

Outline of the Sakai City Internationalization Promotion Plan (Revised Version)

The Sakai City Internationalization Promotion Plan (Revised Version) is one of the administrative plans of the Sakai City Government. Its outline is described below.

Target City Model: The World to Sakai, Sakai to the World

Aiming to build an international city where people and goods come together

Period: 5 years from Fiscal Year 2013 to Fiscal Year 2017

Purpose: In order to make it possible for Sakai City to cope with the changes of the times and continue to develop in wider collaboration with all kinds of people in the community, including businesses and other organizations, this plan was drawn up to stipulate important internationalization commitments and specific programs to systematically implement them, ultimately to further develop Sakai as an international and attractive city.

We will implement specific policies under the “Three Pillars of Internationalization” shown below.

1. A City Where People and Goods Come Together

We will continue to invite foreign diplomatic institutes and international organizations to locate their offices in the city and to promote exchanges with them in economic, tourism, environmental and other various fields selected with future-oriented perspectives.

- 1) Inviting foreign diplomatic institutes and international organizations to locate in the city and partnering with them
- 2) Expansion of overseas economic exchanges and support of overseas sales channel development
- 3) Attracting international tourists

2. A City Networking with Various Other Cities

Based on the achievements accumulated in the past, we will continue to promote international exchange and cooperation in a variety of areas and nurture human resources who are capable of supporting these activities.

- 1) International exchanges with overseas cities
- 2) International cooperation and respect for human rights
- 3) Nurturing a cosmopolitan workforce and enhancing international understanding

3. A City Blessed with Diverse Cultures

We will continue to work to build a multicultural community where all people respect each other's human rights, regardless of race, ethnicity, religion and other differences.

- 1) Support of voluntary Japanese classes in the city
- 2) Provision of multilingual information