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Jikei Gakuen COM Group **Tokyo Design Technology Center**

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"We are striving to cultivate global industry-ready human resources, and continuously utilizing CompTIA certifications." Mr. Yusuke Mizuno

Director of Education

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CompTIA IT Fundamentals CompTIA A+ Business Communication Skill Assessment (BCSA)

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Vendor-neural CompTIA certifications for global IT talent

Curriculum using IT Fundamentals and BCSA, creating a solid skill base to evaluate student's "genuine IT skills" from 23 countries

TARGET	Super IT Course, IT/Design Course

Background of Efforts

Tokyo Design Technology Center is one of the 76 Jikei Gakuen Group schools nationwide. The school has a joint effort between industry and academia, striving to train people of industry with the concept of "working with computers." Students from 23 countries aim for various occupations in AI, IT, eSports, robotics, games, CG, anime, an illustrations.

As part of global talent development, the school provides English classes for Japanese students and Japanese classes for international students every week as well as opportunities for various gualifications. In the overseas practical training workshop, students learn about the latest trends and technologies from engineers around the world, as well as professionalism.

Global certifications to develop industry ready human resources

The school has extensive involvement with CompTIA, including the incorporation of CompTIA certification into the curriculum since 2011, participation in the CompTIA Academic Summit, and holding co-operative sessions.

CompTIA certification is vendor-neutral and covers global skill standards. The school emphasizes its importance, and considers it an "essential" stepping stone that allows them to server in the ICT industry in Japan and overseas in the future.

The adoption of CompTIA IT Fundamentals, CompTIA A+, and BCSA



CompTIA IT Fundamentals demonstrates your readiness for the digital workplace. The exam covers foundational IT concepts including identifying and explaining computer components, installing software, establishing network connectivity and preventing security risks.



CompTIA A+ validates understanding of the most common hardware and software technologies in business and certifies the skills necessary to support complex IT infrastructures.



Business Communication Skill Assessment evaluates the business communication skill necessary with work situations where any type of worker with 2 to 3 year practical work experience encounters.

ACTION

CompTIA IT Fundamentals x ICT Technology Basics classes

- There are mandatory classes for all first-year students of the AI course and IT course allowing them to understand the basics of ICT technology. After completion of the courses, all students are expected to pass the exam to ensure they acquire the global knowledge.
- Because of its vendor-neutral content, technology applications are not biased toward specific vendors. The class implements real world scenarios, which identifies students' interests.

CompTIA Business Communication Skill Assessment "BCSA" to evaluate students' skill

In the International Business Management major for international students, BCSA has been used in the 3-year curriculum. After learning global IT knowledge and skills, the assessment is conducted at the end of the first year. The result will be compared before graduation to see the degree of improvement. It helps building learning goals and often overlooked business communication skills.

"CompTIA certifications are becoming more recognized in the industry, adding value to the fact that these certifications validate global skills around the world. Because our school has students from 23 countries, any certifications offered only in Japanese would not truly evaluate their IT skills because of the language hurdle. Since the CompTIA exams meet the global standard, it stands out even when our students return to their home country. Moving forward, we would like to further consider using the CompTIA certification as measure of skill after class completion."

Mr. Junya Fujita Dean, Department of Education

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