

International Medical Exchange Newsletter

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Sapporo Medical University

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by Department of International Affairs and Medical Exchanges

■ Language study

5 students (3 from the School of Medicine and 2 from the School of Health Sciences) participated in a language training

program at the University of Alberta, Canada, in August ,2025. The program enabled them to improve their English language skills and provided opportunities to meet and interact with students attending the University of Alberta.

•Dispatch period: August 3rd ~ August 26th, 2025

•Training period: August 5th ~ August 22nd, 2025

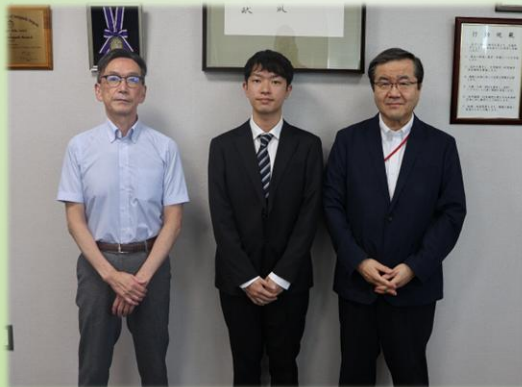


■ Send students for clinical training

(1) University of California, San Francisco

Ryunosuke Yamamoto a sixth-year student at School of Medicine, received clinical training at University of California, San Francisco.

•Clinical training period: June 16th ~ June 27th, 2025



(2) China Medical University inTaiwan

Mai Kuniyori a fifth-year student at School of Medicine, received clinical training at China Medical University in Taiwan.

•Clinical training period: December 15th, 2025 ~ January 9th, 2026



■ Medical exchange program for faculty members and researchers

Sapporo Medical University has concluded agreements with the Paulo Foundation (Finland), University of Alberta (Canada), China Medical University (China), University of Massachusetts (US), Jiamusi University (China) to promote mutual medical exchanges among researchers.

In 2025 academic year, 4 researchers visited 4 of these foreign institutions and 2 researchers visited our university.

1. Visits from Sapporo Medical University

(1) Jiamusi University

- Researcher: Hideyuki Tashiro Assistant Professor, First Division of Physical Therapy, School of Health Sciences
- Period: November 3rd ~ November 6th, 2025

(2) The University of Massachusetts

- Researcher: Yusuke Iwamoto, Assistant Professor, Department of Emergency Medicine, School of Medicine
- Period: February 2nd ~ February 13th, 2026

(3) Paulo Foundation (Helsinki University)

- Researcher: Masato Emori, Associate Professor, Department of Orthopedic Surgery, School of Medicine
- Period: March 8th ~ March 20th, 2026

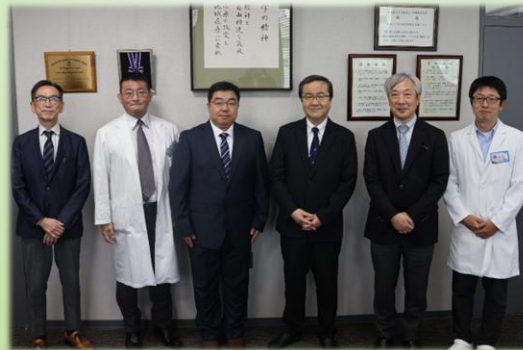
(4) University of Alberta

- Researcher: Shuhei Fukagawa, Instructor, First Division of Physical Therapy, School of Health Sciences
- Period: March 9th ~ March 13th, 2026

2. Visits from foreign institutions

(1) China Medical University

- Researcher: Yang Yu, Attending Surgeon
- Host department: Department of Cardiovascular Surgery, School of Medicine
- Period: September 12th ~ September 28th, 2025



(2) Jiamusi University

- Researcher: Jiang Yuwei, Postgraduate Tutor
- Host department: Division of Nursing, School of Health Sciences
- Period: November 12th ~ November 27th, 2025



■Symposium on the Republic of Palau and Sapporo Medical University

On July 15th, 2025, We held “Symposium on Medical Collaboration between the Republic of Palau and Sapporo Medical University” at a hotel in Sapporo .

The symposium was held on the theme of “Exploring Ways to Achieve Sustainable Healthcare through the Current State and Challenges of Two Seemingly Distinct Regions: the Small Island Nation of the Republic of Palau in the South and the Vast Northern Land of Hokkaido”. On the day of the symposium, keynote addresses were given by physicians working in Palau, and there was a panel discussion. A total of 283 people attended the symposium.



■Discussion meeting between foreign researchers and students

As part of our international exchange activities, we held a discussion meeting with visiting overseas researchers and students. The purpose of this event was to cultivate individuals with a global perspective and international awareness who can contribute to the advancement of medical care, medicine, and health sciences both in Japan and around the world.

(1) Dr. Ruslan kzy Kanykei from Kirghiz participated on August 27th



(2) Dr. Yang Yu from China participated on September 22nd



■ Debriefing

Sapporo Medical University implements exchange programs including the International Medical Exchange Program and holds an annual debrief session on international exchange activities to widely share the results of exchanges and studies by researchers who visit overseas universities and to help develop the university's education and research. President as well as 43 faculty members and students attended the session in 2025 academic year.

- Period:
January 20th, 2026
- Place:
Education and Research Building C202
- Reports:
Rei Enatsu, instructor; International Medical Exchange Program (China Medical University)
Hideyuki Tashiro, Assistant Professor; International Medical Exchange Program (Jiamusi University)
Ryunosuke Yamamoto; Visiting student(The clinical training program at University of California San Francisco)
Rinta Nagaoka and Chiro Ishi; Visiting students (University of Alberta Language Study Program)

