

Kitami Institute of Technology

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International “C” Hour “Let’s welcome the new international students”

【Wed, 22 April : Communication Atrium 】

We had an International “C” Hour on April 22nd (Wed) at the Communication Atrium. We had a welcome party for new international students with 109 people attending, including Japanese students and citizens in total. There are 17 new international students this April. President Mr. Takahashi made an address at the beginning. He hopes they will make great memories and grow up mentally as humans here in Kitami. Then we enjoyed “High Five” game as an icebreaker. When the MC said, “The person who has touched pigs”, people who have experienced it come together at the center of the circle and give a High Five to each other. After that game, new international students introduced themselves in Japanese. At the end, we played an exchanging name cards BINGO game. The persons who won the BINGO game received nice presents as a prize. We hope international students will have a wonderful life in Kitami.



Wang Andi
(China)

I am Wang Andi. I am an exchange student from Harbin Engineering University. My favorite Japanese word is “ISSHOU KENMEI: 一生懸命 because I believe that I can get over anything if I keep trying. I like Chinese literature and Japanese Haiku. My hobbies are cooking and singing. Thank you.



Jeong Kihun
(Korea)

My name is Jeong Kihun. I am from Kangwon National University. I am a senior majoring in electrical and electronic engineering. I like video games. I had been to Kitami before and I am glad to come back. Kitami is such a nice place to live, because the scenery is beautiful and people are kind. Thank you.



Enkhbold
Davaanyam
(Mongolia)

I am Davaanyam. I am from Mongolia. KIT has freedom. There are many kinds of classes and I can take any of them. I can make a lot of Japanese friends and foreign friends, too. I have already made lots of friends since I came here. Thank you.

Orientation for New International Students

【Tue, 7 & Fri, 10 April Room: B214】



We had orientations for new 11 short term, 5 undergraduate international students and 1 graduate international student on April 7th and 10th. Ms. Konomi, who is the director of the international center, explained all the procedures for studying here as a student, such as how to register for classes and how to sort garbage. She also explained about culture shock the students might go through. They were interested to hear about that. After that, she explained all the events at KIT and in Kitami city including "C" Hour and the school festival. The students were excited about that. Then Ms. Yuko Hosoda from the Kitami police station explained Japanese laws and rules, and how to evacuate in natural disasters. We had a discussion of what to bring when evacuating. At the end of the orientation, students met their Japanese tutors. They seemed to be nervous but they introduced each other and interacted for a while.

Language Tour Guidance

【Fri, 23 April

: Multipurpose Room】

We had a guidance for a Language Study Tour on April 23rd (Fri) at the Multipurpose Room. Ms. Konomi, the director of the International center, and Mr. Suzuki, a Japanese teacher, explained the study tours in Germany, Australia and Harbin.



About 30 students participated in this guidance and they were interested in qualification requirements, expenses and so on. The Germany study tour will be at Freiburg University in Germany, the English tour will be in Australia, at Sydney University and Queensland University in Brisbane, the same as last year. The Chinese study tour will be at Harbin Engineering University this year. We hope these chances will help KIT students go abroad, study language and improve their expertise.

International "C" Hour "Get to know about Algeria & Malaysia"

【Thu, 28 May : Meeting Room 2 at General Research Building】

We had an International "C" Hour in the Meeting Room 2 in the main researching building on May 28th (Thu). Ms. Dayang Nur Nadirah and Ms. Lee Chui Shiang introduced their own country, Malaysia. They explained that there are 4 races and people can speak several languages as a multiracial country. When they showed a video of how to cook international bread with professional techniques, the audience was amazed to see it. Then Ms. Bouragba Saadia from Algeria introduced her country. She explained that more than 90% of the land is desert in Algeria. She also introduced traditional costumes, dance, and crafts. She showed many pictures that the audience had never seen before. There were more than 50 people at this event and they enjoyed listening to the presentations and asking questions.



■ Future Schedule (June - July)

- Sun, 7 June Nature Experience in Tokoro [Tokoro Insects Museum]
- Fri, 19 June Wild grass observation [Tomisato-Lake Camping Base]
- Sat, 20 June – Sun, 21 June Kitami Institute of Technology Festival
- Sat, 27 June Okhotsk International Meeting [Parabo]
- Thu, 9 July International "C" Hour : PETAKUTA [6F Main Research Building]
- Fri, 17 July Dance parade in Kitami Bonchi-festival