

JENESYS2015 Inbound program

(Thailand, Theme: Culture(Japanese Language Communication/Experience in Japanese Culture) Technology (Exchange in Manufacture/Craftsmanship Culture)

Program Report

1. Program Overview

Under “Japan’s Friendship Ties Program”, 51 university students from Thailand who are interested in Japanese culture and technology visited Japan. During the 9 days program from November 30 to December 8, the participants studied Japanese government, society, history, culture, technology and much more.

2. Participating Countries and Number of Participants

Thailand: 51 participants

3. Prefectures Visited

Tokyo and Oita

4. Program Schedule

November 30 (Mon) Arrival at Narita International Airport, Program Orientation

December 1 (Tue) 【Lecture on Japanese Culture／Key Note Lecture】
【History/Traditional Culture】 Asakusa, Edo-Tokyo Museum

December 2 (Wed) 【Cutting-Edge Technology】 Miraikan - National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation
Move to Oita, Kyushu

December 3 (Thu)～December 6 (Sun) Divided into 2 groups

- * Culture Group 【Japanese Culture Experience】 Tea Ceremony, Koto, Fue
【History/Traditional Culture】 Kannawa Onsen, hot spring "Umi gigoku"
【Regional Industry】 TOS TV Oita (Local Broadcast Station)
【School Exchange】 Oita University
【Homestay】
【Workshop】 Preparation for Reporting Session
- * Technology Group 【History/Traditional Culture】 Beppu City Traditional Bamboo Crafts Center, Usuki Sekibutsu, Kannawa Onsen, Hot spring "Chinetsu"
Kanko LAB, Stone Buddhist Image in Usuki City
【Regional Industry】 OMRON Taiyo Co. Ltd.
【Sports Exchange】 Experience in Wheelchair Basketball
【School Exchange】 Oita University
【Homestay】

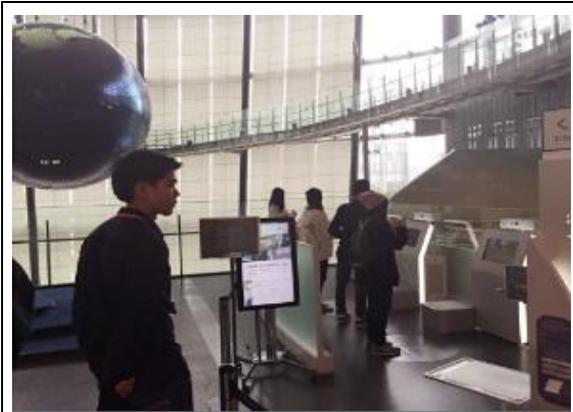
【Workshop】 Preparation for Reporting Session

December 7 (Mon) Move to Tokyo

【Reporting Session】

December 8 (Tue) Departure from Narita International Airport

5. Program Photos



12/1 【Cutting-Edge Technology】 Miraikan - National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation (Tokyo)



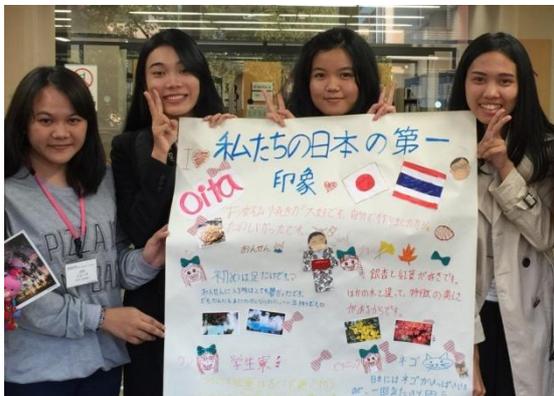
12/3 【History and Culture】 Beppu City Traditional Bamboo Crafts Center (Oita)



12/3 【History and Culture】 Usuki Sekibutsu (Oita)



12/4 【Regional Industry】 TOS TV Oita (Oita)



12/4 【School Exchange】 Oita University (Oita)



12/5 【Homestay】 (Oita)

6. Voice from Participants

Thailand, Student

I was impressed with the polite behavior of the Japanese people. Both adults and children greet each other when they meet face to face or catch eyes. I noticed it during my homestay and exchange at the university. Sales persons of shops were also very polite. I remember that they were always smiling and friendly toward customers. I also learned that Japanese laws are very well organized. In a crosswalk, vehicles stop when the crosswalk signal turns blue. Most of the Japanese people walk on the crosswalk one after another. Bicycles cross on the bicycle lane at crossing the crosswalk. Even when the crosswalk signal turns red, vehicles wait until everyone finishes passing the crosswalk. I'd like to tell others about everything I learned in Japan after I go back, including their polite behavior and full observance of the rules.

Thailand, Student

Everything was new to me. I was greatly impressed with Japan. Japan is safe and very beautiful, and people are kind. I was moved by heartfelt welcome by a host family. They received us like a real family. I hope to come back again. I gained a lot of information from every place I visited through this program as well as sightseeing in Asakusa. They were all interesting. I'd like to tell about Japan to my friends, teachers, parents, and acquaintances to share what I felt and learned and my inspiring experiences. From the bottom of my heart, I wished to live in Japan.

Thailand, Student

I like Japan from the first, but I had no chance to visit until now. So, I anxiously looked forward to visiting Japan when I knew about the program. I was very glad to come to Japan for the first time. During my stay in Japan, I watched how Japanese people live, had my favorite Japanese food, stayed in a nice hotel, and visited *Umi-Jigoku* in Beppu and Oita Broadcasting System. I was able to gain a lot of knowledge that I haven't had. All the people I come to know were kind and very helpful. I also made some friends. The most impressive experience was a homestay during which I felt the warmth of people. I learned the living style of people of Oita Prefecture, which was different from that of Tokyo. People of Oita Prefecture were friendly and kind. I appreciate that I had an opportunity to come to Japan to gain many experiences and knowledge.

Thailand, Student

I was most impressed with a visit to *Miraikan* (National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation). This is because I had a chance to see *kodomoroid*, a child robot, and *otonaroid*, an adult robot. They looked just like human. These robots can even answer to questions. I

thought that robots will become further closer to human in the future, and provide us services. In addition, a micro-controller will be used in medical operations. The micro-controller controls a robot hand inserted into a human body to remove tumor by looking at its image on a monitor screen. I believe this kind of technology will drastically advance medical treatment worldwide in the future.

7. Action Plan Presented at the Reporting Session by Participants

<p>Findings in Japan</p>	<p>Action Plan</p>
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