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## Start of the 65th Seven Universities Athletic Meet Summer Tournament (Nanadaisen)

The 65th Nanadaisen Summer Tournament—a yearly athletic competition between 7 national universities (Hokkaido, Tohoku, Tokyo, Nagoya, Kyoto, Osaka, and Kyushu)—will be hosted by Kyushu University this year and have 39 events, taking place from June to late September. A send-off party organized by the Gakuyu-kai Cheerleading Club was held on June 2nd (Tue.) for our TU athletes who are aiming to bring home a tournament win. After representatives from the events passionately pledged to achieve victory, the Cheerleading Club gave an inspiring performance expressing their hope that Tohoku University wins the tournament.

Below, we will introduce activities and highlights of some of the student organizations that are participating in events. You can find event schedules on the Nanadaisen website (<https://www.7univ-nanadaisen.jp/>). Please join us in cheering on our athletes!



### Soft Tennis Club

The Gakuyu-kai Soft Tennis Club aims to win both the Tohoku University Students' Soft Tennis Association tournament and the Nanadaisen. Not all of the members played soft tennis in high school, but we are constantly practicing hard.

During a Golden Week tournament we placed 4th in both the men's and women's divisions. Last year, we placed 2nd in men's and 3rd in women's, so we did not make it to the national finals as we'd hoped. As the senior students, who had long been key players, retired after this tournament, this year marks a generational change for our club. With new members and a different team composition, there are challenges ahead, but we will work hard to achieve our goals for the tournaments.

This year's Nanadaisen playoffs will be held at Kyushu University. Last year we won for the second year in a row but lost in the finals so the tournament did not end as well as we'd have liked. We will work together to win this year and wipe away that disappointment. Please cheer for us!



## Archery Club

The Gakuyu-kai Archery Club, which is based on Kawauchi-Kita Campus and has around 40 members, is training hard everyday. At last year's All Japan Archery Playoffs, we achieved our best ranking since the club's founding, placing in the top 8 in the men's division and top 16 in the women's, proving our abilities on the national stage.

The most unique feature of our current team is that we have had an influx of new members over the last few years, giving us a "youth-led lineup." In particular, the 2nd year students have achieved remarkable growth. Driven by our younger archers, who have been rivaling even the senior members, our current team boasts a deep bench that can compete nationally.

We will be competing at this year's Nanadaisen in Kumamoto on September 8th and 9th. We aim to overcome the other universities and win. We are intent on demonstrating the results of our practice at the tournament, but most of all on victory. With the confidence we've gained through training, our young team will make each shot count and keep nothing back. Thank you for cheering us on.



## Marine Sports Festival

Hello! Today I want to tell you about the Gakuyu-kai Rowing Club. We are currently practicing hard for the intercollegiate competition in August and aim to be Japan's top team. Our club is composed of 79 members who conduct activities at Kawauchi Hall and Teizan-bori (Iwanuma Boathouse).

Are you familiar with boat racing? It is a sport in which teams propel boats forward through the water with handheld oars. The races are time-trials to see which team can row their boat 2000 meters the fastest. It sounds simple, but moving the boat quickly is not just a matter of blindly rowing. It requires the synchronization of all members. It is actually very deep—the ultimate team sport.

We were attracted to this sport by our love of boating and winning races. We want everybody to be able to experience its joys, so we hold a university-wide boat race called the Marine Sports Festival every year. Please come and have one last unforgettable experience before summer vacation ends!

**Date** September 27 (Sun.)

**Place** 989-2422, Miyagi Prefecture,  
Iwanuma, Kukominami,  
6-chome 4-3,  
Tohoku University  
Iwanuma Boat House

**Access** 15 minutes by bus from  
JR Tatekoshi Station /  
15 minutes on foot from  
Sendai Airport Station on the  
Sendai Airport Transit Line

**Event** Coxed Four



# 78th Tohoku University Festival

The Tohoku University Festival Office's 204 members are working hard to prepare for the 78th Tohoku University Festival, which will be held from October 23rd (Fri.) to 25th (Sun.).

Last year we suffered disappointment, with the food stalls and stage events canceled on the 2nd and 3rd days due to rain. Because of this experience, the theme of the 78th Tohoku University Festival will be "The Place at the End of the Rainbow." Like a rainbow that remains in the sky after a storm, we want this festival to remain in everyone's memories.

Based on this theme, the University Festival Office has set an activity policy that will "showcase the evolution and energy of the Tohoku University Festival."

During the 78th Tohoku University Festival we will strive to use to the fullest the management know-how and flexibility that we have developed up until now and show the visitors the festival's growth and vitality while using it as a place for memorable experiences.

We and the participating organizations have many big plans for this year's festival. Some highlights include demonstration lectures by Tohoku University professors and, as every year, popular entertainers. We are also working on the food stalls to provide even more refreshment options than last year. It is shaping up to be a packed event, so we hope that you all will be sure to attend.

Lastly, the cooperation of Tohoku University's students is crucial to the success of the School Festival. We are planning to make this year's festival even better than last year's, so please come and check it out!



## National Pension Plan (Kokumin Nenkin) Special Payment System for Students

All persons age 20 and over living in Japan, including international students, are required by law to enroll in the National Pension System and make payments. However, students with low income (JPY 1.28 million or less for the previous year) can defer pension payments under the Special Payment System for Students.

You can apply for this system at the Student Services Division, Desk ① (Education and Student Support Center, 1F), the National Pension services desk of the city/ward office where you are registered as a resident, or a nearby National Pension office. You can also apply online through the Myna Portal website.

### What is the Special Payment System for Students?

This is a system for students whose income is below a certain level.  
It enables deferring National Pension System payments while the student is enrolled.  
Using this system ensures that students will be able to receive their pensions in the future, and the Disability Basic Pension in the event that they become disabled due to an accident etc.

- An application must be made each academic year during which you are enrolled.
- You can apply at the Student Services Division, Desk ①, even if you did not apply in the previous academic year, and even if your Resident Registration address is not in Sendai.
- Application Form and Procedures
  - You can get an application form at the Student Services Division, Desk ①.
  - When applying at the Student Services Division, please bring the following:
    - \* Photocopy of your Student ID, or a Certificate of Student Status
    - \* Document showing your Social Security and Tax Number (My Number), such as a Basic Pension Number Notice, My Number Card, etc.
- After applying, you will receive a notice of approval or rejection from the Japan Pension Service. If your application is rejected, you must make pension payments.

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# Information from the PhD Career Development Center (PhDC)

Open the Door to Your Potential

The PhD Career Development Center provides services focused on creating programs that serve as the key to unlock the potential of PhD students.

Beyond Expertise.

The ability to identify challenges, strategize, and drive results through collaboration. These are “transferable skills” essential in academia and indispensable on the front lines of business.

PhDC is the place where your potential is made ‘visible’ and ‘refined’ to world-class.

Through diverse programs, explore your infinite career paths beyond research.



## Program

### “Real Talk” Personal Experiences

Hear firsthand accounts from personal Experiences about their experiences and current careers. These sessions roundtable format, creating a friendly atmosphere where you can freely interact directly with the speakers.

### Career Seminar

You will gain valuable insights into what employers look for and explore real-world case studies of PhD career paths.

### Doctoral Literacy

This common graduate school subject enhances the “transferable skills” essential for PhDs to excel in society. Through interdisciplinary group discussions, you will gain diverse perspectives and discover career paths.

### Dr. Presentation

Present your research and professional profile to corporate HR and R&D specialists, sharpen your ability to communicate clearly. This experience will help you develop the essential communication skills that both academia and industry value most.

### Job Fair

Individual booths will host briefings and Q&A sessions. This is a great opportunity to explore both established firms and emerging industries, significantly broadening your career horizons.

### Research Internship

PhDC manages both “Job-type” and “C-ENGINE” research internships. These internships are recognized as academic credit for “Doctoral Internship” common graduate school subjects.

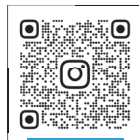
### Individual Career Consultation

We offer personalized support for doctoral students and postdoctoral fellows career-related questions and concerns.

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Development  
Center

<https://pgd.tohoku.ac.jp/phdc/>



Classroom  
(Open to students of all grades)

