



KAKEHASHI Project Inbound program (Canada, University students) Program Report

1. Program Overview

Under “Japan’s Friendship Ties Program”, 21 students from University of Ottawa and Carleton University, Canada who are interested in Japanese culture, history and technology visited Japan. During the 7 days program from December 9 to December 15, 2015, the participants studied Japanese culture, society, history and foreign policy, and much more. The participants aim to promote Japan through mediums such as SNS.

2. Participating Countries and Number of Participants

Canada: 21 participants

University of Ottawa: 10 Students, 1 Chaperone

Carleton University: 10 Students

3. Prefectures Visited

Tokyo and Hyogo

4. Program Schedule

December 9 (Wed) Arrival at Narita International Airport

December 10 (Thu) Program Orientation

【Lecture】 “Japan’s Foreign Policy” by the North American Affairs
Bureau, MOFA

【Courtesy Call】 Embassy of Canada

Move to Canada on Shinkansen

December 11 (Fri) 【School Exchange】 Kobe University

【Cutting Edge Technology】 RIKEN, AICS, K Computer

【Homestay】 Meeting the Hostfamilies

December 12 (Sat) 【Homestay】 Homestay

December 13 (Sun) 【Homestay】 Farewell Party with hostfamilies

【Workshop】

Move to Tokyo

December 14 (Mon) 【Cutting-Edge Technology】 National Museum of Emerging Science
and Innovation (Miraikan)

【Historical Architecture】 Asakusa

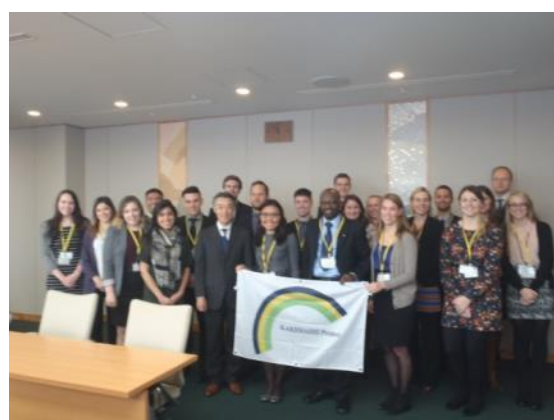
【Reporting Session】

December 15 (Sun) 【History】 Imperial Palace, Tokyo Station
Departure from Narita International Airport

5. Program Photos



12/10 Program Orientation (Tokyo)



12/10 【Lecture on Japan】 Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Tokyo)



12/10 【Courtesy Call】 Embassy of Canada (Tokyo)



12/11 【School Exchange】 Kobe University (Kobe)



12/11 【School Exchange】 Kobe University (Kobe)



12/11 【Cutting Edge Technology】 RIKEN, AICS, K Computer (Kobe)



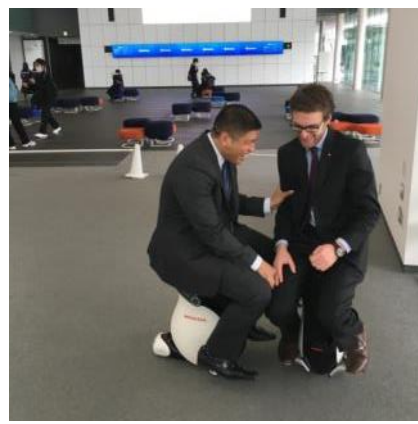
12/12 Homestay (Kobe)



12/13 Farewell Party with the Host Family (Kobe)



12/13 Workshop



12/14 【Cutting-Edge Technology】 National Museum of Emerging Science



12/14 Reporting Session



12/14 【Historical Architecture】 Asakusa

6. Voice from Participants

Canada, University student

During my brief time in Japan, I've been thoroughly impressed by the innovation that underpins much of the economy. I will share my observations with colleagues at work about the emphasis placed on science and technology research done at universities and its commercialization and implementation by industry. Government support for establishing a super computer is an example of an area of government policy I intend to research further.



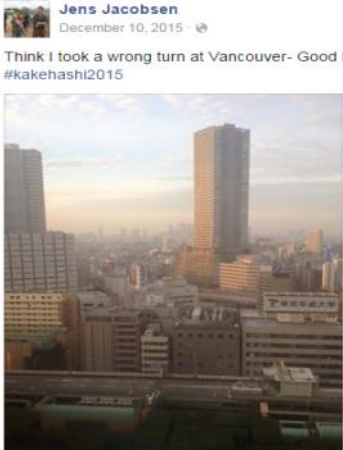

Canada, University student

I was really impressed by the cleanliness, politeness, and order of Japanese society. During my homestay, we traveled by transit to the cities of Kyoto and Osaka – throughout the day I observed how thousands of people showed respect to each other and the environment, talking quietly, leaving room for others and leaving the space as clean as they found it. This shows an incredible mindfulness and respect I'm not used to; I would really hope that Canada can learn this from Japan.

Canada, University student

The most interesting part of my experience was how similar Japanese and Canadian lives are. I found similar traits between both cultures. Also, I was impressed by the transit system in Japan because Canada does not have anything comparable.

7. Action Plan Presented at the Reporting Session by Participants

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Instagram	Twitter
 <p>Jens Jacobsen December 10, 2015 · 🌐</p> <p>Think I took a wrong turn at Vancouver- Good Morning Japan! #kakehashi2015</p>	 <p>Geranda Notten @GerandaNotten</p> <p>#Kakehashi2015 participant and @UOttawaGSPiA alumni Decky Kipuka Kabongi analyzes Japan's economic development stream.chuo.fm/2501/2/2016010...</p> <p>16:52 · 2016年1月11日</p>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each member will contribute to a shared blog about a particular aspect of Japanese culture, economy, and policy that we learned about during the Kakehashi trip • The group will produce an op-ed for Carleton University's and University of Ottawa's student media (ie. newspaper/radio) • News articles covering Japanese-Canadian relations will be promoted through social media <p>A shared Instagram account will be created to share Ottawa student's photos</p>	<p>WHY : (Reasons to do it)</p> <p>To share what we learned about Japan through participation in the Kakehashi program</p> <p>WHEN : (When will it be done?)</p> <p>Over the few months after we return to Canada</p> <p>WHO : (Who will do it?)</p> <p>All group members</p> <p>WHO : (To whom?)</p> <p>Social and professional networks</p>
Action Plan	Action Plan