



What's happening? Student Life as a Foreign Student

be aware of it, but many of us, myself included, are capable of speaking Japanese, so you need not feel worried or embarrassed. If you take the time to talk to me, you might find we share common interests, and I might even invite you to join me for lunch or coffee, or to go out to karaoke sometime. The years we spend in college are often the most fun years of our lives. Perhaps we can share these good times with each other, and learn something important about the world at the same time.

live lives filled with as much happiness as possible. The experiences that have taught me these things are the ones that I enjoy the most, and perhaps carry more meaning than lessons learned in a classroom.

I hope that by being a student at Tokushima University, that I am also sharing those lessons with my classmates. I hope that once someone talks to me, they understand that I am not just a foreigner; I am a hard-working student just like them. I hope they understand that even though I may not be able to properly express my thoughts and feelings yet, that I still think about the same things they do, that I worry about my future also, that I have things I want to accomplish in my life, and that I have things that I take interest in and enjoy, just like them. I hope they see that I am a person, just like them. If I can do this, even if I share this lesson with only one classmate who speaks with me, that will be the best thing of all about my life at Tokushima University. Therefore, I encourage you, the reader, to not hesitate speaking to me or any other foreign students. You may not



more freely and make myself better understood when I speak to them, and understand them better when they speak to me. I like getting to know my classmates better, which is probably what I enjoy most about student life.

Even though I am a shy person, I like to make new friends. Living and going to school in Japan has given me the opportunity to make friends that I would not have made by remaining in my country. Many of my friends are also foreign students, but I have made some Japanese friends as well. Befriending people that are not from the same country I am from has given me the chance to learn about how people elsewhere think and do things differently, though I have learned that there are many more similarities than differences. We may have different native languages, we may not look the same, and we may have different customs, religions, favorite foods, and other such things, but as students, we all work hard to study and achieve our goals. We all have hopes and dreams, we all have things that are precious to us, and we want to

There are many things that I enjoy about being a college student in Japan. I am grateful to be able to attend a great university with such knowledgeable, helpful professors and kind classmates. My courses are mostly Japanese language classes, so I spend most of my time studying to improve my Japanese fluency. I am also in other classes, some with Japanese students only, so I must also work hard to study for those classes as well. But even though I am putting so much effort toward my studies, I am still enjoying my life as a student at Tokushima University.

One thing that I enjoy is the experience of seeing my Japanese ability gradually improving. When I can read a kanji that I could not read before, or understand a word without having to use my dictionary, it makes me very happy with myself and my studies. Especially because I am taking regular courses with Japanese students, it is important that I am able to understand the professor and read the textbook. It also makes me happy because then I can speak with my classmates

「取材」

臨床の現場を知る薬剤師となつてほしい

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徳島大学病院で約5年、調剤薬局で1年の薬剤師経験を経て薬学部の助教となった土屋先生には、当初薬剤師として苦労した経験がありました。

「薬のことは知っていても、臨床の現場の経験がないために実際の病気のことをあまり知らなかったんです。薬の説明書を読んでも、どのような病気なのかわからないものがたくさんありました」と語る先生の、この現場での経験が授業には生かされています。

「これは授業を医師まかせにするのではなく、薬剤師が正しい薬の選択がされているかチェックしなければならなくなります。その時に薬剤師が実際の病気のことを知らなければ正しいチェックができません。医師と薬剤師のギャップを少しでも埋めていくことができればと思います。」

土屋先生は臨床現場の情報や疾病の知識を共有するために、医療関係者との勉強会を開催しているそうです。



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「定期的に開催していますので、学生の皆さんもホームページを見て興味があれば、是非参加してみてくださいませ。」



情報は常にインターネットや書籍、最新の学術論文などから更新。「薬理や臨床、医学の世界は常に新

しい情報であふれています。1年もすればすぐ古くなってしまうんです。ですから学生にいつも新しい情報を提供できるように心がけています。目で見て勉強してもらおうと、病気(疾病)へのイメージーションをはたらかせつもらやあひんあひん

徳島大学の教育力
魅力ある授業

受講生(NTX)も新しい情報があり、新薬の話などでもおもしろいですね。スライドで見る患者さんの写真などはリアルでわかりやすいです。スライドは少し速くて、寝ている間もありませんが(笑)、ごまかいたころまで説明してくれるし、話が聞き取りやすいです。

秋号特集「学生パワー」を読んで



- 優秀でしっかりした学生さんが多いことに感心し、頼もしさを感じました。
 - 理系の学生がほとんどなので、文系の学生もとりあげてほしかった。
 - レイアウトが見やすくよかったです。
 - 専門用語が多すぎて、途中で読むのをやめてしまいました。もちろん残りは翌日読みましたが。
- 特集記事については、これからどんどん学生をテーマとした特集を組んでゆく予定です。ご期待ください。

とくtalkへのご意見

- テーマが毎号同じなのでマンネリ化している。作業が大変と思うがもっと学内情報を載せてはどうか。
→ 今後、掲載項目を少しずつ変えていきますのでご期待ください。また、学内情勢については徳大ホームページも併せてご利用ください。
- あまり連絡をくれない子供に代わってちょうど読みやすい厚さの「とくTalk」が唯一の情報源です。隅から隅まで読ませて頂いております。
→ 親御さんに大学のことを話してくれる学生は少数です。なお、平成11年7月号からの徳大広報誌の記事を下記のURLで読むことができます。

読者の言葉