

Waseda Journey

I studied at Waseda in the first semester, 2024. I came to Japan with full expectations, and I spent happier days than I expected.

First, I would like to talk about my school life. I was surprised that I had one class a week. It was because I had to take same classes two times a week in my home university. In this case, time of class is relatively short(75min per class), but it takes less time to prepare for the next class time. So, it took me quite long time to adjust to timetable of Waseda when the semester started. The second interest thing is that the semester is divided into two quarters. Using this system, I was able to apply for a wider variety of lectures!



Like all Japanese students, Waseda students are passionate about their club. On the day of the entrance ceremony, many students came to promote the club, and I was excited about their enthusiasm. If you come to Waseda University, I recommend you join the club. I joined a baking club and made several desserts with kind Waseda students.



This apple pie is what I made in the club ☺



If you come to Waseda, you must watch the match of Waseda and Keio, called 'Sokei-sen.' It's a sports game of these two universities. Not only the athletes, but also the students who support them are so passionate that I can't forget how I felt when I watched them first. It's wonderful that someone can be so immersed in what he like during his college life.

Let me introduce my favorite places near the campus.



Cohaze Coffee

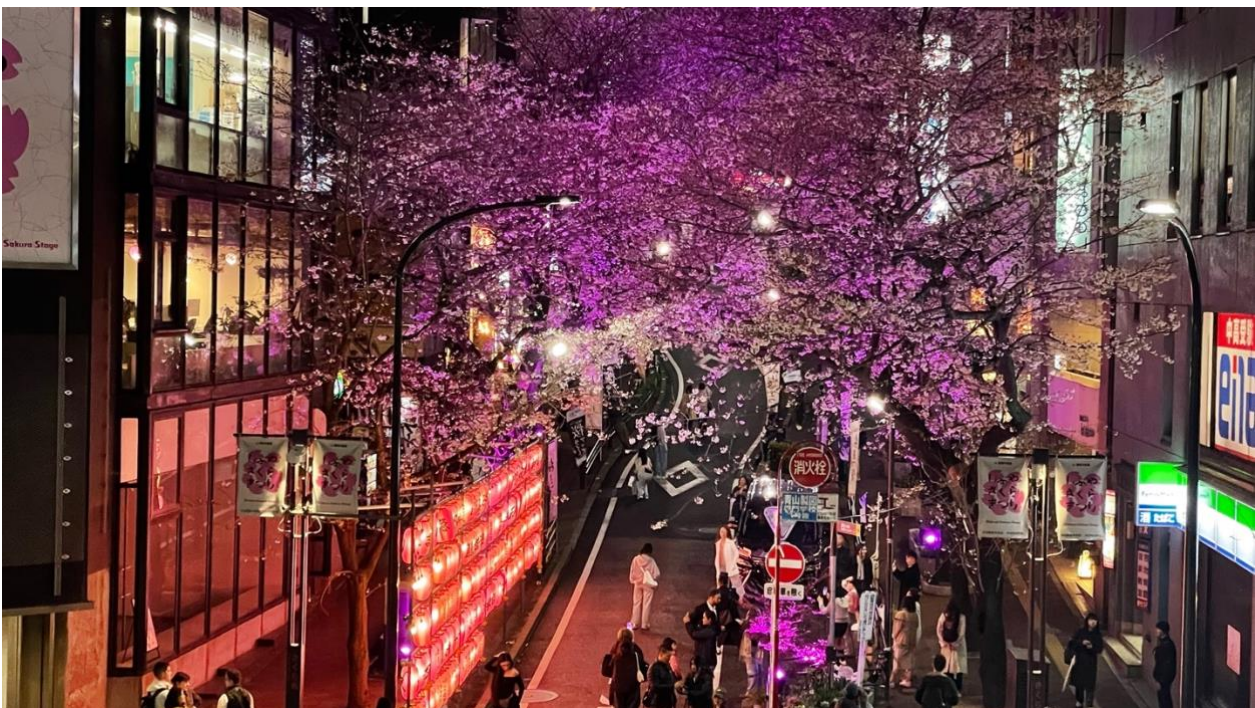
You can enjoy cheap and delicious coffee in a quiet atmosphere. I really liked this place where it's okay to study because I used to study at cafes. There are comic books inside, so you can read them freely.



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The second is the okonomiyaki restaurant. I recommend this for not only the taste, but also the variety of menus. The recommended menu is okonomiyaki with kimchi or cheese on it.

Another advantage of Waseda is its location. I lived in a dormitory near the Toyama campus, and I think it is good to go to the nearby downtown area. There are many places that can be easily accessed such as Shinjuku, Ikebukuro, Shibuya, Kichijoji, and Tokyo Station through Fukutoshin Line, Tozai Line, and Yamanote Line. I hope you can take advantage of this and travel around on days when there are no classes. I was able to experience various cultures in Japan and make good memories.





Life as an exchange student in Waseda gave me a lot of pleasure and enlightenment. I was able to study in Japan, where I was interested, and experience a more diverse and wider world by meeting friends from other countries. It is a pity that this short period ended, but I was very happy to attend classes as a student of Waseda University for about five months. I will never forget the campus, lecture room, library, cafe, and all the scenery of the Waseda campus.