Article 11: Transportations

1 Railways

In addition to regular trains that stop at every station, there are bullet trains (Yamagata Shinkansen) that connect Yamagata with major cities such as Tokyo. To take the Shinkansen, you have to pay both the passenger fee and the express fee.

2 Airplanes

There are two airports in Prefecture, Yamagata Airport in Higashine and Shonai Airport in Sakata.

Yamagata Airport offers flights to Tokyo, Osaka, Nagoya. Shonai Airport offers flights to Tokyo.

3 Buses

(1) University Shuttle Bus Service

The university shuttle bus runs between Kojirakawa Campus and Yamagata Train Station, Kojirakawa Campus and Seimei Dormitory, and Seimei Dormitory and Iida Campus.

The shuttle bus service is available on weekdays. There will be no service on Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays and semester breaks unless otherwise notified.

The fare is 100 yen per ride. To board a bus, you will need to purchase a ticket(s) in advance. These can be purchased at a vending machine in front of the Information Center on Kojirakawa Campus. You can get 11 tickets for the price of 10 (1000 yen).

The Student Bus Pass can be purchased monthly, semesterly and yearly. You can save up to 50% with the pass.

You can apply for a pass on the ground floor in the Student Services Center in the Kojirakawa Campus. It will take us two business days to issue you one.

(2) Public buses

There are two types of buses: Regular buses and Express buses.

- 1) Regular buses run relatively short routes within the prefecture. Details on taking bus may differ from place to place.
- 2) Express buses run longer routes and go to places like the neighboring prefecture Miyagi, as well as Tokyo, Osaka. Reservations are required to ride express buses.