## To all students

Executive Director and Vice President, Education and International Affairs

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Notebook Computers Mandatory from January 2022

Along with a renewal of our Information and Network Center systems, we are eliminating educational computers in the computer-equipped classrooms on December 3, 2021, and will require students to use notebook computers from January 2022.

We continue to see advances in Japan's development as an information society, with efforts toward digital transformation (promoting conversion to digital formats), toward the use of next-generation communication standards, and toward futuristic applications of artificial intelligence. This has required institutions of higher education to produce human resources grounded in IT who can play active roles in the information society.

Smartphones, tablets, and other such devices are now common, and with remote learning implemented during the pandemic, students are browsing the web and exchanging email every day, but these devices are mainly used only as an interface to the Internet. As members of a digital society, we must manage our own devices well, understand network threats, and know about countermeasures.

It is with these developments in mind that the university will require use of a notebook computer, both to cultivate human resources with ample ICT skills and to enable us to provide education applying these technologies.

Notebook specifications for this purpose and other information will be announced on the university website (<u>https://www.kaiyodai.ac.jp/student/</u>) after Thursday, March 25, 2021. As for students whose circumstances make it difficult to obtain a notebook, for a limited time we plan to lend university notebooks, but note that only a certain number will be available.

## Contact information

Borrowing notebooks and related matters

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