

STUDENT MOBILITY SCHEME REPORT



[For participants]

Your experience can help other students when they are planning for their study abroad program. To make sure that prospective students have a chance to learn from your experience, everyone who has participated in the SMS program should complete a Student Mobility Scheme Report.

Upon completion of the form, please submit it to the office which handles the ACUCA SMS at your institution.

Please note that the information will be shared with other students who are interested in the SMS through the website.

Thank you for your cooperation.

[For coordinators]

This report will be posted on the ACUCA Website. We would appreciate it if you could email us the file electronically.

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2. Home Institution— Name: Keimyung University Country: Korea

3. Host Institution— Name: Hong Kong Baptist University Country: Hong Kong

4. Study Period: from 09 / 2012 to 05 / 2013 (mm/yyyy)

5. How did you hear about the ACUCA Student Mobility Scheme? (Please Specify)

International Office at your institution, ACUCA Website, From Fellow Student, Others

Comment:

While searching for the appropriate school for exchange student program in the international office at my home institution.

6. What did you study and what kind of activities did you take part in while abroad?

I took basic biology, psychology, Traditional Chinese Medicine courses as I'm majoring in Nursing.

7. Was it difficult adjusting to life abroad, and if so what were some of the difficulties?

First of all, different culture. HKBU exchange students are coming all around world. There're more western people than Asian people. This is good point and also difficult point. Because you can experience variety of cultures, but at the same time, you have to adjust yourself to different cultures. It will be better to get friendly with other culture people if you have interest in their cultures. Like music, movie, sports etc.

8. What advice would you give to fellow students at ACUCA universities who are thinking of taking part in the Student Mobility Scheme?

It's wonderful opportunity for you guys, don't hesitate so much. You can experience whole new world. It's true that sometimes you may feel homesick or miss your family and friends in your home town. But the experience of exchange student life worth it. You may not only experience new things, but also figure out ways to deal with unexpected problems or cope with other

9. Have you been changed in any way by the experience, and if so how?

I could control myself a little bit better. In exchange student life, I had more free time than ever. So I had to arrange my time to use it effectively and worthily.

And I could get close to foreign friends more easily.

10. How do you feel about other Asian Cultures now?

The one that I felt in HK is that HK is much more globalized. People in HK can speak English more fluently and They are more open minded to other culture and foreigners.

11. Any comments?

Below please attach a more descriptive account (300-400 words) of your experience with the SMS for possible publication to allow others to find out about the ACUCA SMS Program. Include such information as the type of study you did as well as the cultural experiences you had, and any other things you would consider interesting. Photos are welcome.

2012 Sep. 3 I flied to Hong Kong for exchange student program in Hong Kong Baptist University. At first, everything was awkward and felt unfamiliar. But soon I could meet many good friends from all around the world. I could tour around HK every weekends and participate many activities from international office of HKBU.

The most interesting one that I can remember was Night Cuttlefish Fishing. Organized by international office, the only thing that I had to was paying 70HKD. They provide nice boat, delicious dinner in the boat and all the stuff that I need to do cuttlefish fishing. It was wonderful night. Beside this activity, They offered many events throughout whole semester.

In here, I took mandarin, basic biology course, Traditional Chinese Medicine course (noncredit course), etc. It wasn't that hard to follow them even though my English wasn't perfect. The professors and other classmates were so kind and nice. I didn't have a serious problem while taking courses.



-Traditional Chinese Medicine course



- International Festival offered by International office



- Cuttlefish fishing offered by international office.