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Final Presentation

The university I intend to study abroad at is Nagoya University of Foreign Studies.

Fall 2018 Classes	Spring 2019 Classes
Core Class Grammar III Kanji Class III	Core Class Grammar III Kanji Class III
Composition Reading	Composition Reading
Contemporary Japan – World Economic Relations	Washoku – Japanese Food Culture
	Japanese Literature
Relations	Japanese Literature

I chose NUFS due to the viable financial aid options they offer to prospective students studying abroad.

Short Term Goals: Visit Okinawa for its aquarium Attend many festivals Visit onsen/sentou Visit as many shrines as possible

Long Term Goals: Improve my listening comprehension Create many friendships that will outlast my stay in Japan Links:

Lescant Photos

Weebly Blog



A few of my favorites!





Learning Strategies

In order to improve my Japanese proficiency I will use Cultural #42 and Language #14 and #15.

#42 - Join clubs or organizations to meet people who have interests like mine
~I am not very interested in joining organizations or clubs, even here on campus! I will change this while in Japan.

#14 - Pay attention to when and how long people tend to pause
#15 - Pay attention to the rise and fall of speech by native speakers-the "music" of it ~These are very specific strategies that I never considered before! I will use them during my time in Nagoya.

To Do Before Departure!

~save up extra money ~purchase a bigger suitcase ~change my phone plan ~collect enough of my medication to last ~not to stress! Everything will be OK!