

Dear all,

Pride Month is an opportunity to respect the dignity of sexual minorities such as LGBTQIA and raise social awareness of current issues on diversity and inclusion. Our university established the Diversity Strategy Promotion Headquarters in April 2020, which fosters tolerance and rejects any human rights abuse in learning, research and the working environment at YNU. Against this background we will support diversity in education and research among our student body and staff. Although the term LGBT itself has been recognized in Japanese society, we still witness prejudice and discriminatory behavior, including Unconscious Bias. I am here for all our students and staff, regardless of gender identity and sexual orientation, to help them live their lives with pride and honor.

Sincerely,

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President of Yokohama National University

