Student Report

Exchange Student

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There are 2 campuses, City campus and East campus at UNL. A full set of facilities are provided here. For example, the Campus Recreation Center, Library, Museums and galleries, Math Center, Health Center, Student Union etc.

The weather here is extreme. When it's hot, it's really hot but when it's cold, it's freezing cold. The coldest weather I have ever felt is -26 Degree Celsius.







Living

I lived and had classes on City campus. During the fall semester, I lived in Selleck Hall which is an international and traditional residence hall. Throughout the spring semester, I lived in The Courtyards which is apartment-style hall. I also had a 7-day meal plan that is excluded during breaks and some holidays. I love the dining halls here due to the taste, variety of food and buffet style.

Student employment

I got a job from UNL's University dining service to work at Abel dining hall. I worked there during the spring semester. My normal shift is about 12 hours per week. I thought it would be easy to work and study, but it wasn't. Through these experiences, I learned how to manage my time more efficiently. These skills will be beneficial for future goals of working for a company and keeping track with my schedule.

Study

I took 10 classes in total, 5 classes each semester. Most of them are in the College of Business (CoB). Only one elective class is in College of Journalism. The education system here is different from our Thai education System. I had to adjust and get used to it as quickly as possible when I first arrived here. The most distinct thing are the exams. They have so many exams for each class here. There are a total of 3 exams; 2 midterms and 1 final that are cumulative. Some class has 4 exams which depends on what class you take. Also, there are a lot of assignments for every class. It was a really tough week when both assignment and exams were assigned at the same time.





Places I usually studied for exam are the common study area, Student Union, CoB break out room and coffee shop.







Travel

There are 4 breaks during the two semesters. Fall break and Thanksgiving break are during the Fall semester. Winter break is a 3 week break in between Fall and Spring semester. The last break is Spring break. I travelled around the United States during these times. Also, during the school year and after the semester ended. In total I travelled to 12 states: California, Nevada, Arizona, New York, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Colorado, Missouri, South Dakota, Iowa, and around Nebraska.



















Friends

I met a lot of international friends from all around the world. I have learned about so many cultures and types of people. Thanks to NSE (New Student Enrollment) team who created so many activities for international students every week, it was much easier to find and get along with new friends. Representing Thai culture to American and international friends is an important part of being and exchange student. I cooked Thai food and got good feedback and impressions from my friends.







sports

Sports are so popular here. Football is the most famous one at UNL. Memorial stadium here can fit around 86,000 people. Because of this, if Memorial stadium was a city, it would be Nebraska's third largest city. The football season is in only Fall semester. I went to 2 football games. I bought a ticket for the first time. For the second time, I didn't expect to go, but as I took a class from College of Journalism, I had a chance to take a one-day tour on Spring Game day. That was a very fun experience I have never done in my life. GO BIG RED! Additionally, I had an opportunity to go and watch a real Basketball game, tennis game and Rodeo show.











I would like to thank you for this opportunity that created the most adventurous one year of my life. I also learned so many things and met a lot of people from the study abroad life. It was a real experience of a life time.