Winter Holiday Party

On December 19, Office of International Education held a Winter Holiday Potluck Party opened for all students. The objective for the party was for celebrate the holiday season with students and for the International students to learn more about the American Holidays. Since it was a potluck party, students brought their own favorite dish to share with their fellow students, some of the food were traditional dishes from their own countries.

How do you celebrate Christmas in your country?

Taiwanese don’t celebrate Christmas. Only the stores or public places are decorated to make people go out and shop. There are no holidays during Christmas but people give presents to each other or have parties.

-Yu-chia (Taiwan)

Many Japanese buy KFC chickens instead of turkey, and they eat Japanese Christmas cake. Many shops have special sales on Christmas day. I usually decorated the Christmas tree and watched special TV programs with my family.

-Kayoko (Japan)

January Birthday

Jemima (Nigeria) Solmi (Korea) Yongjun (Korea) Varun (India)
Yenkuan (Taiwan) Quy Ngoc (Vietnam) Tai (Addy—Vietnam) Yuanye (China)

Important Dates

Jan 30 Last day to apply for Winter quarter graduation
Feb 16 President’s Day Holiday
Mar 2 Registration begins for continuing and former students for spring quarter
Mar 2 Last day to register for a Continuous Enrollment class
Mar 11 Last day to change a variable-credit class
Mar 12 New students spring quarter registration begins

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During the last week of December 2014, the Office of International Education had the orientation for new students for Winter quarter. The orientation took place during the last week of 2014, from December 30th, 2014 until January 2nd, 2015.

For Winter quarter, we welcomed 19 students from 10 different countries, Vietnam, Korea, China, Japan, Sweden, Australia, Nigeria, Taiwan, Germany, and Ghana. Some of the students will be staying with the host families and some will be staying at the Residence Hall.

As usual, we ended the new student orientation week with a fun field trip to Seattle on Friday, January 2. We gave students scavenger hunt in Seattle. Since it was a big success from Fall quarter Seattle field trip, we continued to have students doing the scavenger hunt. New students and volunteers were grouped into 3 teams. Every team needed to complete the challenges by taking pictures with listed attractions with assigned posts, and also answer the questions about those