

令和 7 年度山梨大学秋季学位記授与式 式辞

本日、山梨大学から学士の学位を授与された 6 名の皆さん、修士の学位を授与された 19 名の皆さん、そして博士の学位を授与された 24 名の皆さん、誠におめでとうございます。

また、皆さんを支えてこられたご家族、ご友人、そして教職員の皆様に、心より感謝を申し上げます。

本日は、留学生の皆さんも多く出席されていますので、これより英語にて式辞を述べさせていただきます。

Today, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to all the graduates of the University of Yamanashi.

Especially, I congratulate the six graduates who have been awarded bachelor's degrees, the nineteen graduates who have been awarded master's degrees, and the twenty-four graduates who have been awarded doctoral degrees.

I would also like to express my sincere gratitude to the families, friends, and faculty and staff members who have supported you throughout university life.

This day marks a significant milestone in your long academic journey.

From the excitement and uncertainty at the time of enrollment, to the joy of opening new doors of knowledge, the encounters with friends and faculties, and the continuous devotion to research and assignments.

In particular, your student life was not without challenges, such as the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and the barriers of language and culture.

Despite the challenges, you never stopped learning and steadily moved forward, step by step. Today, as you earn your degree, I hold you in the highest esteem.

I firmly believe—and wish to convey—that each of you here today already has the strength and capability to take the challenges of both our local communities and the world, and to lead the way into the future.

With that pride in your hearts, I encourage you to walk forward with confidence on the path ahead.

What you have accumulated at the University of Yamanashi is not merely knowledge and experience.

It reflects a purposeful and carefully designed practice of the “active learning” that our university values—learning that allows you to take ownership of your studies and to witness its outcomes firsthand.

The sense of achievement and growth you have gained in overcoming difficulties truly embodies the spirit of learning at our university.

Through educational approaches such as Project-Based Learning (PBL), we foster the ability to confront real-world challenges and to work collaboratively toward solutions.

In research, we continue to promote distinctive fields such as clean energy, fuel cell nanomaterials, grape and wine science, advanced biotechnology, and advanced brain science, while also encouraging integrated research that transcends the boundaries of specialized fields—all with the aim of cultivating talent that can thrive on the global stage.

Modern society faces a wide range of pressing issues: the rapid decline and aging of the population, the need for climate action and renewable energy for a sustainable future, the globalization of economies and cultures through accelerated exchange and competition, and the transformative impact of generative AI and digital transformation across every sector of society.

The experiences you have gained here will be a great source of strength in addressing these challenges.

Most importantly, I urge you to take the initiative in engaging these issues in your respective fields, to collaborate across disciplines and cultures, and to create new value.

Such efforts will surely contribute to the development of local communities, extend beyond borders, and ultimately enrich the future of the international community.

The motto of our university is “Creating the Backbone of the Community and Developing Citizens of the World.” You, indeed, are the embodiment of this vision.

I look forward to your continued growth as individuals who remain rooted in your communities, connected to the wider world, and committed to the progress of humanity.

In closing, I wish that your lives ahead may bloom with infinite possibilities, and I sincerely pray for your health and success.

I also extend my heartfelt wishes for the happiness of your families, friends, and all those present here today who have supported you until this moment.

With this, I conclude my congratulatory address.

Once again, my warmest congratulations to all of you.

卒業生・修了生の皆さんのこれからの人生に、無限の可能性が花開き、ご健勝とご活躍を心より祈念いたします。

あわせまして、本日まで皆さんを支えてこられたご家族やご友人、そしてご臨席賜りました皆様方が、ご多幸に恵まれることを心よりお祈り申し上げます。

これをもちまして、山梨大学学長としての祝辞といたします。

本日は、誠におめでとうございます。

令和7年9月26日

山梨大学学長 中村 和彦