



Support Association for International Students of the University of Aizu (SAISUA) AY 2018 Activity Report

SAISUA provided scholarships and subsidies for National Health Insurance premiums to international students with financial difficulties. Further, we implemented campus activities and exchange activities at local elementary schools to ease the integration of international students in their academic and community environments.

1. Scholarships Project

1.1 Scholarships

Date: June 26, 2018, October 4, November 20, March 22, 2019

Six students

Scholarships: 30,000 JPY x 6 months x 3 students x 2 times = 1,080,000 JPY

Nationalities: 2 Chinese, 1 Nepali, 1 French, 1 Vietnamese, and 1 USA

The students awarded with SAISUA scholarships are required to join some of the following activities:

- Introducing their countries at elementary schools
- Providing campus tours to visitors
- Introducing international activities at the school festival
- Volunteering in activities organized by OSIP or SAISUA.



2. Daily Life Support Project

2.1 NHI premium

Date: February 26, 2019 Tuesday

Life support: 6,500 JPY x 23 students = 149,500 JPY

Nationalities: 20 Chinese, 2 Vietnamese, 1 Nigerian (Total 23)

SAISUA subsidized the additional Health Insurance Premium

3. Welcome Hour

3.1 Welcome Party

Date: May 31 and October 31, 2018

Location: "Keyaki" room, UoA Student Hall 2nd floor

Participants: 89 in Spring, 106 in Autumn

Donation from the Participants: 53,602 JPY

Welcome Parties were held in collaboration with the Center for Globalization to welcome new international students, staff, and faculty members. Including President Oka, Vice-president Tei, and SAISUA President Villegas, many guests joined the first party and enjoyed friendly exchanges with each other.

Many participants joined the second party including international and Japanese students, faculty and staff members who were interested in international exchanges.



4. Intercultural Exchange Programs

4.1 UoA College Festival "Soshosai"

Date: October 6-7, 2018

Location: UoA campus

Customer: 250

Prof. & Students staff: 20

Sales of Tortilla: 121,500 JPY Profits: 106,738 JPY

Sales of SAISUA t-shirts: 95,000 JPY

Donation: 17,803 JPY (Total for 2 days)

SAISUA served "Spanish tortilla" in AY 2018 Soshosai. International students, faculty and staff members of the UoA thoroughly cooperated cooking, transporting, serving and also cleaning after the event. Lots of people visited SAISUA booth these two days, and Spanish tortillas were sold out. We broke our School Festival sales record of AY 2017.



4.2 French Lessons

Date: November - January Every Wednesday 18:30-19:30. (10 lessons)

Venue: Lecture room S2

Participants: about 5 students

Teacher: Mr. Denis Walle Loick Cedrick

Donation received: 6,576 JPY

French Lessons were donation-based activity sponsored by SAISUA. French students volunteered for teaching.



4.3 International Talks

Date: August 1 and December 19, 2018

Location: Global Lounge of Research Quadrangles

Presenter: International students from Hong Kong, Vietnam, Germany

Participants: about 40 students & Professor (Japan, China, Vietnam, Burundi etc.)

International Talks were held in collaboration with the Center for Globalization.

International students from Vietnam, Hong Kong and Germany were invited as speakers and they introduced some of their culture, history, nature, food, lifestyle, and traditions. International Talks are important activities for UoA students, broadening their understanding of international knowledge and global/local dynamics.



4.4 Elementary School Visit

Date: February 15, 2019

Location: Ikki Elementary School (3rd Grade Students)

Presenter: International students from Germany and China (Hong Kong and Qingdao)

This program was sponsored by Office for Strategy of International Program (OSIP). Three International Students visited Ikki elementary school in Aizuwakamatsu city, and exchanged with 119 3rd grade students. Students were divided into two groups and International students introduced about their home country. They also played a traditional game of their home countries together and the students asked international students a lot of questions. It was a very good opportunity to interact with the community and deepen their international understanding.



5. Increasing donor Project

5.1 Labo Party Visit

Date: September 6, 2018

Location: Kakujo Community Center

Presenter: International students from France and Nepal

Donation received: 20,855 JPY

Three International students invited to the Mini International Talk by "Labo Party" Aizu branch. 25 children and 17 staff attended, and the students talked about their home country. After that, they played a tag using Spanish traditional songs and had a fun time. "Labo Party" Aizu branch donated to SAISUA.

