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After receiving his PhD from Keio University in 1974, Anzai became a postdoctoral research fellow (1976–78) and visiting assistant professor (1981–82) at Carnegie Mellon University. He has been engaged in research on human and machine learning in cognitive and computer sciences and has published around 300 reviewed articles and books in such areas as cognitive science, computer science, neuroscience, and robotics. In 2015, Anzai was honored as a Person of Cultural Merit. He received the Medal with Purple Ribbon from the Japanese government in 2008 and the Commandeur de l'Ordre Palmes Académiques from France in 2005. He concurrently serves as the chair of the governmental council for artificial intelligence strategy. From 2001 to 2009, he was president of Keio University, before which he was dean of Keio's School of Science Technology (1993–2001) and professor of computer science (starting in 1988). He also served as the chair of the Central Council for Education and president of the Association of Pacific Rim Universities.