

Participant Views of HUSTEP



HUSTEP offers an open and inclusive environment that encourages diversity. The people that I met were open-minded, tolerant, and friendly. I never experienced any racism or discrimination here. If you are a Muslim, Hokkaido University is close to a Mosque and Islamic Center. The university also has a Mushalla (prayer room) in some buildings. There are Halal restaurants and stores nearby. I made friends from many countries. They supported me and helped me feel accepted. Joining HUSTEP is one of the best decisions that I ever made in my life!

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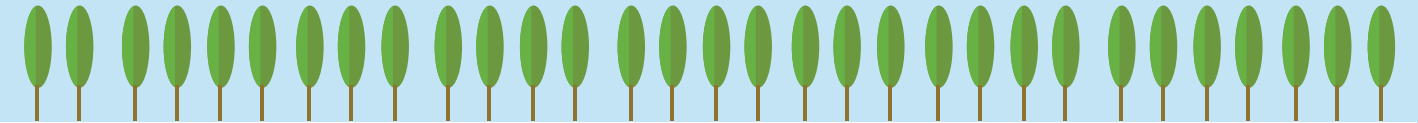
Participating in HUSTEP was not just a student exchange but an experience of a lifetime. I enrolled in classes outside my undergraduate major, allowing me to gain knowledge in diverse fields and acquire new skills. Studying Japanese helped me to learn language skills for communication. Maintaining an active lifestyle was made easy by the various clubs and facilities. I loved the university's gym, which boasted state-of-the-art fitness facilities. Regular workouts and exercise routines kept me energized and healthy, complementing my journey of exploration.

Sreejith Rameshan Rajani
Indian Institute of Technology, Hyderabad, India



Going on exchange to Hokkaido University was one of the best decisions I've ever made. In addition to my studies in the classroom, I learned a lot outside of class. I got to travel to many different places in Japan. I made friends with many Japanese in Sapporo. This allowed me to improve my Japanese language skills. I also made many friends from different countries and learned much about the world. Participating in HUSTEP was not only about learning more about Japan but about the whole world.

Maika Kubo Truong
University of Washington, USA



My favorite experience was meeting with Japanese students. I had several opportunities to interact with Japanese high school students from different parts of Japan. I explained the value of learning English and studying abroad. I also participated in a panel discussion at Hokkaido University for over 400 first-year Japanese university students. I described my study abroad experience. I discussed how to overcome challenges and the advantages of studying abroad. My time in HUSTEP was life-changing. I highly recommend this program to anyone interested in studying abroad.

G. K. Dulmini Tharushika
University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka



One of the highlights of my HUSTEP exchange was the dormitory life. Living in the Keiteki dorm was an unforgettable experience. It served as a cultural meeting point, gathering people from all over the world to live together under the same roof. Dorm life included many dinners, birthday parties, movie nights, and spontaneous get-togethers. It was an intense way of living in all the best ways. My friends at the dorm made the place feel like home. Cooking, eating, discussing, and joking around together, day after day, built a bond between us that will last a lifetime. The Keiteki dorm will forever hold a special place in my heart.

Valentin Jutila
Aalto University, Finland



Participating in HUSTEP was an enjoyable and meaningful experience. There are many fascinating courses offered. They range from science courses to social studies courses. The Japanese language courses helped me to improve my Japanese language proficiency. I also joined Hokkaido University's Women's Basketball Club. Although most members spoke only Japanese, I felt welcomed in every practice session. Talking to the club members allowed me to practice and improve my Japanese. Joining the club helped me to stay active during my studies. Being a part of HUSTEP has positively impacted my life.

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