

Library

Reading Opens Up a Bright Future Kagawa University Library helps individual students with their studies

The Kagawa University Library has a collection of learning resources (in both hard copies and electronic form) and study equipment.

The Library is open to the public, and provides support for lifelong education by holding attractive exhibitions and lecture meetings.



Support for students

- 1 The Library actively collects literary works to arouse students' interests in reading and help them develop strong characters.
- 2 The Library is an official member of the European Info (EUI) in Japan. Every year, it works with the Delegation of the European Union to Japan to organize an event to improve public understanding of the European Union.
- 3 The Library has a collection of specialized books and reference materials in various fields to aid students in their studies and report preparations. Ask the librarian at the counter about available library services.

Features of the Library's Activities

The Kagawa University Library develops activities with a focus on its connections with students, the local community, and the EU.

- 1 Use Keywords to search books you need.
- 2 Use computers to find information you need.
- 3 Use dictionaries and reference materials for your research.
- 4 In addition to the Shikoku Shimbun, national newspapers are available as is a newspaper database.
- 5 Use the computer room and wireless LAN to exchange information with your friends and teachers.
- 6 Enjoy reading books you are interested in or borrow them free for up to two weeks.

Kambara Bunko

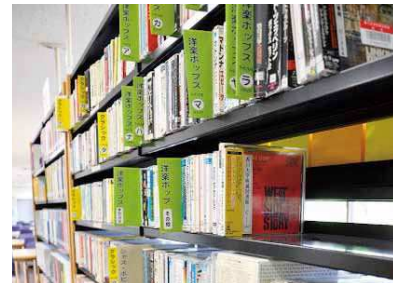
The Kambara Bunko is the lifelong collection made by Jinzo Kambara, the first President of Kagawa University. After Kambara's death in 1954, it was transferred to Kagawa University and stored in the Library. The collection includes many materials that document Japan's rapid modernization over a hundred-year period leading to the Japanese-Sino War (1894-95). Starting in the late Edo Period, the nation introduced the cultures and languages of the Western powers, achieving the Meiji Restoration in 1868.



Exhibition of Library collections



EU Bus



Audio-visual space on the second floor



Kaitai Shinsho, a medical text translated into Japanese during the Edo period from the Dutch-language translation of Kulmus' German *Anatomische Tabellen*



Iroha, a mid-15th century textbook for Korean learners of the Japanese language

Museum



The Kagawa University Museum was established in April 2007 on purpose of connecting Kagawa University to local community in cultural aspects. Its operation was started in April 2008 at North Block 1, Saiwai-cho Campus and the building has a total floor space of 250 square meters. The space includes exhibition rooms, storage space, and practical training rooms. The museum supports academic and research activities of the university and shares its value and achievements with the local community. The museum houses numerous exhibition items, and also provides educational experiences to people in outside the campus.

The Kagawa University Museum aims to:

- 1 Collecting and housing intellectual properties such as specimens, research materials and, inventions which gained from university's academic and research activities.
- 2 Providing specialized knowledge and supporting research activities of various museums and research groups in Kagawa.
- 3 Sharing the findings and research achievements, and providing facilities and space to local school teachers, local researchers and local curators for information exchanges and practical trainings.

Number of Visitors and Opening Days in 2012-2013 Academic Year

| | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC | JAN | FEB | MAR | Total |
|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|-------|
| Visitors | 86 | 89 | 143 | 624 | 1,202 | 150 | 884 | 578 | 102 | 26 | 5 | 1,621 | 5,510 |
| Opening days | 20 | 20 | 22 | 9 | 18 | 16 | 22 | 20 | 14 | 18 | 12 | 22 | 213 |

The Kagawa University Museum has an important role to play in connecting Kagawa University and local community. By managing the university's findings and research achievements, the museum accomplishes to deliver greater researching and educational environment, and greater connection between the university and the local community through its exhibitions, collections and providing educational experiences to the community. The Kagawa University Museum contributes significantly to intellectual and cultural life of the local community.