

中文心得

建校於 1886 年，梨花女子大學是韓國第一所女子大學，不但歷史悠久也是韓國國內名列前茅優秀大學的其中之一，梨大擁有眾多學院與系所而領域橫跨藝術人文到醫療科學，校內保有以歐式風格建造的古老建築並以校門的大講堂以及於門口斜坡新建的 E C C 為名，位於首爾西大門區的梨大不僅鄰近捷運站，周邊的生活機能也很方便成為美妝與服飾商店集中區而不少人潮也因觀光而來。

為了幫助交換生適應韓國留學生活以及增進韓文實力，梨大專門為國際交換生開設一週為期四次的韓語課程並總共分為六級，學生會依照線上測驗依據分數進入不同級數的分班，而課程主要內容是針對實用韓文文法進行聽說讀寫的練習，老師會透過輕鬆方式上課進而帶學生反覆練習到達可以自行運用已學過的文法或自行衍生句子及文章，透過上課及作業練習一年下來我的韓文能力也有大幅提升，而除了韓語課程之外交換生可以自由選擇其他課程，除了部分系所限制的專業課程外交換生能依自己喜好選課，即使韓語實力不足也無須擔心，因為仍有許多課程為全英文授課所以整體來說能參與的課程選擇還是非常多。

而課外的活動梨大也有非常多社團可以自由參加，其中一個便是校方與學校合作的 Peace Buddy 社團，每個交換生會被分配到一個當地的學生來幫助你適應韓國生活，而所有參加 Peace Buddy 的外國學生與梨大的學生每週會一起進行不同的活動，像是體驗親手製作韓國飯糰或是參訪著名景點首爾塔，中秋節時也會一起品嚐傳統點心跟體驗傳統遊戲，透過 Peace Buddy 社團可以更進一步了解韓國文化也跟著韓國人體驗他們當地特有的活動與民俗風情。

而透過交換帶給我的幫助有以下幾點

- 一、 增進自己的語言能力，自我提升
- 二、 認識當地與來自不同國家的朋友，一起交流
- 三、 體驗不同生活與吸收新的文化
- 四、 培養國際觀與自我獨立

透過一年的交換我覺得從中獲得的經驗是無價的，當然起初誰都是懷著忐忑與不安踏出自己的舒適圈，面對新環境必然存在著一定壓力與焦慮，但越是懂得克服而漸漸適應越容易發現周遭的新奇與美好，改變帶來挑戰但也使人成長，這一年中最讓我感到有成就的便是自己的韓文能力有明顯進步，身處在韓國每天除了日常生活中在課堂上也需常常用韓文表達自己的想法，耳濡目染之下開口用韓文說話變成了生活的一部分，不再像以往那麼害怕開口，當然除了語言之外，認識新的朋友與體驗不同上課方式真的大開我的視野，得以見識來自不同國家的觀點之外，也窺見競爭如此激烈的韓國每個學生的野心與認真之後更激發自己秉持同樣的精神，在看看新世界之後更能好好審視自己同時吸收更多新知，再來我覺得能交換而去其他國家擁有畢生的體驗是非常難得的機會，儘管面對未知會抱有不妥但我認為換來的經驗與回憶不但能成為自己的養分也會在未來成為一大助力，克服困難後將會更勇於面對充滿挑戰的嶄新未來。

照片



與其他交換生一起去江原道滑雪



與其他交換生一起去景福宮體驗韓服



與同樣在梨大交換的台灣人一同去天空公園

Ewha Womans University is one of the most prestigious universities in South Korea. Established since 1886 as the first women's university in South Korea and currently the world's largest female educational institute, Ewha is well known for its high reputation in the academic field with a disciplined atmosphere in school, yet at the same time providing students abundant resources and comfortable environment to explore and study freely. Ewha also has a variety of colleges all the way from Liberal Arts, Music, Art & Design to Medicine, Nursing, Engineering and so on, offering students diverse directions to choose from.

Furthermore, Ewha also provides Korean courses for international exchange students to assist foreigners learn and improve their Korean ability and help them accommodate themselves to the new lifestyle and surroundings in Korea. Korean courses are separated into several levels and students will be distributed according to their Korean ability in general. Personally, through Korean class, I've gained practical Korean speaking and writing skills that help me communicate with Koreans and even make Korean friends. Teachers of Korean courses lead students to engage in exercises and practices and gradually help us get used to speak in Korean comfortably using grammars learned in class. Moreover, Ewha also offers many English-taught courses from different colleges for international students to choose from, so we were able to take classes according to our preference without worrying difficulties in comprehending Korean.

In addition to academic life, Ewha also matches every international exchange students with an "Ewha Peace Buddy," who is a current student studying at Ewha and not only will she help you with getting used to your life as an exchange student, but will also take you to experience different extra curriculum activities such as traditional Korean games or making traditional Korean desserts or even visiting popular sites in Seoul. Other than Ewha Peace Buddy, there are also different clubs consist of students that offer Korean tutor or language exchange programs for international students.

Followings are what I've gained and learned through this year as an exchange student:

1. Practical skills and major improvements in speaking, reading, listening and writing in Korean
2. Knowledge of Korean culture and better understanding in Korean lifestyle and making Korean friends
3. Experience in working with different foreign students and presenting class project together
4. New knowledge from taking different courses and developed an international perspective

Through this year studying at Ewha, I've experienced a brand-new lifestyle and gained valuable memories. Although living abroad alone could run into difficulties due to cultural differences from time to time, through gradually accommodating life in Korea, I've grown love for this place and explored new places and find discoveries at my leisure every day. Before going to Korea, I was only capable of basic Korean alphabets and grammars, but after spending a year living in the country and surrounded by Korean-speaking environment day by day, now I've managed to make everyday conversation in Korean and been able to also manage my life relying only on Korean. Thus, I'm quite confident to say that within a short time living abroad perhaps is the most efficient way to improve your ability of language and it's also the best opportunity to experience local culture and observe lifestyle there. There's no doubt that stepping out of comfort zone could bring challenges, but in the long run these challenges are going to end up becoming unforgettable lifetime experiences that last forever.

Photos



Went skiing with other exchange students at Gangwon-do.



Wearing Hanboks together with other exchange students at Gyeongbokgung



Went to Haneul Park with other Taiwanese exchange students at Ewha.