# **Developments at the Center (From November 2007 to the present)**

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### 1. International Conferences

1) Doshisha University International Lectures on Social Welfare (November 9, 2007), attended by 40 people

Theme: "Society and Social Policies in China"

Lecturer 1: Lin Ka (Professor at Nanjing University), "Quality of the Society in Modern China"

Lecturer 2: Zhou Xiaohong (Professor at Nanjing University), "China's Middle Class"

2) Doshisha University International Lectures on Social Welfare (January 25, 2008), attended by 30 people

Theme: "Recent Movements in Social Welfare in Taiwan"

Lecturer: Gordon Hou-sheng Chan (Professor at National Taiwan University, Former President [k1] of Taiwanese Association of Social Policy)

3) International Conference on Social Welfare and Social Policies (March 12, 2008), attended by 100 people

Theme: "Frontiers in Studies of Social Welfare and Social Policies" Lecturers: D. Lee (Professor at Loyola University); J. Bradshaw (Professor at University of York); P.G. Edebalk (Professor at Lund University); Song Jung Boo (Professor at Sangji University)

4) International Lectures on Social Welfare (March 22, 2008; jointly sponsored by Kansai Research Institute of Social Security Law[k2]), attended by 20 people

Theme: "Transformation of the Concept of Citizenship and Workfare" Lecturer: Joel F. Handler (Professor at University of California, Los Angeles)

5) International Lectures on Social Security and Social Welfare (July 28, 2008), attended by 60 people

Theme: "Three Controversial Issues Related to South Korea's Social Security System: Public Pensions, Private Sector Health Insurance, and Vouchers" Lecturer: Kim Yeon Myung (Professor at Chung-An[k3]g University)

6) International Lectures on Social Welfare (December 13, 2008), attended by 105 people

Theme: "The Latest International Trends in Social Welfare Education"

Lecturer 1: Daniel Lee (Professor at Loyola University, USA)

Lecturer 2: P. Gunnar Edebalk (Professor at Lund University, Sweden)

# 2. International Advisory Committee Meetings

- 1) 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting, March 11, 2008; attended by Prof. Daniel Lee, Prof. P. Gunnar Edebalk, Prof. Jonathan Bradshaw, Prof. Song Jung Boo INTERNATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (IAC) CONSULTATION REPORT is accepted in April 2008
- 2) 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting, December 12, 2008; attended by Prof. Daniel Lee, Prof. P. Gunnar Edebalk

# 3. Schedule of Lectures and Workshops

1) Commemorative lectures given at the inauguration of the Doshisha University Education & Research Center of Social Welfare (December 8, 2007; attended by more than 200 people

Lecturer 1: M. Iwata (Professor at Japan Women's University), "The Significance of Social Welfare Research"

Lecturer 2: S. Takegawa (Professor at University of Tokyo), "Research in Social Policies in the Future"

2) "Speaking About Peace and Non-violence in My Own Words - Part 2: Gender-based Violence" (November 12, 2008; Sponsored by Doshisha University Society for the Study of Social Welfare "Peace Project"), attended by 30 people

Lecturer: M. Inoue (Women's Counseling Kyoto), Group discussion

### 4. Case Conferences & Supervisor Training Course

#### 1) Case conferences

Theme: "The Significance of Case Studies in Which Support was Strengthened and the Methods Used"

Lecturer: N.[k4] Iwama (Associate Professor at Osaka City University)

1<sup>st</sup> Conference – The Theory (March 8, 2008), attended by 98 people

2<sup>nd</sup> Conference – In Practice (May 31, 2008), attended by 20 people

#### 2) Supervisor Training Course

"Aiming to be a Good Supervisee"

Lecturer: K. Fukuyama (Professor at Japan Lutheran College)
Part 1 (March 14 and 15, 2008), attended by 39 people

Part 2 (September 22 and 23, 2008), attended by 24 people

# 5. Education and Research Projects at the Center

- 1) "Building a Community in Kyoto Through Social Welfare" Project (Leader: K. Uenoya)
- 2) "International Comparisons of Social Welfare Services and Manpower" Project (Leader: T. Uzuhashi)
- 3) "Suicide Prevention in Industrial Mental Health Care" Project (Leader: K. Kihara)
- 4) "Practical Training Research" Project (Leader: H. Kuga)
- 5) "Project Regarding Building a Career Specializing in Social Welfare" (Leader: T. Koyama)
- 6) "Case Studies and Training" Project (Leader: Y. Nomura)
- 7) "True State of the Health and Functional Capabilities of Cases in Which Support From the Nursing Care Insurance System was Required and Transitions in Nursing Care Needs" Project (Leader: H. Yamada)

## 6. Publication of the Center Newsletter

- No. 1 Special feature: Developments at the Center in the 2007 School Year June 10, 2008 Issue
- No. 2 Special feature: Commemorative Lectures at Inauguration of the Center June 10, 2008 Issue
- No. 3 Special feature: Introduction to the Activities of the Case Studies and Training Projects: Part 1 October 30, 2008 Issue
- No. 4 Special feature: Introduction to the Three Activities of the Center October 30, 2008 Issue

## 7. Others

- 1) Social get-together with graduate students held in July 2008; attended by 9 graduate students; discussion about revisions to curriculum
- 2) Financial support for travel expenses of graduate students to take part in overseas field work. In the 2007 school year, one student went to the United States. In the 2008 school year, a total of eight students went to the United States, England, Australia, China, South Korea, and Nepal.

### 8. Plans for the Future (2009 School Year)

#### **Continuing programs**

- 1) New curriculum will be implemented in the Social Welfare Course of the Graduate School of Social Studies
- 2) Hold various lectures
- 3) Hold case conferences and supervisor training courses
- 4) Carry out research activities for the Seven Education and Research Projects
- 5) Provide financial support for travel expenses of graduate students to take part in overseas field work

6) Publish newsletters (October 2009 and March 2010 issues)

## **New programs**

- 1) Hold international seminars promoted primarily by graduate students (scheduled to be held in July 2009 with a total of four graduate students participating from China and South Korea)
- 2) Hold small-scale seminars (held about six times a year; planned and run by graduate students)
- 3) Hold overview of Graduate School GP (Good Practice) subsidised by MEXT (scheduled to be held in November 2009)
- 4) Make presentation announcing results of the Seven Education and Research Projects (scheduled to be held in December 2009)
- 5) Publish results of the Seven Education and Research Projects in book form (publication scheduled for February 2010)