

Nagasaki Wesleyan University

History

At Nagasaki Wesleyan University, we see our mission as fostering the development of global citizens who will link local communities and the world.

To that end, our programs emphasize not only the study of knowledge and technology related to social welfare and Management, but also hands-on experience in the real world. Among other advantages, this approach provides an opportunity to master a broad array of communication skills, including proficiency in English and other languages.

Nagasaki Wesleyan University is a fourteen-year university established by Chinzei Gakuin, which was founded in 1881. The University is accredited by the Japan Institution for Higher Education Evaluation (JIHEE), a Japanese accreditation organization.

Founding spirit and educational philosophy

Brotherly love: The goal of educating people to make peace

Nagasaki Wesleyan University opened in 2002 in commemoration of the 120th anniversary of the founding of Chinzei Gakuin in response to the strong wishes of—and with the robust support of—sister schools worldwide as well as its local community.

The University's parent organization, Chinzei Gakuin, has long pursued the goal of educating students to love God and their fellow man in keeping with the two primary tenets of Christianity. We further developed that school motto for use in a university setting, adopting the cultivation of brotherly love, characterized by love of God and one's fellow man, as NWU's educational mission.

Shared values (the Wesleyan philosophy)

The term Wesleyan refers to a follower of the teachings of 18th century English cleric and social activist John Wesley, whose World Mission gave rise to a major branch of Protestant Christianity that went on to flourish in the United States. American missionary Dr. C.S. Long founded Copley Seminary in Higashiyamate district of the city of Nagasaki in 1881, urging his students, "Boys be Christian gentlemen." The seminary became Chinzei Gakuin, an institution that continues to pursue its mission today, 125 years later.

One mission, three goals

Nagasaki Wesleyan University has dedicated itself to the mission of educating students in the spirit of brotherly love in this new era. To fulfill this mission, we have embraced the following three goals:

1. To cultivate devotion in chapel activities that give life to the university's founding spirit
2. To nurture a spirit of social welfare supported by love of one's neighbours
3. To foster the development of individuals who will create peace in their local communities and the world

Location of the University

Located in central Nagasaki Prefecture and surrounded by the Sea of Ariake, Omura Bay, and Tachibana Bay, Isahaya has long prospered as one of the prefecture's premier transportation hubs. The city is also blessed with a rich natural environment.

Following the opening of its port in 1571, Nagasaki prospered as the sole point of contact through which overseas culture could enter Japan. Western culture that was transplanted to Japan via Nagasaki, including Western medicine, printing technology, and shipbuilding technology, astonished the young people of the day.

Traces of the area's exotic history can be found throughout the city, enchanting visitors with a sense of history and romance. Come sightseeing season, foreign cruise ships call at Nagasaki's port and foreign tourists overflow its streets, giving the city a cosmopolitan feel.

Nagasaki Wesleyan University is about 15 minutes on foot from JR Isahaya Station. The campus is located along National Route 34, which parallels the Nagasaki Expressway.