

My life in Taiwan

My name is Pamela, I am a Peruvian Master student and I am living in Taiwan for almost 5 months. I arrived in NTOU on September 2009 to study a Master for 2 years at the department of Food Science. For me, it was difficult to leave my country, my family, my friends, my boyfriend, all; it was like an adventure. Fortunately, my brother is also here so at the same time I was sure that all would be ok, here, in the university I found all that I need to communicate to my country, like internet access, telephone in the room. The biggest problem for me was the language barrier. I could not speak Chinese or Taiwanese, people from the campus hardly speak English (most of them are really shy) and outside the campus few people speak English at that time my English is not too good, but I am lucky because exists the Division of International Affairs (DOIA) and they always help me as best they can and finally they achieve to makes me fell in house.



Welcome dinner party on September 2009

After this short period in Taiwan, I fell better each day, and I think that this is a great opportunity to start make true my dream, to get the Master degree, time to know as much as possible another culture, and it is time to enjoy every moment here, this is the first time that I am alone and I've always wanted to be a Master but know, after 5 months here I think that the best achievement is not to get the Master Degree, is to learn to live alone, without Mum or Dad, or anybody who tell you that all will ok, it is to learn to save problems which present sometimes by myself.



I am study in the lab Microbiology; they are my lab mates, very nice people, this picture is in the birthday of one of them.



BBQ in NTOU with all international students.



I met people from Panama, Nicaragua, Haiti, Vietnam, funny day!

Taiwan has very nice places to visit, I went to visit Kaoshiung where my brother lives.



My brother and I in Kaoshiung, Taiwanese people are very pleasure to introduce us places to visit.



In Kaohsiung

I live inside the campus and my building is in front of the swimming pool, I usually go there to relax because I love swimming, I am too close to finished my first semester as Ms. Student, I fell the time is going so fast, finally I just can say that I will enjoy the rest of the time that I will be here and I will do my best, this is “my life in Taiwan” .



Every day I spend the most of my time in the lab reading about my topic and learning some experiments with the help of my lab mates to start my own experiment next semester.

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