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今学期(こんがっき)も がんばりました！



今学期（こんがっき）はいろいろなイベントがありました。
空手（からて）のワークショップ、Open House、おにぎりイベント🍙、抹茶（まっちゃ）アイスのパーティー・・・。ぜんぶ楽（たの）しかったですね！
来てくれたみなさん、ありがとうございました。
Final Weekはいそがしいですが、あとすこし、いっしょにがんばりましょう。





INTERNSHIPS AND WORK OPPORTUNITIES IN JAPAN



スーさん（3年生）は、日本の福岡（ふくおか）で GHJ のインターンシップをしました。For this and next issue, Hsu-san will introduce a **JET PROGRAM** and **GHJ International**.

Want to explore your options and opportunities for productive ways of travel and broadening your horizons around the world outside of studying abroad? Here I will be sharing two amazing programs that may be just the perfect fit for your situation!

(Written by ソフィー・スー)

1. JET Program



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The application process for the JET Program is a bit tedious and intimidating as the positions you would be applying for relatively require more certification as it is a full time program that consists of a one year contract that may be renewed up to five times. The requirements the the JET program application consist of:

- Bachelor's degree: By the specified arrival date, you must possess a bachelor's degree or its equivalent.
- Medical report: Fill out a form with your self-reported health issues.
- Transcripts: Present official transcripts from your institution or university.
- Letters of recommendation: Obtain letters of recommendation from professional or academic references.
- Proof of citizenship: Present proof of citizenship, such as a birth certificate or passport.
- Language proficiency: Although not necessarily required, knowing a little bit of Japanese can be helpful.

Whether this is the first or hundredth time you've read about the JET, the program is highly competitive and would require you to stand out. Want to enhance your resume when applying to JET?

2. GHJ International

GHJ International, located in Munakata city, Fukuoka, is teaching practicum program internship that offers the perfect opportunity to those who are interested in working in Japan, applying for JET, teaching, or becoming an ALT.



Though the internship is unpaid, GHJ will cover living costs at Global Arena, transportation to and from the schools, and 3 meals a day. (Flight expenses are not covered). Accepted participants will be working in smaller groups with other interns to create lesson plans and brainstorm ideas for when we teach in the physical classroom setting with real students. This internship is open to all as it offers a diverse and creative environment where I was fortunately able to work with others from places like; Latvia, Philippines, China, etc. Additionally, the ages of the interns ranged from 18-41, which surprisingly helps us to have an even greater connection with each other as we got to share different levels of ideas along with insightful feedback from those who may have more experience.

(More on next issue!)



ミクラのおすすめ J-Rock



「ハイファイ新書」 (2009)



As we nearly approach the end of the year, **Soutaiseiriron's Hi-Fi Shinsho** is an album that encapsulates and tackles the themes of the future in a playful manner. Soutaiseiriron is a Tokyo band known for their usage of blending rhythmic and catchy motifs for the instrumentals, while using that foundation to strengthen the vocals which is often described as wordplay on Japanese pop culture and ideas. Each song on the album has its own themes, examples focusing on ghosts, future love, office night work, and other various ideas that are blended into a fun, encapsulating catchy album. Soutaiseiriron's Hi-Fi Shinsho is arguably the band's strongest, yet most underrated album as it demonstrates the band's strongest features which has been praised through their newer albums released in previous years. For any listener of Japanese pop-rock music, new or experienced, Hi-Fi Shinsho is a great album for anyone who is looking to peer their head into Japanese pop-culture music.

好きな曲: さわやか会社員 (Favorite Track: Sawayaka Kaishain)

(Written by エイドリアンミクラ) 今、ビンガムトン大学に住(す)んでいます。私は2年生です。私のせんこうは生物学(せいぶつがく)です。好きな日本の料理(りょうり)はトンカツです。よろしくお願いします。

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TRAVEL JAPAN WITH TORAL-SAN



Toral san, who took JPN 102 this fall, will be visiting Japan this winter! In our next issue, he'll share his travel experiences. We hope you'll feel like you're traveling along with him as you read his article—completely free!

はじめましてみなさん! 私の名前はトラルカイルです! 会計学(かいけいがく)を
せんこうする三年生です。ひまな時、ゲームをするのとアニメを見るのが好きです。

In 2018, I went on a month-long backpacking trip with my brother, traveling around Japan for his college graduation gift. My favorite places that me and brother visited were Dotonbori, Nara, Suginoi Resort, Fushimi Inari Shrine, Akihabara, Shinjuku, and Shibuya. Also, my favorite foods that I ate were Ramen, Sushi, Okonomiyaki, Takoyaki, and Mochi. Me and my brother also went to concerts as well which was pretty awesome. Written by **トラル・カイル**

Let me talk about my favorite singer

by Ayaka Mori



Mori-san, an international student from Waseda University, will introduce her favorite Japanese singers! If you would like to know more about Japanese music, find her and talk to her in person!

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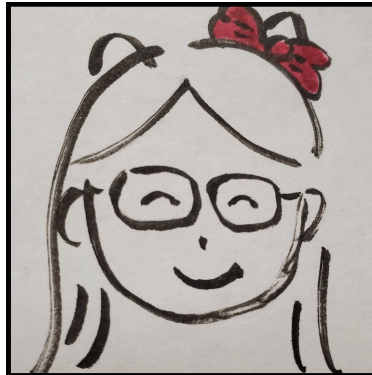
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