An approach to establishment of a research and educational system by cooperation of graduate schools

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This presentation illustrates typical examples that are fostering interdisciplinary education at the graduate school level in Kyoto University. Two programs are introduced: Global COE Program “Sustainability/Survivability Science for a Resilient Society Adaptable to Extreme Weather Conditions” and Leading Graduate Schools Program “Inter-Graduate School Program for Sustainable Development and Survivable Societies” under the cooperation of graduate schools. The former consists of 5 Graduate schools and 2 research Institutes, while the latter 9 graduate schools and 3 research institutes. They respectively have formed a curriculum for interdisciplinary education, providing various opportunities of lectures, interdisciplinary seminars, international schools, internship, and field training. Thus these programs are nurturing young promising students to be global leaders in various international situations.

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