

Student Report

The past ten months were truly my golden time of life. This does not mean I had all comfortable and rosy studying abroad life but all of obstacles did really sharpen me to be more completed. I was going to University of California, Riverside for ten months studying business and finance there.



First few weeks were the hardest time since I had to adjust myself and break my comfort zone. Fortunately, registration was really convenient. They made sure to enroll and have enough space for exchange students to classes we need. I got assigned academic advisor to take care of me for every quarter. However, housing and transportation seemed to be the most frustrating things in my opinion. Riverside itself is quite not safe and there are so many crimes happening around campus. Campus housing is kind of hard to get in since it is always full and some buildings are reserved for only UCR students. At first, I was looking for homestay option instead and lived with host family for 3 months. It was good but the house is 50 minutes away from university by bus. With unreliable bus schedule and unsafe environment, I needed to change accommodation. This was when I realized that housing was really difficult to find.



For friends and university culture, I would say UCR has the best culture and people since they truly cherish difference and international. They are down to earth and also down to help one another. Though the city is called Inland Empire being stuck in desert, people at UCR make desert more livable.



I also had a chance to work as an education abroad ambassador promoting and encouraging UC students to study abroad. At work, I had learned to work with diverse people under international environment. More importantly, I am really proud to be representative of Thai people and Thammasat University working with Education Abroad office of UC riverside.



Overall, I feel so thankful for everyone and everything that are part of my journey. Thank you TU International office for working so hard to support TU students! Without you

all, TU students would not be able to grow exponentially and have opportunities to study abroad in globally famous universities out there.