

Being a University student in Japan

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After living about 2 months in Japan, I found out few specific things in Japanese university. I will explain the details below.



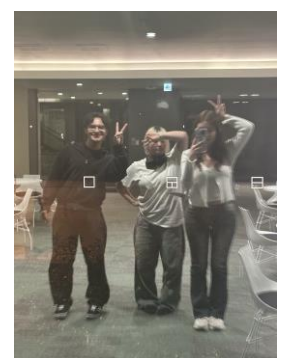
Part-time job

Whenever I ask some GIS students when are you free, they would respond me with some hours between their courses and arubaito. Most of them are even working during the weekends without taking a day off. Of course, I also think having those kinds of experiences to make money by themselves and afford tuition fee and trying to be independent financially are important yet it

sometimes seems to be a little overwhelming for them. People might think going on a trip can be later after they get stable financially, but I believe experiencing things in earlier age means a lot different, it can totally change the route of one's life. Also, the whole atmosphere that they need to be matured since they are adults sounds questionable for me. Being a mature person does not have to be someone that who cannot dream about new things since they cannot afford or need to face reality. We all should have rights to being ourselves without getting judged by people whether we are immature or not. I wish someday, there are more people can have broaden space in their mind to enjoy their time as being a university student.

Manners for sharing spaces

I got so surprised when I first saw the long line in front of Boissonade Tower. It always happens at the third period. They always stand in a line in front of the escalator as well. If I look back my university life in my home university, it was always so chaotic that I even cannot walk properly to the way that I wanted to go. I really appreciate about how they are trying to keep good manners in sharing places in Hosei.



Also about the library in Hosei, it is always so quiet that I am not even dare to go study there. My home university's library had less strict atmosphere like I can chat and eat snacks with my friend while we are studying. To be honest, I prefer that vibe of library since I am a kind of person that who can focus more with comfortable feelings and a little bit of noise together. Thus, I am using the Fujimi gate first floor to study more than going to library.