

Exchange Experience • WASEDA





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Ø1Introduction

More about myself:)



About me

- Country: Singapore
- Home university: Nanyang Technological University (NTU)

At Waseda: Taking English-based lessons at the School of Social Sciences







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Sodairyo

(Waseda International Student Dorm)



Lively dorm, good company, fun experience

We have a shared-lounge on level 5 of our dorm, where many of us gather frequently to talk, watch movies, play games, or even cook together!









Cooking in dorm with new friends

When we moved in, we quickly became friends and cooked together! I never thought I would use the kitchen here but cooking with friends makes the experience so fun and enjoyable:)





Spring Picnic (Dorm Bonding) at 🖈 Yoyogi Park



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Ohanami (お花見) with dorm friends

A few of us from the dorm decided to go to Oji for Ohanami back in April. The Sakura was super pretty!













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Also celebrated my birthday in Japan!









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Another lesson I'm taking is called "Contemporary Japanese Society" taught by Mr Terao Hanno. He arranged for a group visit for us to Yushukan Museum in Yasukuni Shrine to learn more about the Japanese war history











Lessons in class are fun too :)

I'm taking this lesson called the "East and Southeast Asian Study in Practice" taught by Prof Upalat and we get guest lectures every week!







Favourite Wasemeshi (ワセメシ)

Kawashima Onigiri is really my favourite onigiri in this world! I eat this at least once every 1 to 2 weeks. I will miss this a lot when I leave Japan:(





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I also like this bento shop "Ineya" run by a cute elderly couple ~ The bento is affordable and is always packed with delicious food made with love









05 Other friendships

Special shoutout to my good friends from NTU – we wouldn't have become friends without this trip to Japan. They are seriously my rock in Japan















Things I learnt from this experience





Living alone and being independent

Stepping out of my comfort zone being in a foreign country





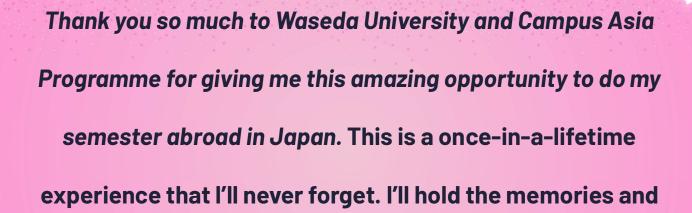
Japanese

I learnt Japanese level 1 before coming here but I learnt so much more living in Japan as compared to learning from the textbooks



Importance of friendships and bonds

They made my experience!



lessons learnt from the past 5 months close to my heart!





