

Seoul National University College of Medicine 6th grade students visited Keio University School of Medicine

On October 11th, 2008, the 6th grade students and 2 professors of Seoul National University (SNU) College of Medicine visited Shinanomachi Campus during their graduation trip to Japan. Keio University and SNU has a partnership since the year 2000, and we have deepened our relationship till today. This time, the invitation was conducted under the name of Keio University 150th Anniversary "Design the Future Fund" program.

On the day, 50 Keio students and 5 professors heartily welcomed 160 SNU students and 2 professors who arrived on campus by 4 large buses.

The program was consisted of three parts; the opening ceremony, the discussion session, and the buffet party. The Opening Ceremony started with an opening speech by Prof. Makoto Suematsu who is Dean of Keio University School of Medicine, followed by short speeches by the professor of SNU, student representative, the introduction of both schools by students, and a keynote speech by Prof. Masato Yasui.

In the discussion session, all the students from both universities were divided into small groups, discussing on medical related topics such as "What should we learn in our 6 year medical school life besides medicine?" for 2 hours. After the session, 3 students gave a brief feedback and short speeches were given by the professors of each university.

In the last session, during the buffet party, all the participants enjoyed further exchange of thoughts.

The whole program was planned and adjusted by the student volunteers from the respective schools with the support of Keio University 150th Anniversary "Design the Future Fund" Program. We believe that this kind of meaningful achievement could be held as an example of the international exchange strategy, which Keio University School of Medicine has been promoting.

Seoul National University was established in 1946 and is regarded as one of the most excellent universities in Korea. It holds 1,414 students (undergraduate and graduate) and its hospital contains 1,625 beds.



Group photo at Kitasato Hall



Heated discussion



Student leaders of both schools



Faculties of both schools
Third from the right Dr. Makoto Suematsu(K)
Fourth from the right Dr. Woong-Yang Park(S)