Professional academic training, fancy life here

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It is my great pleasure to take this exchange program to Kyoto University, one of the top university in the world. What' more, I have also took part in the East Asia Sustainable Economic Development Studies, a perfect economies study program in my mind. Over the last half year in Japan, I have improved myself a lot not only in the academy training, but also on my daily life. As for the academy, I have polished my previous paper and enriched it with a lot of new ideas. My research topic is the quantitative analysis of China's welfare cost. When this project firstly started, I just assumed the agents in the economy are homogeneous. However, when I came to Japan, after seeing the diversity of the students and my daily life, I have changed the homogeneity assumption to a heterogeneity one. And this innovation also has replenish the existing research, which is quite meaningful for this topic.

In this five months in Kyoto University, I took as many activities and different classes as I can, just like the local students here. In different outdoor activities, I made a lot of friends. My communication with them has made my life more colorful and also greatly opened my horizon. In the November festival, I have seen fancy dances and a lot of some other activities, which has greatly inspired me. What's more, I was also touched by Kyoto University's student's great talents. And I has also seen a different atmosphere here. In the Japanese courses, I was also touched by its culture. At the same time, I has also paid great attention to the culture in the East Asia. Also, I have chosen several courses to take part in, for example the Econometric Analysis of Developing Economies. Through the reading of the latest papers, I have not only enhance my academic ability, but also enhance my ability to write English articles. At the same time, through the tracking of various topics, their own understanding of economic reality is also clearer for me. And I am also getting used to the use of various economic measurement methods

East Asia Sustainable Economic Development Studies itself provides me with a good platform to understand different cultures and also to think about the future development of East Asia. The students in this program are mainly from the top universities in different countries such as the Renmin University of China, University of Cambridge, Peking University and so on. What's more, students here have quite different academic backgrounds, and it provides me with a great opportunity to learn different knowledge. I have once took part in a field trip to Toyota, which has also taught me a lot.

This project does provide a lot of inspiration for my future planning. The academic exercise make me understand that if you want to make one thing, you have to completely be engaged in to it.

I am very pleased to have such exchange, and it will very memorable for me.