Human Resource Development Program for Archi-resource Management

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This program trains human resources capable of appropriate management of archi-resources, through a special course set up in the graduate school of the Kyoto Institute of Technology. Archi-resources refer to existing buildings and materials related to their construction, such as designs. Previously, architectural education at universities in Japan has included education on such archi-resources only to a very limited extent. This program has taught students in practical ways concerning the knowledge and skills necessary to manage such archi-resources, through having them take part actively in practical projects such as building preservation and renovation and the archiving and exhibition of architectural plans. The projects in which students took part covered a wide range of archi-resources including private homes, townscapes, modern architecture, and exhibition of architectural plans, not just in Japan but across a broad geographical range including Asia and Europe. Through accumulating such wide-ranging experience, students acquired the skills to understand archi-resources comprehensively and to manage them appropriately.