面臨二十一世紀知識經濟時代,知識與創造力是國際競爭的關鍵, 國家社會的進步發展與大學知識的創發及人才的培育息息相關,世界先 進國家都不遺餘力投注經費資源,以提升大學教學及研究水準。而提升 大學競爭力,追求世界級的研究與教學,發展成為國際一流學府及頂尖 研究中心乃各校的願景;在全球激烈的競爭潮流下,各校不斷創新突破, 延攬教學研究優異人才、拓展國際學術交流、擴大招收外國學生、建立 留學及遊學輔導機制,積極促進教育國際化。

在國內情勢變化上,據預測至民國 104 年,大學招生人數將首度超越當年度高中職畢業生,少子化現象對未來高等教育將產生重大的衝擊;大學校院的運作與發展,也將面臨前所未有的挑戰。此外,在環境迅速變遷的全球化、國際化高等教育競爭中,本校校務發展亦有更宏觀、更前瞻的規劃,除了踏實的理論根基,更藉由整體制度面的變革及教育部經費獎勵的雙向推動,有效提升教學品質及學校自主性與競爭力;具體作法有積極推動教學卓越及提升研究水準、營造安全和諧校園並提高行政效率、加強產學合作及增進國際交流、爭取校友認同及企業和社會的支持,以塑造新形象,建立嘉大品牌。唯有建立學校特色及創新品牌、強化人才培育成效,才能掌握優勢,躋身國際殿堂。

96 學年之校務發展,在組織運作與調整上,教學系所增設了「財務金融學系」、「電機工程學系」、「資訊工程學系博士班」、「休閒事業管理研究所博士班」,並調整數位學習設計與管理學系及教育科技研究所為「數位學習設計與管理學系碩士班」。在師資素質與研究提升上,延攬了21 位優秀並具教學與研究熱誠的專業博士,為教師教學與研究創新注入新血;鼓勵教授進修,通過升等者計 18 人。在國際學術交流合作的提升與強化上,與美國伊利諾大學香檳分校、日本明治大學、北京中國農業大學及南京農業大學、印尼蘇迪曼大學等 5 所國外知名大學簽署學術合作協定,建立雙方交流合作機制。在硬體設施的充實上,完成了昆蟲資源生態館、農業生物科技大樓及新藝樓等新建工程;爭取到新民校區3.7107 公頃土地且撥用完成;並持續進行各項研究設施的擴充與補強,提供師生更優質的研究環境與學習空間,包括教育館、森林生物多樣性

教學研究大樓、動物產品研發推廣中心、附設植物溫室、蘭潭校區學人宿舍、景觀學系及農學院大樓、生科院生物科技大樓等新建工程。在行政服務上,榮獲國防部「全民國防教育傑出貢獻獎」團體獎、行政院檔案管理局第 5 屆機關檔案管理金檔獎、蘭花研究團隊國家新創獎、創新育成中心-績優育成中心最佳潛力獎、推動終身學習-機關或雇主推動員工帶薪學習制度優等獎、推動業務委託民間辦理成果經教育部考評成績達 90 分以上,表現優良。在學生代表參賽上,本校運動代表隊榮獲大專重動會大甲男組全國排名第 6 名、棒球協會盃成棒甲組冠軍、全國拔河女子組冠軍等優異成績。全國社團評鑑,有蘭潭國樂團榮獲學術性與學藝性類組特優獎、農藝志工隊與民雄課業輔導社榮獲服務類組優等獎等全國音樂比賽則有蘭潭國樂社榮獲大專團體 B 組絲竹室內樂合奏優等、民雄國樂社榮獲大專團體 B 組総竹室內樂合奏優等、合唱社榮獲大專團體 B 組混聲合唱優等、管樂社榮獲大專團體 B 組管樂室內男隊優等、音樂學系榮獲大專團體 A 組管樂室內男隊特優,學生社團參加全國競賽成績優異。

本校整併成立 8 年多來,在全校師生同仁戮力奠定的深厚基礎下, 一步一腳印,校務發展蒸蒸日上,在校園規劃、硬體建設、提升行政效 率、精進服務品質、充實教學資源及學生學習成績等面向,皆有長足的 發展。每年的創新與進步有目共睹,獲得各界人士的肯定,這都是全校 師生同仁長期認真負責,默默耕耘貢獻心力所得的結果。未來本校將再 接再厲,持續配合教育部政策,積極落實提升大學品質與大學生學習品 質管理機制,期勉全體師生同仁同心同願,秉持「誠樸、力行、創新、 服務」的校訓精神,踏實前進,朝「光耀嘉義、揚名全國、躋身國際」 的願景而努力,營造全人教育及關懷的優質校園文化,共同為高等教育 貢獻心力。

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Preface

Since the twenty-first century is an era of knowledge economy, the development and progress of societies is closely related to the innovation of the higher education and the incubation of human resources. To meet this trend, developed countries have devoted budgets and resources to promote high quality of teaching and academic research. Higher education institutions set their vision to seek outstanding research and teaching, in wishing to be ranked as one of the top universities in the world. Their strategies to meet this severe competition include innovating constantly, recruiting excellent faculty in both teaching and research, increasing exchange with other international institutions, increasing the number of international students, establishing the counseling system for studying abroad, and enhancing the internationalization of education.

Due to the low birth rate of children in Taiwan, it has been predicted that the number of college students to be recruited will be larger than that of the senior high school graduates in 2015. The higher education institutions will face the most challenging competition than ever. Therefore, the University has tried every effort to reform its systems and apply for the funding from the Ministry of Education. By doing so, the University hoped to effectively improve its teaching quality, while enlarged its capacity of autonomy and competition. The actual actions for reaching these goals included creating a safe campus, increasing the efficacy of administration, strengthening the collaboration with the industries, and enhancing alumni's identification and support. It was hoped to create a NCYU brand with unique images and qualities. Only by doing so, we could grasp the trend and be proud to announce the University as one of the outstanding members in the international academic community.

In the past year, the University has made great endeavors in many aspects. It adjusted its organization by adding such units as the Department of Banking and Finance, the Department of Electrical Engineering, the Doctoral Program of Computer Science and Information Engineering, the Doctoral Program of Recreation, Tourism, and Hospitality Management, and merging the Department of E-Learning Design and Management and the Department of Educational Technology into the Master Program of Department of E-Learning Design and Management. In the aspect of improving the teaching and research quality, the University recently recruited as many as twenty-one faculty members with doctoral degrees from the prestigious domestic universities and from overseas, while eighteen in-practice faculty members pass their promotion in the past year. In the aspect of international exchange and collaboration, we signed memorandum of understanding with quite a few well-know institutions such as University of Illinois

at Urban Champaign, U.S., Meiji University, Japan, China Agricultural University, Nanjing Agricultural University, and Sudirman University, Indonesia. In order to improve the facilities, the University constructed a number of teaching and recreation halls with highly advanced equipment for entertaining, learning and conducting research. Just to name a few of them, they included the Insect Museum, Building of Bio-Agriculture Technology, Center of Animal Product Center, etc. In elevating the quality of service and administration, we won many awards such as All-Out Defense Education Outstanding Contribution Award, the Award of Gold Archives, and the Award of the Most Potential by the Center of Innovation and Incubation. Above of all, our students proved themselves outstanding in many ways. They won a number of prizes in athletic events such as the sixth prize for female group at National Intercollegiate Athletic Game, champion in the annual Adult Baseball Competition, and another champion in the female Tug of War Competition. The students' clubs also won awards in both academic and art In addition, the students in the Department of music performed activities. outstandingly in a variety of national music contests.

We have come a long way since two colleges merged into one in 2000. Thanks to the staff and faculty's devoted endeavors, the results have proved rewarding. Let us keep in mind the challenges we are facing and take additional actions required to strengthen the goals we have set up for the coming year. Finally and the most importantly, all the members should put into practice the University motto, Simplicity, Action, Innovation and Service, to fulfill the missions, "to honor Chiayi, to glorify Taiwan and to join the global community."

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