International Student Voices





I'm a second-year doctoral degree student at the Kobe University Graduate School of Health Sciences. My research interest is elder abuse, and right now I'm concentrating on the study of the recognition of health professionals about elder abuse. Studying at Kobe University makes me feel very comfortable and I really enjoy the friendly atmosphere of this university. Here, not only can I learn a lot of significant knowledge, but I can also enjoy the Japanese culture myself. In the future, I would like to return to China and pursue an academic career in health sciences at a university.



Frank Adusah-Poku **Republic of Ghana**

Economics

Currently, I am a first year PhD student at the Graduate School of Economics. I am working on a nationwide household dataset to examine pertinent issues, including household energy poverty, household energy expenditure and household energy choices in Ghana. I chose Kobe University because the doctoral program offers systematic programmes providing students with the foundation to carry out individual research. Also, with an economics faculty whose members are also policy makers in reputable research institutions, it presents an opportunity to reconcile classroom work with what pertains in practice.



Letters/Humanities

Matthew Robert Day United Kingdom

I am very happy to be studying at Kobe University; the staff, student tutors and facilities available make it a great working and living environment. Although initially settling into Japan came with its difficulties, after only a few months it became easier to call Japan home. Finding things I love doing has made me really come to love my year abroad, whether it be joining the badminton club and playing football with friends at Kobe University, participating in local events and meeting people there, going to the gym with friends or travelling all over Japan.





Nurlina Binti Azmi Malaysia

Engineering

I'm currently a first-year graduate student studying chemical engineering in Kobe University. Studying in Kobe University has been challenging at times and yet a very memorable experience for me. At first, it was a struggle for me to adapt to the environment due to the language barrier, but I managed to overcome it through countless support from my friends and professors. I also got the chance to make close friends with not only Japanese students, but also students from other countries. Studying here has taught me many lessons that will be useful for me when I get back to my home country.