

名古屋外国語大学海外派遣プログラム成果報告書

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1. 区分	中期留学 ・ <u>語学研修</u> ・ 海外実習
2. プログラム名称	夏期カナダ研修
3. 渡航先国名	カナダ（トロント）
4. 派遣期間	2023年 7月 29日（土）～ 2023年 8月 27日（日） 30日間
5. 派遣先教育機関名	トロント大学
6. 参加学生数	30名
7. 派遣目的	Students joined the DBAS Canada Study Tour, studying at the University of Toronto, Canada.
8. 派遣内容	Students participated in a four-week English/Culture study program at the University of Toronto. Students also conducted fieldwork, enjoyed living with a homestay family, and had three excursions to nearby attractions.
9. 成果	29 of 30 students were able to complete the course. One student, unfortunately, had great difficulty adapting to homestay life in Canada, and returned to Japan early.
10. 備考	Fortunately, the forest-fire situation in western Canada did not have any negative effects on the trip.

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Canada Study Tour Report

Please reflect on your time in Canada and answer the questions below. Please write in English and explain each point clearly, using examples.

1. What cultural differences did you experience?

I learned that Canada is a multicultural country. There were African, European, and Asian people in usually road. About the fashion, many people wore clothes which they like or want to wear. My host family told they do not mention others' appearance. For example, in Japan, some women do not wear short skirts because they are not confident their figure or worry about their age. However, some women wore short skirts or pants without any worry about their feature.

2. What was the most important or interesting thing that you learned?

In Canada, many people are kind and friendly. When I went to cafe or shops, they greet and talked something like "Hi, how are you? I like your hairstyle /nail art". Not only staffs but also people in bus praised each other. They looked as if they were friends. When I tried praising a staff's cloth, I could made her happy. Because of this action, I think I have become active.

3. Do you think you have changed as a result of your time in Canada? If so, how?

Yes. I think my English improved through classes and daily life. To improve my English, I spoke many time in class. In the weekend, I talked English with my friend all time. At first, I took time to tell something I want to say. However, I could speak fluently and continue talking with my host family in the last week. I think my action also improved. Because this program was only one month, I tried everything I could do through this study abroad. Because of this, I deal with many things without afraid of mistake.

4. How would you like to apply what you have learned for your future?

Through this program, I made my English skill and action better than before. It was interesting to learn the difference of culture and idea of other students and people among the daily life. Because of this learning, I could learn the way to communicate with other people who have different background. I want to be a flight attendant in the future so I will apply several communication skill and English. To use this in the future, I decide to continue learning English, communication, and cultures.

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1. What cultural differences did you experience?

The biggest cultural difference I have noticed is in greetings. In Toronto, it was commonplace to say hello and have a small talk with people I passed on the street. I thought this culture, which values meeting people more than in Japan, was very nice. I was also very surprised to learn that in Japan, people greet each other before and after meals with "Itadakimasu" and "Gochisousamadesu" (Thank you for the meal), but in Toronto and other countries, this is not the custom. And the cultural difference that I felt to be the most difficult was the tipping system. Few Asian countries, including Japan, have a tipping system. Therefore, it was difficult to determine how much is a reasonable amount to tip.

2. What was the most important or interesting thing that you learned?

The most interesting thing I learnt was the English accent of each country. Although English is a universal language, when you actually communicate with people of different nationalities, the accent of words and the emphasis of sentences differ little by little, and although I sometimes had to listen back at first, I was able to notice the pronunciation habits of each country. What was common in each country was that the accent was always on the first word and verb in a sentence.

3. Do you think you have changed as a result of your time in Canada? If so, how?

Some aspects changed in many ways, while others, of course, remained the same. For example, when it came to matters of love, gender issues were smaller than in Japan, homosexuals and transgender people were commonplace, and an environment was always created where coming out was easy. Therefore, the way I was aware of homosexuals and transgender people changed compared to when I was in Japan. What did not change was the awareness of time. Late arrivals were considered normal, but I could not understand this idea.

4. How would you like to apply what you have learned for your future?

This study-abroad programme gave me a new appreciation of the cultures of different nationalities. I was very surprised to find that many things that are commonplace in Japan are not at all commonplace in other countries. Because of this cultural difference, I lived in Toronto with the motto "When in Rome, do as the Romans do". I would also like to make use of my experience of Toronto's unique culture, where we respected each other's cultural differences, in my next study abroad experience.

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1. What cultural differences did you experience?

I learned it is important for Canadians to be in nature. In my case, my host family is active. Therefore, they took me to many places on weekends. For example I enjoyed a BBQ near the lake and went to the park. At there, there were many people who enjoyed being in nature reading a book or talking with others. I thought this culture is so nice. Also I think Canada is a really diverse country. I knew that. However, there were more people who came from various countries than I thought. In addition, they think diversity is natural. I thought people who live in Canada are tolerant.

2. What was the most important or interesting thing that you learned?

In our class, we learned about technology. It was difficult to think about the future with technology. However, I could learn the differences of problems or positive points between Japan and others. It was interesting.

3. Do you think you have changed as a result of your time in Canada? If so, how?

Yes. I wanted to be open-minded. Also, I don't want to be afraid of speaking English. Through this program. I think native speakers have their own opinion clearly. I am afraid of it because I cannot say what I want to say. In our class, sometimes, I could not tell my classmates. However, I tried to speak English without fear. Then, my classmates tried to think what I said and we could talk well. I was so happy. In addition, through this situation, I became open-minded a little. I enjoyed talking with international students.

4. How would you like to apply what you have learned for your future?

I had spend a great time learning English for 1 month. I could learn about cultures and natural English. Therefore, I would like to keep learning about English that is used in native and speak English everyday. For example, I try to do shadowing.