

Enjoyable for Meeting with Kyoto University

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Coming to study in Kyoto University in the fall of 2014 may be one of the luckiest and the most memorable things in my study period. Fall is the most beautiful season in Kyoto, I saw the red leaves after coming here. What an enjoyable things it was. However, studying and living in Kyoto University was further enjoyable.

For a student, the most significant thing is studying. This program really gave me a good opportunity to improve myself, not only in the basic economic theory learning but in learning performance as well.

In this exchange semester, I have chosen 4 courses. Every course impressed me deeply in my heart. In the course of Field Research in Japan A, professors took us to Kyocera company, Satoyama and Fukui nuclear center. The first trip let me deeply understand the company culture in Japan for the first time. The power of the company leader's philosophy cannot be ignored in Japan. This is needed also for our Chinese company now. In the trip to Kyocera, I learned one equation that fully inspired me. "Result of life and work= Attitude* Effort*Ability." This is not addition but multiple equation. Yes, in the real life and work, if one among the three——attitude, effort and ability is zero, the result of life and work will be zero. Getting knowledge of management in Kyocera, I have realized that operation is a philosophy of wisdom. This course really let what I have learned and seen in books come true to my eyes. When I was a child, I saw the Biwako on the encyclopedia; documentary film called "Satoyama Japan's Secret Water Garden" on TV; 3 years ago, I heard the Fukushima nuclear center accident on the radio. The last field research in this course made what I have seen on the book and TV within my sight, and gave me the first time to know about the nuclear cause in Japan after the Fukushima nuclear accident. All in all, the course, Field Research in Japan A gave me a chance to know more about company operation, Japanese society and field research method. In the course of Firms and Industrial Organization in Japan, some models and academic knowledge has been taught, combining with the field research, which make what I have understand about Japanese company more concrete. What's more, Hikino sensei and Colpan sensei are one of the most famous professors in this area, so it is my great honor to listen to their class. Yano sensei's Econometric Analysis of Developing Economies inspired many more ideas about my recent research. And as for Comparative Development Studies by visiting professors from Italy and USA, they introduced me to the edge of Comparative development economics.

Academic outcomes did not limit in the part of knowledge study. What's more important is the study ability. Before coming to Japan, I was afraid of expressing my opinion in the public. And I could not propose a problem after learning new things. Actually, to propose a problem may be more important than solving a problem. However, in the class of Kyoto University, through continuous presentations, discussions and reports, I come to be able to think by myself, think problems and express myself in the public. Although sometimes I am in trouble, these exercises help me improve my study abilities.

In a word, studying in Kyoto University was an enjoyable experience in my life. From my perspective, the content of this program consisted of the following 3 parts. First was the class teaching. In the class teaching, professors not only taught students knowledge but guided students to find problems and solve them. This program courses taught me how to study economics even on my own. Second was learning by practice. The course of field research in Japan really impressed me a lot. During the practice, we could ask question directly to economy parties. In the field research, I could see what we have learned in books as an actual example. Third is the chance to communicate with the professors oversea. One of my courses was taught by two professors from Italy and USA and they taught me different ways of thinking about development economics.

This program had a large impact on my career plan. It widened my academic horizon and, I find that now I am more interested in academic research, especially development economics. For example, as we all know, in the recent two years, China has suffered from a wide range of fog haze weather which had never happened before. The air quality of China is becoming worse and worse, especially in Beijing. But there was nobody who had done research on the air quality and people's happiness in China before. So I have done research to explore the relationship of air pollution and happiness of Chinese people. After class, I thought about my present research and I found that I just showed a result or a fact in China that the air pollution in China had destroyed people's happiness. Actually, we should study more about the mechanism that the air pollution affects people. And what's more important is that why Chinese people's happiness doesn't increase with the development of economy? Why does such awful air pollution happen in China? How we can do to solve it? The econometric method I have learned in classes will also be useful.

The more I have learned, the more I have been interested in academic research been. And Kyoto University professors' rigorous academic attitudes also deeply infected with me.

Enjoyable for Meeting with Kyoto University! I really appreciate this opportunity to study in Japan. These six months were so short but I got large quantities of things I would cherish forever! Thank you for JASSO scholarship and Kyoto University! I want to thank my supervisor Yano sensei in Kyoto University and all teachers in Kyoto University. I cannot obtain so many things without your help! Last but not least, it is so happy to meet with friends from all over the world. I believe this friendship endures and all of you are so excellent that teaches me a lot!