



FY2010 Programs by National Women's Education Center (NWECE)

1. Improvement of the capabilities of core leaders for women's education

Program	Targets & Numbers	Date	Content
(1) Training Course to Promote Gender Equality for Leaders of Women's Facilities, Groups and Organizations	Managerial staff at women's facilities, administrative officers in charge of gender equality and leaders of women's groups and organizations 120 people	June 9 (Wed.) ~ 11 (Fri.), 2010 2 nights 3 days	Conduct advanced and specialized training to facilitate the acquisition of specialized knowledge, management skills, uses of networks, etc. required of leaders who proactively promote gender equality in their communities.
(2) Training Course to Promote Gender Equality at Universities and Research Institutes	Managerial staff in gender equality offices at universities and public research institutes, etc. 80 people	June 24 (Thurs.) ~ 25 (Fri.), 2010 1 night 2 days	Conduct advanced and specialized training to facilitate the acquisition of specialized knowledge and management skills required of managerial staff responsible for promoting gender equality at universities and research institutes.

Program	Research Collaborators	Goals & Content
(3) Research on Women's Facilities as Hubs for Promoting Gender Equality	Researchers in the fields of women's education and lifelong learning; individuals involved in women's facilities; leader of women's organizations, etc.	To further promote gender equality by conducting research that contributes to enhancement and strengthening of the functions of women's facilities as hubs for promoting gender equality by grasping and analyzing the status of women's facilities. This fiscal year, research focusing on women's facilities' networks will be undertaken to contribute to the building of effective networks

2. Development and popularization of learning programs related to pressing issues concerning gender equality, women's education and family education

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(4) Research on Women's Problem Solving-based Community Activities Conducive to Economic Independence	Researchers in the field of women's education; administrative officers; individuals involved in women's facilities, groups and organizations; etc.	Conduct research that focuses on activities designed to resolve problems in the community that are conducive to economic independence such as business ventures and social businesses (NPOs) and contribute toward local revitalization and the economic independence of women who will support Japan's new system of public-private governance.
(5) Research on Programs to Support Child Raising by the Community from a Gender-equal Perspective	Researchers in the fields of women's education, family education and child raising support; administrative officers; individuals involved in groups and organizations; etc.	Conduct research on measures to strengthen networks and collaboration among child raising support organizations, women's groups and organizations, etc. with a view to promoting gender equality in the community through community support for child raising.

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(6) Training Seminar for Leaders of Child Raising and Family Life Support	- Officials in charge of support for family education and child raising - Leaders of child raising supporters, child raising networks, etc. - Individuals in charge of corporate support for child raising, etc. - Staff at women's facilities, social education facilities, etc. 150 people	May 21 (Fri.) ~ 22 (Sat.), 2010 1 night 2 days	Conduct specialized and practical training that incorporates case studies of various businesses and institutions collaborating to foster support for family education and child raising by society as a whole, and examples of men participating in child raising into the content of training, and seeks to foster gender-equal solutions to issues confronting participants on a day-to-day basis.

(7) Training Program on the Promotion of Support for Women's Career Building	Staff at women's facilities, social education facilities, etc.; members of organizations, groups, NPOs, etc.; faculty responsible for career education at universities and other tertiary education facilities; etc. 80 people	July 14 (Wed.) ~ 16 (Fri.), 2010 2 nights 3 days	Conduct specialized and practical training that will contribute to career development support with a long-term perspective by introducing the concept of linking peoples' activities to society based on a recognition of diverse careers.
(8) Training Course for Counselors at Women's Facilities	Individuals involved in counseling services for women's troubles and concerns at women's facilities and private counseling offices 120 people	October 7 (Thurs.) ~ 9 (Sat.), 2010 2 nights 3 days	Conduct specialized and practical training to improve the quality of counseling services and facilitate the handling of women's increasingly complex and diverse troubles and concerns, with the aim of supporting women's empowerment.
(9) Seminar for Individuals Supporting Female Students' Job Hunting Activities	Faculty, etc. responsible for supporting job hunting at universities, etc. 80 people	March 3 (Thurs.) ~ 4 (Fri.), 2011 1 night 2 days	Conduct specialized and practical training with a view to strengthening support functions for female students, and continue to promote women's career development despite the severe employment situation.
(10) Forum on Exchange in Research and Practices Promoting Gender Equality (NVEC Forum)	Leaders of women's groups and organizations; researchers, etc.; administrative officers in charge of gender equality, women's education, family education, etc.; staff of women's facilities 1,000 people	August 27 (Fri.) ~ 29 (Sun.), 2010 2 nights 3 days	Support the building of networks to promote mutual exchange through practice and research and create opportunities to discover, secure and train new human resources with a view to contributing toward resolving pressing issues such as support for women's diverse career building, child raising support and the work-life balance.
(11) Gender Equality Exchange Week (Ranzan Exchange Week)	Organizations and individuals using NVEC during this period. 100 people	November 8 (Mon.) ~ 12 (Fri.), 2010 4 nights 5 days	Provide opportunities for mutual interaction and information exchange among participants from women's organizations, etc., and support the building of networks between organizations.
(12) Meeting on Exchange and Learning	Leaders of women's groups and organizations who have participated in training and/or exchange programs at NVEC and engage in building local networks; administrative officers in charge of gender equality and women's issues; individuals involved in women's facilities; etc. 150 people	March 11 (Fri.) ~ 13 (Sun.), 2011 2 nights 3 days	To promote gender equality in local communities, hold a Meeting on Exchange and Learning as follow-up for individuals who have participated in training and/or exchange programs at NVEC, and engage in opinion exchange with a view to fostering cooperation and collaboration with related institutions such as women's facilities and women's groups and organizations and advancing the building of networks.
(13) Summer School for High and Junior High School Girls 2010 ~Scientists and Engineers of the Future ~ (Commissioned by Japan Science and Technology Agency)	3rd year junior high school girls; senior high school girls; and parents and teachers with an interest in science and technology Students 100 persons Parents & Teachers 50 persons	August 12 (Thurs.) ~ 14 (Sat.), 2010 2 nights 3 days	Hold a residential hands-on science program with the aim of enabling junior and senior high school girls to discover new possibilities for themselves in the fields of science and technology through dialogue and interaction with scientists, engineers and students at science and engineering universities. Hold a program for parents and teachers in conjunction with this.
(14) Seminar on Support for Victims of Spousal Violence (Commissioned by the Cabinet Office)	【Basic Seminar】 Individuals with less than 3 years' experience as a counselor at spousal violence counseling and support centers, gender equality centers, etc. nationwide	Regional Seminars 2010: Osaka: July 23 (Fri.) Tokyo: July 26 (Mon.) Miyagi: July 29 (Thurs.)	The following seminars will be held for counselors, etc., at local public entities nationwide that provide spousal violence counseling services with the aim of ensuring smooth and timely counseling procedures, etc., and enhancing the quality of their services. 【Basic Seminar】

	50 persons on each occasion	Fukuoka: August 4 (Wed.) 1 day	A basic practical seminar to facilitate the acquisition of basic knowledge and skills required of counselors.
	【Applied Seminar】 Individuals with 3 or more years' experience as a counselor at spousal violence counseling and support centers, gender equality centers, etc. nationwide 50 persons	October 7 (Thurs.) ~ 8 (Fri.), 2010 1 night 2 days	【Applied Seminar】 A specialized practical seminar to facilitate the acquisition of advanced knowledge and counseling skills.
	【Management Seminar】 Supervisors of spousal violence counseling services at spousal violence counseling and support centers, gender equality centers, etc. nationwide 50 persons	November 1 (Mon.) ~ 2 (Tues.), 2010 1 night 2 days	【Management Seminar】 A seminar designed to enhance the knowledge and skills required of managers.

3. Provision of information, materials and research findings relating to gender equality, women's education and family education

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(15) Maintenance and Development of the Women's Information Portal "Winet"	Improve dissemination of information by updating the contents of portal sites for women and families and the various databases constructed and provided by the Center that contribute to the formation of a gender-equal society. Also, revamp the design with a view to making it a more user-friendly portal site.	
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(16) Research on the Use of Statistics in Promotion of Gender Equality	Researchers and experts in the fields of women's studies, gender research and statistics	Based on the Data Book of Gender Equality Statistics 2009 compiled in FY2008, study ways of using statistical data on men and women to contribute to formation of a gender-equal society. This fiscal year, newsletter will be compiled and networks among concerned individuals will be encouraged.

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(17) Construction of Women's Archives	Collect and organize materials related to women and make the Women's Digital Archive System and the Women's Archive Center partially accessible to the public. Conduct training for staff engaged in work related to the women's archives.
(18) Collecting, Organizing and Providing Information and Materials on Women and Family	Collect, organize and provide information and materials pertinent to gender equality, women and family.
(19) Reference Service; Photocopying Service; and Lending Service	Provide information to visitors and in response to mail, email and telephone inquiries. Provide copying services for materials owned by the Women's Education Information Center, and lending services through libraries, women's centers, etc. Launch a lending service for individuals visiting the Center on a trial basis.
(20) Exhibitions of Books and other Materials on Women and Family	Deepen understanding in the fields of women and family by displaying materials owned by the Center in exhibitions organized around themes and special exhibitions.

4. Promotion of international contributions and collaboration related to gender equality and women's education

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(21) Empowerment Seminar for Women Leaders in the Asia Pacific Region	Administrative officers and NGO leaders (incl. Japan) Approx. 12 people	September 30 (Thurs.) ~ October 9 (Sat.), 2010 10 days	Conduct a practical participatory seminar on women's capacity building and personnel training for administrative officers responsible for women's policy and education and NGO leaders in a position to disseminate and popularize the results of training in developing countries etc.

(22) International Forum for Women's Empowerment	Administrative officers in charge of gender equality, women's education and family education; staff of women's facilities; leaders of women's groups and organizations; researchers; individuals involved in international exchange and development assistance; business people, etc. Approx. 80 people	October 8 (Fri.) ~ 9 (Sat.), 2010 1 night 2 days	Invite overseas specialists and analyze issues pertinent to the Asian Pacific Region around themes of a global scale such as women's human rights and women's capacity building and training; deepen exchange with researchers, administrative officers and leaders of women's organizations, etc. overseas; and promote the building of networks.
(23) US-Japan Symposium on Gender Equality in Science (Co-hosted by the National Science Foundation of America)	Administrative officers in charge of gender equality, science and technology; researchers; business people, etc. Approx. 60 people	July 5 (Mon.) ~ 7 (Wed.), 2010 2 nights 3 days	Convene a number of prominent Japanese and American female scientists to exchange opinions on support for female researchers and discuss the direction of joint researches to be undertaken by female researchers.

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(24) Research on education, awareness-raising and liaison measures for the prevention of trafficking in persons	Researchers and practitioners specializing in fields such as women's education, social education, jurisprudence, information science, social policy, international cooperation; NGOs, etc.	To develop learning programs that utilize the activities of women's facilities and organizations to focus on international and multifaceted aspects of trafficking in persons; to revise the panels and associated leaflets to reflect the content of the 2009 Action Plan on Countermeasures to Trafficking in Persons, and to compile reference materials that will contribute to education and awareness-raising on trafficking in persons.

5. Learning Support Programs & Publications

Program	Content
(25) Learning Support Program	Responds to inquiries about programs planned and implemented by groups and organizations that use the National Women's Education Center. Expand the services provided to users and usage by providing and implementing NWECC programs related to gender equality
(26) Social Education Internship Program	Aims to enable students taking practical courses in social education at universities to learn the current status of women's education and the roles played by women's facilities through experiential learning in the form of assistant work at sponsored programs. Period: One week including the duration of the sponsored program Acceptance: a few individuals
(27) PR & Information Dissemination	NWEC Newsletter Introduces NWEC activities and updates on the current status of women in Japan to readers overseas in English. Main distribution: Overseas government institutions responsible for women's issues; women's centers and organizations; and international organizations, etc. Information dissemination: Biannual (September 2010 & March 2011) NWEC News Provides information on NWEC activities; researches and the ensuing reports and preparation of material; fundamental knowledge about words; users' opinions; and articles related to the Center. Distribution: Government institutions; women's facilities; women's organizations; universities; mass media; general, etc. Publication: Biannual (July 2010 & January 2011)
(28) NWEC Action Research	Publish NWEC Action Research featuring reports on research pertaining to the promotion of women's empowerment and gender equality and the practical activities of women's facilities and organizations. Publication: Annual (January 2011)