

Report of Study Abroad

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I could go from level 2 to level 3 this summer term. Level 3 was hard and the teachers spoke faster, but I am getting used to listening to English and understanding English more. I got a lot of friends who can speak English very well and I talked a lot with them which helped my understanding of words better. This term was shorter than the last term. I had classes which were from 9:15 a.m. to 3:20 p.m. Monday's through Thursday's and 9:15 a.m. to 11:35 a.m. on Friday's. So I had to work hard on my class work. However, I had free time after the classes so after, I did my homework in library, went shopping, went to the cafe and to the gym. The most interesting thing was drinking beer with my friends. Portland is known as a famous craft beer city. It has so many breweries and they are good quality. In America, in order to drink alcohol, you must be at least 21 years old. So, I recommend for someone who likes beer and wants to study in America, that they should choose Portland. Now, drinking beer with my friends is my hobby.



On some weekends, I went camping and hiking with my friends. At that time, I realized how big America is. I had a good experience with camping in America. I cannot have the same experience in Japan. On July 4th, it was independence day in America. I actually did not know about it at first. It was such a big event, and I watched a lot of cool fireworks everywhere. I went to a "traveling amusement park." I had not seen many it in Japan. It was kind of cheaper amusement park that did not always stay in the same spot, it moved to different places. It was a cheap investment, but I still had a fun time.



Finally, I only have 4 more months to study English in America. I do not want to waste this opportunity, so I have to do my best. Most of my Japanese friends went back to Japan,

so I will not have many opportunities of speaking Japanese. That means that I will have many more opportunities of speaking English. I need to focus on studying English so when I leave Portland, I can be proud of myself for all my hard work on my great English.