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Meiji University ranks among the best universities in Japan. All of the campuses are linked with other institutions for education and research and feature first-class facilities along with excellent teaching staff. The Izumi Campus in particular offers the latest information technologies in the newly constructed media building on site. Finished in April 2005, the new building has since become a focal point for general education and is one of the latest examples of the ongoing development of the campus and the university.

80 lecture halls and auditoriums in the media building have been equipped with **WolfVision Professional Series Visualizers**. With the high number of units frequently used by a large number of people, the presentation device had to be **easy to operate** and **reliable** to avoid additional pressure for their IT support team. "Whilst our IT support constantly receives enquiries how to use our PC's and audio systems, they have not received a single one for the Visualizers as it's so easy to operate", comments Mr. Itaru Wada, Manager of the Izumi Campus. "Everyone can use it without instructions."

One of the main reasons for Meiji's selection of WolfVisions Professional Series was the possibility to display articles or images directly out of their thick art and science books to the students. Competing products failed because the thickness of some books and the strongly curved pages towards the spine proved challenging for their cameras.



Text passages out of thick history and literature books can clearly be displayed with the Visualizer



All parts of the strongly curved pages are completely readable with WolfVisions Professional Telezoom lens

While other products could only focus on the parts closest to the camera, making the other parts unreadable and out of focus, the **high depth of field** resulting from WolfVisions professional telezoom lens enables the lecturers to show all parts of the books perfectly clear, without the need of additional focus adjustments.

Lecturers at Meiji also still like to incorporate slides in their talks and are so satisfied with the **picture quality** and **realistic color reproduction**, they have since swapped the slide projector for the Visualizer. The **integrated lightbox** enables them to easily and quickly get the slides into the right order ahead of the lecture.

The Visualizers transfer the images digitally via beamers and therefore can be placed anywhere within the room.

As a result, Meiji placed the units right in the front of their auditoriums, aside of the screen, resulting in **more seating rows** for their students. The Visualizers are neatly integrated into their specially designed lecterns **without taking any extra space**.



The Visualizer is placed right next to the screen, allowing for more seating rows. The students view is not obstructed by the lecturer or an OHP.

Very much appreciated is the **specially designed light system** of the units.



Mr. Itaru Wada says,

“When compared with other units, we noticed no side-lights on the WolfVision ones and no disturbing stray light as a result. Our lecturers can work on the Visualizer without getting blinded. It takes the strain of their eyes and improves their working conditions considerably.

We also noticed that there are practically no shadows.

Especially, when they write something on a document or point to a certain detail, no details are covered up by shadows from their fingers or pencils.”

All larger auditoriums offer four plasma monitors and two screens to provide perfect visibility to all students. Having the possibility to display a freeze image and a live image simultaneously allows them to make comparisons on two separate screens or plasmas **without compromise**. Because all images are shown in full-size, no scrolling is needed, which makes it easier for the lecturer and better for the students.



Having the possibility to show a freeze image and a live image simultaneously with just one Visualizer allows them to make full-sized comparisons on two separate screens without compromise

The new media building is the most progressive facility of the university as far as introducing technology into the classroom. The WolfVision Visualizers are integrated part of it and enable the education professionals at Meiji to provide their students with first-class images in a straight forward way. *Visual communication at its best!*