

# Total Care, Active Service, Promoting Students to Have Diverse and Balanced Development



► The Opening of the Multicultural Season

KMU emphasizes student counseling and endeavors to promote students' diverse and balanced development. By doing so, KMU hopes to cultivate a healthcare professional with professional attitudes, virtues, and social care. Therefore, the Office of Student Affairs counsels students with the idea of "Total care, Active Service" and adopts the "4H" (Health, Humanity, Harmony, Hope) Plan as its working prospect.

## Healthy, Safe, and Friendly Campus

In order to improve students' physical and mental health, KMU integrates the resources from school and hospitals to offer a professional and total physical and mental healthcare service. For example, the KMU student outpatient service offers psychological counselling by professional and experienced psychiatrists and counsellors. In addition, diverse and interesting sports activities, health improvement, and psychological counselling activities help to improve students' physical and mental health.

Besides, the improvement of hardware equipment and the transportation environment give students a safe learning milieu. In 2011, KMU was listed as "International Safe School" by WHO (the World Health Organization), the first university to win this reputation in Kaohsiung. In 2014, KMU formed "East-Kaohsiung Universities' Mutual Security Alliance of Students' Renting Houses" with National Sun Yat-sen University, Wenzao Ursuline University of Languages, and Cheng Shiu University to safeguard students' security.

Having good communication with students is highly valued by KMU. Besides a student's immediate report network system and an appointment with the president, the students' association holds public hearings about public issues on campus to discuss issues concerning students' rights and foster student direct dialogue with the administrative offices. In this way, students can learn how to communicate with people, strengthen the soft power in their career, and respect others; accordingly, KMU is highly praised by upholding students' rights. In 2011, KMU was awarded the second place of the "Evaluation of College Students' Rights" and "The Outstanding University with A Friendly Campus Award" in 2012. (The only one nationwide.)

## The Balanced Development of Students' Five Major Aspects

Providing medical service is the core value of KMU. Many alumni or teachers are awarded a "Medical Contribution Award" every year. So far, 26 persons have received this award, the most winners in all of Taiwan's universities.

In order to propagate the excellent tradition of caring and devotion, KMU advocates moral education, includes "Service Learning" into Freshman-required subjects, and offers selected courses such as "Medical Treatment and Devotion" and "Outstanding people and events of KMU." In order to cultivate students' humanitarian principles and carry out social care, the office of Student Affairs and the Office of International Affairs tutor students to participate in community, social, and international services.

In 2001, KMU was awarded the "Special Contribution Award of Medical treatments in Mountains and Islands" by the Department of Health, the Executive Yuan. In 2002, KMU was awarded "The Sixth-Term Award of Improving Indigenous Social Development" by the Council of Indigenous Peoples, the Executive Yuan. The international volunteer services have received an award each year since 2007. Its excellent style of education won KMU awards as "School of Excellent Moral Education" by the Ministry of Education in 2010, and "Characteristic School with Moral Education" in 2013 and 2014.

In order to equip students with five moral and intellectual aspects, KMU not only educates students with official courses to improve students' professional knowledge but encourages them to take part in sports and student association activities as well. In addition, KMU holds various cultural and artistic activities including academy of life since 2010, and "all freshmen as academic students" activity in 2013. By extracurricular learning activities, students are equipped with the humanities, citizenship, and diverse abilities, including moral, intellectual, physical, communitarian and aesthetic abilities. From 2011, KMU has received the grants of "Cultivation of Citizenship of All School Students" from the Ministry of Education over the past three years. The student associations are developed very well. From 2010 to 2014, KMU's student associations and student council have been assessed as Excellent by the evaluation of nationwide student associations and student councils.



► Volunteering tutoring service for disadvantaged students

## Giving advice to plural career choices and foreign students

In order to cultivate student competency in future career choices, KMU adds advice on future careers to the Program for Promoting Teaching Excellence Universities: giving career advice since entrance to the school, offering courses related to future career plans, having future career advisers in each department, integrating alumnus resources on the net to provide students with employment opportunities, cooperating in research and industry-university synergies, and giving counseling re employment and the way to start an enterprise. What's more, KMU also thinks highly of cultivating career soft power. With the help of courses related to soft power, academic education, service learning, student association activities and sports activities, students' work-study and designing checks and feedback with a view to fostering students' career soft power is enhanced.

In response to the trend of internationalization, KMU pays much attention to giving counseling to overseas students and foreign students. The Division of Overseas Student Counseling assists these overseas students to get accustomed to the new environment by offering living counseling, overseas student association counseling, and schoolwork tutoring. Besides, the Division also introduces Taiwanese culture to the overseas students by holding Taiwanese culture study camps and cultivates their willingness to giving services to people by offering returning-home or domestic services. KMU's efforts of counseling overseas students have gained positive evaluation from the Ministry of Education. In 2009, KMU won the "outstanding performance on overseas student counseling award" by the Ministry of Education.

KMU is devoted to providing students with a good learning environment and hopes to create a campus full of prosperity and creativity, by which students can wander between learning and joining extracurricular activities to fully enjoy humanistic education and professional knowledge scenarios offered.



► KMU's student associations won the award of Excellence and Golden Award in the contest of the national student councils.