## 國立東華大學 National Dong Hwa University 姐妹校國際交換交流學生心得報告 International Inbound Exchange Student Report

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"I always believe that all human have challenge and this is the new challenge of my life to study abroad. Hello National Dong Hwa University"

I am a senior student majoring of Information and Communication Technology, faculty of Science at Prince of Songkla University from Thailand who love to travel, love to eat, and love to find new experience for my life. I think I am the lucky one that received a scholarship from National Dong Hwa University for 2018 exchange program in department of Computer Science and Information Engineering (International Bachelor Program). Chance is coming to me.

I went to Taiwan on September 1 in the morning. That day is my birthday. I am so excited because I will start 23 year old with the first time in Taiwan. First thing that I saw in Taiwan is convenient transportation. I can going to Taipei from Taoyuan International airport by MRT with the acceptable fares. So I have time to travelling in Taipei for 4 days. Ximending is the first place for me. I have been watched review about Taiwan food and drink. I am a bubble tea lover that why I am so happy because Taiwan is land of bubble tea. At Ximending, I found my favorite brand of bubble tea. That brand is "Tiger sugar" and my favorite menu is "Tiger sugar bubble milk". This brand have many branches and I think if I near it, I can drink it like drinking water. That time I ordered it with my body language because I don't know Chinese anymore and menu is only Chinese. Therefore, I promise with myself that next time I can order my favorite menu in Chinese and I can speak it.

Time to go again. On September 4, I went to Hualien County by Puyuma train from Taipei main station. Sideways between Taipei and Hualien so beautiful. I really like it. When I arrived at Hualien, volunteers was waiting me and my friends at train station for took us to the university. Before I came to National Dong Hwa University, I have been searched about this university in google. From the pictures, I saw many trees, large area, beautiful building and lake. The first appearance that the bus took me to university is Wow! So larger than I think and full of green color from trees and mountains. After bus took me to my dorm. I have registered and filled form. My volunteers helped me to buy mattress, pillow and necessary items like shampoo, liquid soap, toothpaste, and liquid detergent at shopping mall near university.

First day in semester 1 of 2018 I had Fundamental Chinese class but I waiting for wrong study room. It is my first joke story in National Dong Hwa University. This semester I enrolled three courses including Fundamental Chinese, Digital Logic Design and Electronic circuit. Chinese is language that I want to learn because I think it is important language in the world. I have been learned Japanese and Korean so If I know basic of Chinese I can use it for working and upgrade skill of communication in the future with 5 languages are Japanese, Korean, Chinese, English and Thai that is my native language. In additional Digital Logic Design and Electronic circuit are interesting because I never have been learned. I think it so difficult because I have to get about logic but I attempt to do the best.

The new activity in university that I have been joined is dancing with traditional song from Taiwanese aborigines. That night running out of my energy but very fun and riding bicycle is my new sport because I have to ride it every day. It make my legs so stronger. I really like it.

Daily life between Thailand and Taiwan I think it is not much difference except weather and food. About weather, Thailand is hot and raining along the year but in Taiwan if in summer season it feel hot like Thailand but if in winter season, it so cold and often raining. I can said that Earthquake is the signature of Taiwan. I often feel it but I don't like it. I am so scary and I'll never forget when I come back to Thailand.

About food, when I'm lazy or don't know what I want to eat I will get food from university's canteen or family mart because that places are near my dorm but many times I'm going to Zhixue street because two sides of that way are full of restaurants with Thai Food, Taiwan Food, Vietnam Food, etc. My favorite dish is Fried Rice with Beef and I really like Taiwan Hotpot. It so cheap but have many things like beef and vegetables. That hotpot restaurant have many flavor of ice creams. I often go there with my friends. If I have to compare food, I think Thai food is very spicy but some dish of Taiwan food is salty or oily but not big problem for me because two types of food are similar. In addition, Taiwan food have many vegetables. If I order rice with fried chicken, I will get three vegetables in my dish. So I think Taiwanese are so healthy. One thing that I have to recommend is noodle with pig's intestine. It very delicious. If I come back to Thailand I think I will miss it a lot. This is the Taiwan traditional food that I fall in love.

The thing that impress me is Taiwan's musical garbage truck. Taiwan is known as Garbage Island and full of ecosystem. One thing that I learned from Taiwan is I have to separate waste collection and recycling before take it to garbage. There are also several policies about it. I think this is a good thing that I want it happen in my country.

Taiwan have many beautiful places to travel. In Hualien I went to Taroko National Park. The Taroko is composed mainly of metamorphic rocks, such as marble. The name, Taroko, means the "magnificent and splendid" in the language of Truku, the aboriginal tribe that resides in the area. This place is so large and beautiful. In Taroko have trails for walking with fresh environment. Actually, I have try Taiwan traditional sausage and mochi. For me the sausage is little bit sweet but also delicious

and mochi is similar marshmallow. Next place is Liyu Lake. This is a clam and beautiful lake. It is a good place to take a relaxing stroll and take in the views. Paddleboats are available for rental for those interested. Next place is Qixingtan Beach. The beach is facing the Pacific Ocean and famous for its beautiful natural landscape. This beach is not a swimming beach. It is not safe to wade at the water's edge as there is a very quick and deep drop, and strong tow currents. But not the problem because it is so beautiful. The entire beach is covered with flat stones of varying sizes, colors from white, grey to black and patterns from dots, lines and marbling. It's next to the Air Force base so I can see the fighter jets into the sky of the Pacific Ocean. Last place in Hualien I have been travel is Dongdamen Night Market. A great place to spend the night while in Hualien. There were many games available and a lot of good food as well. This night market was fun with many performers who showcase their talents.

The trip that make me feel Wow!! So Exited!!! is my Thai friends and I went travel by taxi start from university at the early morning. This trip is three day before midterm examination but not our problem. We went to Hehuanshan, the mountain is a popular destination for traveler. When I visited this point first, I had no clue how cold it would be until my hands started pain and my mount started shake. The view is so amazing. The experience is unforgettable as we were there high up in the mountain and climbed down spend time one hour and half. Finally, we went to Qingjing farm. This place is great for those who enjoy fresh air and like to play with lovely sheep. Last day for this trip we took a bus to Taichung and Taipei and back to Hualien by Puyuma train. It like we learned about Taiwan transportation a lot.

Time changes too fast. For five months since September until January that I stay in Taiwan. I am so appreciate because Taiwanese is very kind people and always smile. Taiwan students are so kindly and friendly for example are my roommates and my volunteers. They always helped me.

I think National Dong Hwa University is a good choice for every foreign student because this university have many things like Chinese culture, knowledge and new experience. Taiwan educational system has a very good reputation. I have strong believe that I will prove myself to be a better and have good experience from National Dong Hwa University.