

■ University Collaborating Institutions

Institution	Mission
Office of Cooperative Research and Development	To promote wide-ranging academic research, contribute to the creation of knowledge, and facilitate institutional management/utilization of research results as the university-owned intellectual properties. To contribute to the establishment of a mutually beneficial collaboration between industry, academia and government, and the further development of our society by providing support for the creation of new business.
Office for Strategic Promotion of Basic Research	This office supports the advancement of research at the University through strategic and competitive fund-raising. It is also involved in the planning, collecting and disseminating of information within the university.
Environment Conservation Center	To protect the environment by the correct disposal of all waste products including wastewater, spent oil and other harmful waste (excluding radioactive waste) resulting from research activities conducted at this university. In addition, to conduct research on the technologies needed to deal with the different types of waste, and develop technologies free from secondary pollution for the utilization of waste as raw chemical materials.
Center for International Exchange	To promote international exchange, by assisting in the receptions and departures of scholars and students, by supporting the development of international activities and again by assisting foreign scholars and students in their orientation classes on Japan and the Japanese educational system.
Archaeological Research Office on the Campus	To investigate and research archeological findings on campus and plan for their preservation and use.
Center for Laboratory Animal Research	To evaluate animal experimentation protocols conducted by the Environment/Security Committee and the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, to encourage compliance of regulations and safe management in animal experimentation, and to provide education and training to people conducting animal experimentation, we aim to maintain the legality of animal experimentation in our university and promote safe management of animal experimentation through these operations.
Center for Gene Research	To evaluate gene recombination research plans conducted by the Environment/Security Committee and the Gene Recombination Research Security Committee. To encourage compliance of regulations and safe management in gene recombination research, and to provide education and training to people conducting gene recombination. We also aim to maintain the legality of gene recombination research in our university and promote safe management of gene recombination research through these operations.
Center for Environmental Conservation and Research Safety	Promoting and encouraging educational and research facilities on campus to manage environmental protection, safety, and health.
Global Operations Centre	GOC aims to pursue the following six priority tasks to enable the university to promote international exchange strategically and effectively: (1) create a university-wide international strategy (2) support and coordinate on unified international strategy implementation (3) strengthen international exchange communication (4) strengthen outreach skills (5) provide administrative staff with training in language and international exchange-related work (6) strengthen support for overseas researchers and students.
Campus Planning Office	To conduct surveys and research, accumulate materials and draft proposals relating to the faculty and of the future plans for the Tohoku University campus, and also provide expert support to committees involved in campus planning.
Innovation of New Biomedical Engineering Center	As a major support center of Translational Research based upon biomedical engineering, the Center is consistent to in its support and application of (1) achievement of basic research on medical equipment and material, (2) cell remedies and (3) drug-discovery in the clinical stage. It also nurtures human resources to carry out Translational Research tasks.
Innovative Leaders Platform	We aim to instill the young researchers at our university with practical knowhow and interpersonal skills, and foster human resources with a broad vision and creativity who are able to contribute to the development of industry.
Institute for International Education	Our mission is to work together with related departments and Educational Affairs Council in creating an international learning environment through the planning, implementation and support of university-wide English education courses and courses where students can obtain a degree by taking classes only in English. In addition, by enhancing our system for accepting international students, we aim to instill in our students an international perspective, high-level education, specialist knowledge and practical skills, and foster leaders who will be active on the global scale.
The Office of Japan-Russia Relations	To work together with related departments and promote university-level exchange with Russian institutions. To contribute to the development of global research and education networks through the establishment and operation of the Japanese Inter-university Russia Office under the MEXT Global 30 Program.

■ The Institute of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Mission	To provide students with a well-rounded education, the Institute of Liberal Arts and Sciences collaborates with the Center for the Advancement of Higher Education to implement and support liberal arts and general science education. Accordingly, the Institute of Liberal Arts and Sciences contributes to the cultivation of specialized human resources with a creative spirit and high level problem-solving skills.
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■ WPI Advanced Institute for Materials Research (WPI-AIMR)

Mission	As an international research center for innovative material science, WPI-AIMR established new atomic and molecular control through the deepening of principle theory on the atomic and molecular level and interdisciplinary integration. Based upon this idea, WPI-AIMR creates new materials with innovative and practical functions. Accordingly, WPI-AIMR contributes to sustainable development in the Japanese industrial economy, while maintaining a leading-edge and making progress in relevant academic fields.
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