

China-Japan-Korea Serve Initiative 2017
Report of Summer School in Miyazu city

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1. Main Activities

8/4 : Orientation about this program and Presentation about aging problem in each countries(China, Hong Kong, Korea) . Visit Seya area.

8/5 : Briefing session at Kami-miyazu area. Lunch party and eco tour to Cedar mountain forest with local guide.

8/6 : Visit downtown with local downtown guide. Enjoy the event by Yoshizu women's association. Exchange meeting with local guide (Exchanging ideas and cultural experience etc.)

8/7 : Briefing session in Tawara area about there situation. Making buckwheat noodle.

8/8 : Having interview to producer and visitor at local vegetable market. (Magokoro market)

8/9 : Briefing session, observing and having interview at employment service center for elder people

8/10 : Debriefing session about summer school

2. Evaluation points

- It made possible to approach to program with the common perception by having presentation of aging problem in each countries on the first day.
- It was possible to share the perception of current situation by having plenty of time to communicate with local residents in small group or individual dialogs.
- The feedback from host communities and organization was relatively positive.
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It is important to get opinion from outside of the community. (Kami-miyazu community development association)

Many of young people came to enjoy the event, it picked us up. (Yoshizu women's association)

3. Achievement

The students who participated in the summer school could share the situation and subjects of aging problem in each countries. In Japan what is called aging society, they found many of elder people over 70 years old become the center of local community and have activities in it. By knowing the way of life for elder people in associations at Miyazu city, we confirmed that this is realization of "Active Aging" that is advocated by WHO. Furthermore, the most remarkable point of this program is the students found and recognized that the "Active Aging" is dynamics for the local development.

4. Issues to be considered

- Because the preparatory arrangement was done only by e-mail till joining together, there were some lack of recognition. It should have had meeting to share the program before summer school.
- It should have made schedule with flexibility in advance that can accommodate the climate change or something another situation happens
- Because of too many contents in the program, we could not have enough time to summarize and prepare for debriefing session.

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<Attached photographs>



1: Eco tour in Cider tree mountain in Kami Miyazu area. In front of “Tengu” large cider tree.(5th, Aug)



2: Dancing Miyazu song with local people. Exchange meeting with Local downtown guide.(6th, Aug)



3: Talking with people in Tawara region (7th, Aug)