3)



A class led by a JAST instructor



Students and a JAST instructor following their presentations

#### ◆ Upcoming Activities

Centered on the fusion of education and digital technologies, this cooperation agreement provides a framework for activities concerning regional issues and the roles of higher education with regard to Japan's falling population of children. JAST and Miyazaki Gakuen work together in a broad range of fields as they draw on their respective strengths.

As a participant in the private school management reform project, Miyazaki Gakuen is conducting discussions with its alumni associations for the purpose of adding new functions to its platform for graduates.

JAST will provide assistance for Miyazaki Gakuen's plan as a source of continuous development and improvement support concerning the alumni platform. In addition, JAST plans to use this cooperation as one way to achieve the JAST VISION 2035 goal of "becoming a problem-solving company recognized by everyone." JAST is committed to playing a role in creating a sustainable society by helping solve problems concerning regions and regional economies.

Note 1: Miyazaki Gakuen and JAST Sign Comprehensive Cooperation Agreement  
<https://www.mgjc.ac.jp/news/archives/20795/>

Note 2: Start of the ALUPA Alumni Service for Universities (dated August 20, 2024)  
[https://www.jast.jp/cms/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/ir\\_notice20240820.pdf](https://www.jast.jp/cms/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/ir_notice20240820.pdf)

Note 3: Three Days of Special Classes by JAST for Using IT to Deliver Value  
<https://www.mgjc.ac.jp/news/archives/20810/>

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