

## Peer Support Program

A “peer” is a colleague or comrade. The Peer Support Program is a system in which students assist each other. Sometimes problems are not serious enough to go talk to a teacher or office staff member, but could be taken to a more senior student or a friend. This makes this an important student support system.

In the Department of Letters and Education, a senior student supporter provides assistance to new students in each course so that the new students do not have problems academically or in daily living. In the Department of Human Life and Environmental Sciences and the Department of Science as well, senior students in each division provide learning support to underclass students. Student Council members are selected from each class year, and those Student Council members take the lead in interaction with other class years, the exchange of information regarding job hunting activities and future tracks, etc. The Global Education Center also has an international exchange group called “TEA.” TEA meets for lunch to chat, talk about the members' cultures, and otherwise engage in interaction between international students and Japanese students.

Peer support activities consist of “support for students by students,” but there are faculty members who provide support to students, as follows.

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During the 2005 academic year, a peer support activities area was established on the second floor of the Student Hall. Students and faculty members involved in peer support for their departments, etc., can use the room for the planning of interaction/support activities, meetings, etc., from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Contact the Student Hall Office to make reservations.