

Effective Placement and Human Resource Development

Basic Policy

At Mitsubishi Chemical (MCC), we aim to achieve our vision—realizing KAITEKI. To that end, we strive to secure, retain and effectively place human resources who are understanding of diverse values, identify issues on their own and involve those around them as they continually take on new challenges.

Recruiting and Hiring

MCC does not hire individuals younger than 18 years old and practices fair, non-discriminatory hiring.

Specifically, we take thoroughgoing measures to enforce a stance of respecting human rights such that matters unrelated to the applicant's suitability and capabilities are neither asked about nor investigated in the course of the recruiting and hiring process, including in interviews, and that such matters do not factor into hiring decisions. These measures include training for interviewers to promote understanding among those in charge of hiring decisions. Unrelated matters include nationality, religion, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability and pregnancy.

We strive to ensure fairness in recruiting and hiring new graduates, regardless of where the applicant lives or when they graduate, by such means as holding job fairs and interviews online and hiring in both the spring and autumn. Furthermore, by offering scholarship programs and internships for which students can receive college credit, we provide work experience opportunities and support the development and research activities of the next generation.

Furthermore, to secure human resources with experience at other companies and specialized knowledge, we also focus efforts on mid-career hiring. By hiring human resources with varying backgrounds and values, we aim to further bolster diversity and our businesses.

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We aim to realize optimal personnel placement and human resource development on a Group-wide basis to meet the demands created by changes in the business environment and globalization while encouraging employees to pursue self-directed growth.

"Utilizing people's capabilities" is a component of MCC's basic management policy. We carry out management with the aim of empowering every Group member to work with enthusiasm, motivation and initiative, allowing each individual to exercise their abilities to the fullest while promoting diversity and viewing the diversity of human resources as a strength. With employees thinking ever more autonomously about their own careers and working lives lengthening, we are striving to proactively provide career development support so that every individual is able to flexibly adapt to changes in their environment and find professional fulfillment in their work.

As a part of career development support measures, we conduct career design interviews. Such interviews involve an employee and their supervisor discussing the employee's current situation and how the employee plans to grow over the medium to long term. This approach is designed to help employees take the initiative and grow. Each employee works to identify their own strengths and consider for themselves how they can hone and utilize those strengths to, ultimately, contribute to society. At the same time, the company systematically examines ways to utilize and enhance each individual's strengths in order to achieve corporate growth.



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In recognition of these initiatives, MCC received the Innovation Prize in the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare's Good Career Company Awards 2019.



Across the entire MCC Group, including overseas sites, we are working to effectively place and develop promising human resources in each region¹ and the next generation of executive management candidates for the MCC Group.

With regard to promising human resources in each region, the regional headquarters established in April 2017 implement systematic human resource development and placement within their respective regions. At the same time, regarding the next generation of executive management candidates, we are working with the regional headquarters to implement unified global management, identifying key positions and preparing succession plans for them as well as monitoring the placement of management candidates who are expected to fill such positions in the future. The company-wide HR Committee convenes on a regular basis to manage such efforts. Furthermore, we are applying these initiatives across the entire MCC Group, including overseas companies, working to implement more systematic and effective human resource development and placement.

¹ Refers to the four regions that the MCC Group has designated as its units for global business development, namely the Americas; Europe, the Middle East and Africa; the ASEAN region, India and Australia; and China and Hong Kong.

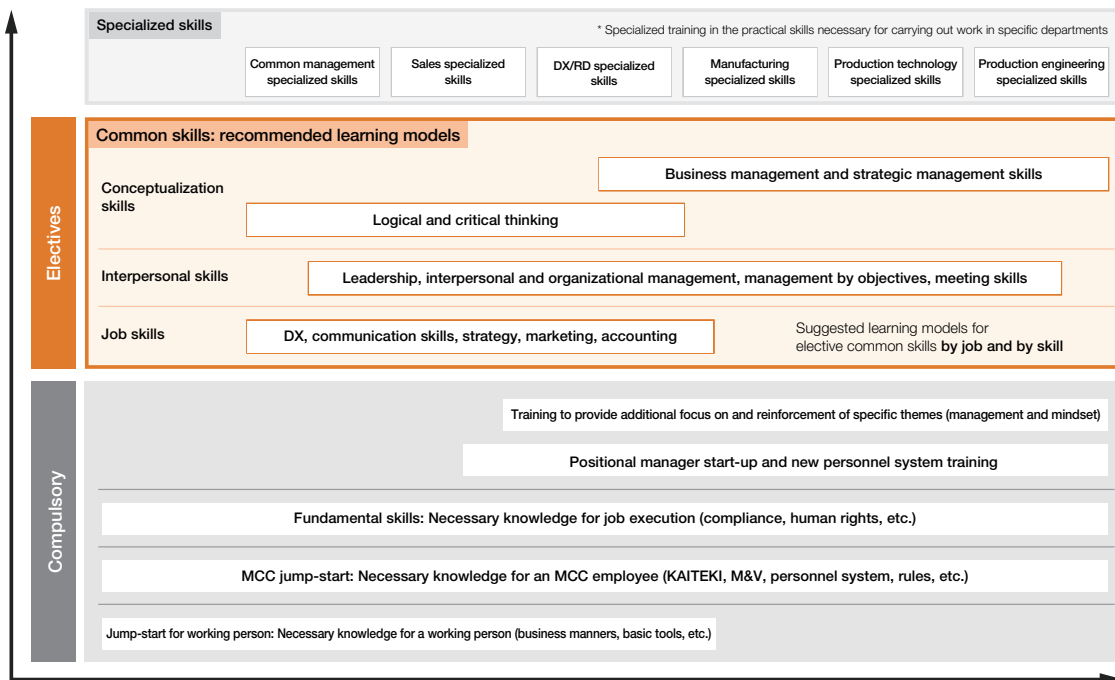
Human Resource Development System

MCC believes that on-the-job training—learning through actual, on-site work experience—is the foundation of employee growth. We expect on-the-job training to lead employees to grow autonomously through the process of identifying issues in the course of their ordinary work and solving said issues with support from those around them.

To support and reinforce this process, we have introduced measures that enable employees to proactively design their own careers. We also maintain an off-the-job training program that enables employees to learn how to fulfill the roles expected of them.

Furthermore, we support both human resource development and organizational development. In doing so, we aim to help strengthen individuals and the organization by both supporting the individual efforts of employees to develop their abilities through, for example, the acquisition of skills needed to carry out their duties, and by increasing engagement. In this way, we seek to build win-win relationships that empower each employee to autonomously learn and work with vigor.

In addition to the human resource development initiatives implemented by the Human Resources Department, each business department implements measures tailored to its unique characteristics. For example, technical departments carry out uniform education and training through internal projects, aiming to develop engineers with abilities in a wide range of fields and advanced professional safety skills. Such initiatives at the business department level are a tremendously important part of company-wide human resource development.



At the same time, Mitsubishi Chemical Holdings (MCHC) holds such programs as Group New Executive Training. The MCC Group actively sends its employees to participate in these programs, which offer opportunities for them to develop themselves through friendly competition within the MCHC Group.

Global Executive Development

The MCC Group is forcefully globalizing its management structure. To encourage the development of the human resources needed to handle global management, we are carrying out a range of training and other programs in and outside Japan.

The development of globally oriented management personnel requires the cultivation of global mindsets and amassing of global experience. To this end, we offer programs to develop global mindsets in Japan as well as overseas dispatch programs. By providing opportunities to gain global experience tailored to the specific level of each individual, we are working to develop globally oriented management personnel.

Furthermore, in April 2019, we launched “Experience JAPAN,” a program through which non-Japanese employees of Group companies at overseas sites can come to work in Japan for about a year. By providing work experience in Japan, this program enables such employees to learn about Japanese culture, the particular characteristics of Japanese companies and MCC while promoting mutual understanding between such employees and those based in Japan, fostering a sense of unity across the MCC Group.