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UNIVERSITY

# Fundamental Goals of the University (Medium-term Goals)

Hitotsubashi University's mission is to "develop leaders who will create intellectual and cultural assets that contribute to building a free and peaceful Japanese and global political and economic society," and it has been leading Japan's social science research and education. In particular, the University has a strong record of academic research in practical science, such as studies that contribute to problem resolution and institutional reforms in the Japanese and global social, economic, and legal systems, and studies that lead to corporate management innovation. In addition to contributing to societal improvements, the University has emphasized on basic and applied research, which are the foundations of practical science. At the same time, through interactive education in small-size seminars conducted by its faculty, the University has been able to carefully nurture each and every student and has produced human resources who are active internationally in various fields, including those related to industry.

Even in a society with advancing globalization, in order for the University to achieve its basic mission, which is to contribute to societal improvement and cultivate high-quality human resources, it promotes further advancement and internationalization of education and research that utilize the strengths and features unique to Hitotsubashi University. Moreover, it aims to be a state-of-the-art education and research center in social sciences by

focusing primarily on the following important points:

1. It promotes interdisciplinary research that deals with important social issues and strengthens the university's role as a center for practical science while further expanding its international research network and promoting international collaborative research.
2. It trains high-quality human resources who can contribute to global society, i.e., it produces human resources who have the ability to identify problems from a broad perspective; think logically based on deep expertise; make accurate judgments and find a way to solve these problems; have the ability to justify their thinking to others in an easily understandable way; and have the flexibility to achieve mutual understanding with, show respect for, and cooperate with people of various countries and regions.
3. It seeks to further strengthen and enhance its function of providing advanced professional training in areas such as business, law, and policy in order to produce professionals who have the ability to make accurate judgments and have advanced expertise as demanded by a global society.

