

It's my first time to Japan. Before I applied for this project, I really knew nothing about it. Since there was no many chance to see the world and the fund was provided, I finally submitted the application form. After the interview, I was informed that I wasn't qualified. Fortunately, someone gave up and I took his place. I was really excited that I could go to Japan. I was well-prepared for everything before we started off and the person in charge told us that we must be on time and show respect.

By the time I arrived at Fukuoka, Japan, I was stunned by its public facilities such as the washlet (It is an electric toilet seat that sprays water at you to clean you up after you finish your "business" on the toilet.) in every toilet, vending machine everywhere and flat road. The air conditioner in the dorm ran so quietly that I could hear the sound of bugs. The automatic cashier finds changes automatically which reduced the argument between clerk and customer. The clerks in every store was so polite to every customer that they even bowed down to show their respect. On the road, I had never seen the car broke through the red light. It reminded me of a car advertisement's slogan "best or nothing".

The first day in school, the professor wanted us to do PBL (problem-based learning). He prepared two cars. One is motor car and the other is driven by engine. In next three days, he required us to modify the car and race each other. After introducing each other, we were divided into two groups. I was in the motor car group. But I found there is nothing we can enhance but damper or tire. In the end, we lost for sure. But I learned how to find problems, discuss the solutions and solve it. Although we lost, it's just for fun

In addition to the class. I also experienced the Japan culture. We went to the bar, drank



sake, ate raw horse meat, tasted ramen...etc. My favorite food is fried chicken. It tasted crisp outside but tender inside. We even watched the rugby world cup on TV and cheered for Japan with local students. In the last day we stayed in Japan, we went to Kumamoto to see the Kumamoto castle. It's a great building I had ever seen. The tower is so spectacular. The view on the top is gorgeous. In the afternoon, we went to a temple, worshipped in Japanese way and begged for a protection. We ate Sushi for dinner. There is a huge track system. The chef makes sushi and put it on the track. Anyone could they want. The price is differed by the plate. It's a wonderful experience. I hope I can come to Japan once again.



