

AMEIJING TIMES

MONE

Mone Kamisiraishi is a famous Japanese actor and a Meiji University student. Her most representative work is the movie "Kimino-naha". She acted as the heroine in the movie, so it made her very popular. Therefore, an interview with her was a really great opportunity. Don't miss reading below exclusive article.

WHY MEIJI?

I wanted to enter a university absolutely from the beginning. When I was searching for my first choice of university, I had two terms to satisfy. First, I wanted to study English hard. Second, I wanted to enter a university that has Spanish classes. The reason why is

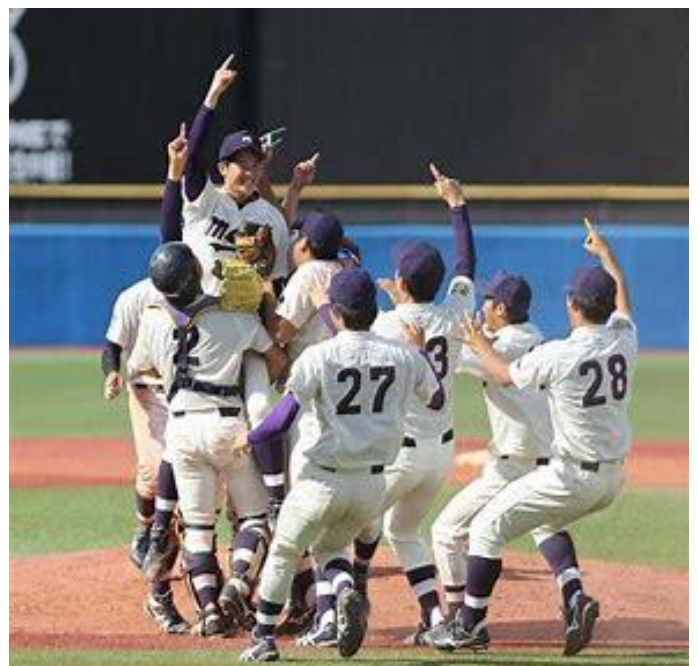


that I lived in Mexico during my childhood. While searching about universities I found that The Global Japanese Studies of Meiji University suited my demands

Also, I was attracted by the variety of classes. I thought I could learn as a person, and also learn about cultures, which are connected to work. That's why I made a decision to enter Meiji University. It is hard to combine studies with business, but I'm helped by my friends and my teachers a lot. I definitely want to graduate.

THE CHAMPIONS

Did you know that Meiji baseball club won the spring league of Tokyo Big6 Baseball League? However, why does a mere league get such interest from so many people? The league has over 100 years of history and tradition. At present, there are five colleges with Meiji in that league. The level of baseball in Tokyo Big6 is really high and so many great players for example, Yuki Saito, in Fighters and Norichika Aoki, in Swallows enter this league from all over Japan. It is wonderful to win this league.



CULTURE

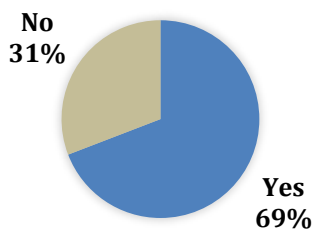
TAPIOCA AROUND MEIJI UNIVERSITY

TAPIOCA

Do you know tapioca? Tapioca is a new fad in Japan, especially among young people. Culture desk distributed a questionnaire to students taking the summer training course about whether they like tapioca. The results of the questionnaire are shown below.

First of all, the source of tapioca is cassava and it is the extracted and processed starch from cassava. That is the tapioca that everybody knows very much. Tapioca tea, which is often drunk in Japan, is thought to have come from Taiwan.

THE GRAPH OF WHETHER YOU'VE DRUNK TAPIOCA



OWL TEA



There are three tapioca shops near MEIDAIMAE station. The most popular one is "OWL TEA". OWL TEA is famous with students in Meiji University. The shop's name comes from the Japanese word for owl "fukurou". "Fuku" means fortune or happiness. The shop aims that 'owl' means 'happiness leaks'.

A characteristic of this shop is raw tapioca. That clerks remake tapioca every three hours, so they can provide the best quality tapioca all the time. "Zanzan muscovado tapioca drink" is recommended by this shop.

"Zanzan" means dirty in Chinese, but it doesn't mean dirty here. It is a metaphor of the pattern of the drink in the cup which is marbled. Zanzan drink is the first drink of texture that mixes rich milk and fresh cream.

OWL'S MENU AND PRICE

	M size	L size
Brown sugar milk	¥480	¥580
Chocolate milk	¥480	¥580
Caramel milk	¥480	¥580
Blueberry milk	¥480	¥580
Roasted green milk tea	¥430	¥530
Matcha milk tea	¥430	¥530
Bliss	-	¥750

TOP TAPIOCA

We tried two tapioca drinks of OWL TEA.

① Zanzan muscovado tapioca drink (most popular drink)

That taste is very sweet, but we felt the flavor of muscovado. The chemistry of sweet cream and muscovado is good.

② Assam milk tea tapioca drink

That taste is light, so it is recommended to people who are bad at sweet things.



TAPIOCA: OTHER CAMPUSES

Tapioca shops near other campuses of Meiji University

Nakano campus: Toki seven tea

Surugadai campus: Chakasho

Ikuta campus: Kohaku

ENTERTAINMENT

MAGICAL MAGNIFICENT MOVIE 'ALADDIN'

WHAT ABOUT ALADDIN?

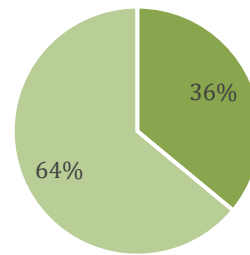
The animated version of "Aladdin" was made by "The Walt Disney Company" in 1992. After about 30 years, the movie was recreated as a live-action version. This movie is loved by many people. Let's introduce this movie's story. Aladdin is the poor boy who falls in love with Jasmine, who is a princess. However, he gives up on her because he is poor. Then, Genie shows up. Surprisingly, he can use magic! By using Genie's magic, Aladdin can get married with Jasmine. After that, they live happily together.



STUDENTS REVIEW

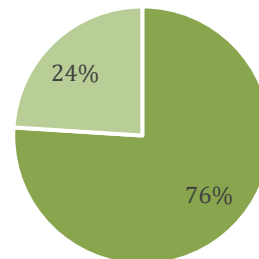
"Aladdin" is the hit movie with box-office revenues exceeding 10 billion yen. We wonder what Meiji University students think about 'Aladdin', so we did a survey. The percentage of people who have watched 'Aladdin' is only 36%. (Q1) According to this result, we think that Meiji University students do not know very much about the movie. However, 76% of not having watched this movie answered 'I'm interested in this movie'. (Q2) This shows that many Meiji University students will probably watch this movie soon. Therefore we can say that 'Aladdin' is a hit movie in Meiji University.

Q1 Have you watched Aladdin?



■ YES ■ NO

Q2 Are you interested in this movie?



■ YES ■ NO

AUDIENCE VOICE

We asked students what they thought about the movie. They said, "The songs and the story are wonderful." and "I like Jasmine's voice." In addition, we got to know that many students love the song 'Speechless'.

We also asked students about their favorite characters. Many students answered the main characters such as Aladdin, Genie and Jasmine. However, some answered minor characters such as Iago, Abu and the magic carpet. As a result, this question made it clear that every character is loved.



WETUBE

Also, if you want to see this year's and previous years Wetube videos, check out the like below:

[YouTube.com/meijistudents](https://www.youtube.com/meijistudents)

ENTERTAINMENT

BEST BRILLIANT BOOKS 2019

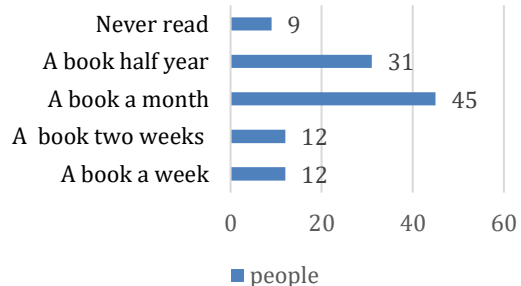
SUMMARIES

Let's introduce two books which were praised in 本屋大賞 2019, awarded by bookstores in Japan.

First, Maiko Seo wrote the book “そして、バトンは渡された”. This book is about a young girl called Yuko and her family. Yuko, who is 17 years old, has two mothers and three fathers, in other words, she grew up in a complicated family. However, she loves all of her family. Although they are not related by blood, their life is filled with love. If you read this novel, you might come to love someone who is close to you. This book should be a very heart-warming scene. Second, Fuminori Onodera wrote the book “ひと”. This book is about a boy, Kiyosuke, who lives in Tokyo. Kiyosuke loses both of his parents in succession and has to drop out of college. With little money, he tries to live on his own in Tokyo. Helped by the people around him, he grows into a man.



How often do you read?



	BOOK RANKING (本屋大賞 2019)
NO.1	『そして、バトンは渡された』(瀬尾まいこ)
NO.2	『ひと』(小野寺史宜)
NO.3	『ベルリンは晴れているか』(深緑野分)
NO.4	『熱帯』(森見登美彦)
NO.5	『ある男』(平野啓一郎)



STUDENTS SURVEY

We surveyed about 110 Meiji University students about whether they know the 5 books that got The Bookstore Grand Prize and if they have read them. However, surprisingly many students don't know these books. Only 8 people know about the book that got grand prize. Also, we found what kinds of books they read. Many students read mystery, love story and history books.

We also figured out that almost half of the students read one book a month. Nowadays, almost everyone has a smartphone, so they can get a lot of information from them and enjoy talking with their companions and playing games, though many students still read books. Smartphones are so useful, but we have to continue to read books to get knowledge and fun of them!!!

ONLINE NEWSPAPER

To read this year's M.E. News, and newspapers from previous years, check out the link below.

<http://www.iimelwood.net/students/meiji/SIES/newspaper/newspaper.html>

START TO STUDY ABROAD

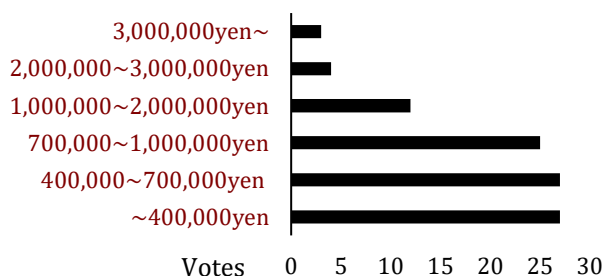
Meiji University students in this program were asked some questions about studying abroad.

WHERE TO GO!?

	Country	Votes
No.1	America	39
No.2	British	19
No.3	Canada	17

The most popular country is America. Many people assume that other countries, such as Australia, New Zealand and Canada, are safer than America. Jim, who is the Assistant Director of International Students Office, said, "America is said to be dangerous because of guns but it is just American society. Don't forget that not everyone has guns, indiscriminate shootings don't happen every day. America is really quite safe." Jim also recommends a lot of study abroad programs. Temple University is very useful for students because it has interesting double degree options.

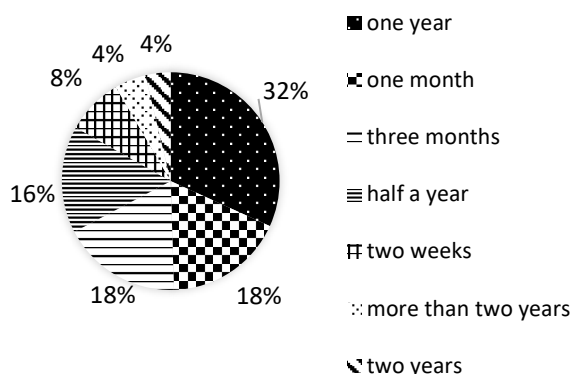
HOW MUCH!?



Some people can't go abroad due to the high cost though they aspire to study abroad. It is possible to study abroad on under ¥400,000 programs. If you would like to cut the costs, Southeast Asia such as Vietnam, Thailand, Philippines are highly recommended. International Education Center holds these attractive programs regardless of faculty. Another way to cut the cost is going to a public school, rather than a private school. On the other hand, there are many students who can spend from ¥400,000 to ¥1,000,000.

Meiji University is allied with famous foreign universities such as Stanford University, University of Cambridge. They must give a brilliant experience to study abroad, and the International Education Center holds summer session. It costs about ¥1,000,000.

HOW LONG!?



Meiji University students like one-year programs best. However Jim recommends shorter programs because it is not expensive and easier to plan. When you study abroad for a short time, Stamford University and University of California, Berkeley are recommended.

Jim is concerned with Meiji University Study Abroad Programs. He recommends going to some countries like Finland. Meiji University is planning to make a new program to Finland. If the program is decided, you can go to the University of Vaasa. The University of Vaasa is smaller than Meiji University, but it is a very good university. The whole campus is near the waterfront and surrounded by parks. It is sometimes called the most beautiful campus in Finland.

Jim said, "By studying abroad we can get great experiences, knowledge of culture, confidence and improve our English skills.

Think about it!



James Elwood

TRAVEL

SIGHT-SEEING IN SUMMER

Meiji University students in this program were asked some questions about sight-seeing.

	Prefecture	Votes
No.1	Shizuoka	10
No.2	Yamanashi	7
No.3	Chiba	6
No.3	Hiroshima	6

PURPOSES

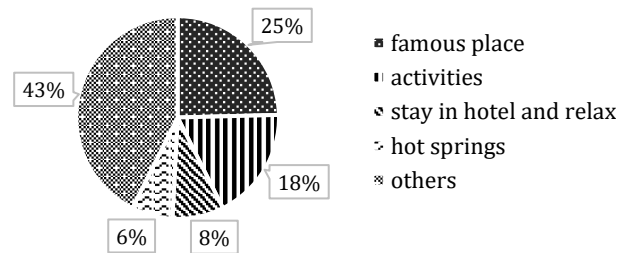
This graph shows they enjoyed summer vacation in different ways. Some went to famous spots such as national parks, lakes and Japanese historical buildings. Some did activities such as trampoline, BBQ and hiking. On the other hand, they could enjoy their time in the hotel without going to some special places because there are a lot of relaxing hot springs in Japan.



DESTINATION

This table shows the places that Meiji University students have been to during this summer vacation. Shizuoka prefecture gains the most votes. Shizuoka is famous for Mt. Fuji. Shizuoka suits Meiji University students, because the place is not so far, and students can visit there easily, and enjoy activities like BBQ. Yamanashi produces a rich harvest like peaches, grapes, cherries. Meiji university students probably enjoy picking those fruits with their friends or family.

What was the purpose of going there?



Here is some extra information about the answer 'others'.

- * To return home, meet family or friends
 - To visit grandparents
- * To see friends in other prefectures
- * To do field study
 - To do seminar activity
 - To go to an internship
 - To get a driving license
- * To do club activity
- * To travel with friends
- * To go to an amusement park (For example, Tokyo Disney Resort, Universal Studios Japan, and so on.)
- * To eat or drink something
 - To have a BBQ
- * To go to a festival

As a result of survey, some students went somewhere not to go sightseeing. Especially, many students went somewhere to return home and meet someone.

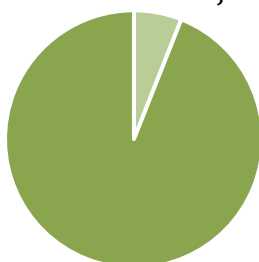
SPORT

LACROSSE

NEW FASHION LACROSSE

Lacrosse is called “the fastest fighting ball game on the ground”. Also, lacrosse has become a very fashionable sport. The Meiji women’s lacrosse team is a great team. They will go to next stage of the Kantou University Lacrosse Tournament, the semi-finals. In an interview the wonderful captain told us about the team’s passion for lacrosse and games.

Q. Have you ever seen a game of the women’s lacrosse in Meiji University



■ YES ■ NO

TO BE A HEROINE

During the Kantou University Lacrosse Tournament, what eagerness did you have?

We decided to advance to the semi-finals, “the Final Four”. But we have to play one more game. We must win the game, otherwise we can’t get to “the Final Four”.

What do you want us to pay attention in your team?

First lacrosse!! I think lacrosse is not famous. There are no supporters, which is a very serious problem for us, lacrosse, and more aside. Please come to the game, “the Final Four”!! Second, for our team, our attack is awesome and also our goalie is wonderful too. So if you watch our games, you don’t miss that position!!

How many people are in the club?

We have 123 members but only 5 people have played lacrosse since they were high school students. The other university teams have many experienced players but our team can’t rely on them. One for all, all for one. We always think about “What will we do to win?”

What is your team’s philosophy?

Best preparation for best results. That’s all!

ABOUT LACROSSE

RULES

- 12 vs 12 players (similar to soccer).
- 15 min × 4 quarters (similar to basketball).
- Use a lacrosse stick (similar to hockey).



POSITION

- Attacker / point getter
- Midfielder / playmaker
- Defender / prevent offensive team
- Goalie / goal keeper



MEIJI women's LACROSSE

8.11 sun

15:10

vs 成蹊大学

富士通スタジアム川崎

8.16 fri

12:50

vs 法政大学

駒沢オリンピック公園
総合運動場第一球技場

8.31 sat

12:20

vs 慶應義塾大学

駒沢オリンピック公園
総合運動場第二球技場

9.8 sun

16:30

vs 東洋大学

千葉大学 西千葉キャンパス
サッカー・ラグビー場

9.16 mon

13:10

vs 学習院大学

フクダ電子フィールドB 面

Don't miss Meiji Women's Lacrosse Team!
Let's cheer our Heroines!!

THE CHAMPIONS

STAR PLAYER

Masato Morishita is a member of the Meiji team who plays as the captain and ace pitcher. He made big contributions to the spring league and National competition. He is the best player in Japanese university and so many people pay attention to him. He is 180cm tall and can throw a 154km/h fastball. His change balls are also good, so he can perfectly hold down the hitter. He will surely become a great professional baseball player someday.

AUTUMN LEAGUE

Because Meiji baseball club won the spring league and national convention, they are in a position to take challenges. But if they can cooperate and fight together as when they were fighting in the spring league, they will win the autumn league. There is also a Draft

meeting in October. How many players in Meiji baseball club will be nominated?

You cannot take our eyes away from Meiji Baseball Club from now.



Autumn league First Game

9/16 Sat 11:00 vs the University of Tokyo.
In Meiji Jingu Stadium

Let's cheer on the baseball club to win!!

MONE



WORK AND STUDIES

I bring my PC to my workplace and studying during my spare time or moving to work locations. I can study comfortably because studying something is enjoyable, and because I had confidence that I was able to be admitted to Meiji University

I am never satisfied with my expression. I always repeat reflections and anxieties. However, when somebody could get energy by watching my work, I feel I have to work harder for them. Even if I get desperate, the feeling of "love" for my job leads to my willingness. The love of music, movies, and acting is my motivation.

THE FUTURE

I don't know how long I can continue my job, so I want to be a respected person as an actor. That's why I intend to absorb many things by various roles. I want to be able to be active wherever and whenever. Now there are many people who can do anything, so it is important to think about what I can do, and to pursue it.

A MESSAGE

I have though "I'm glad I can speak English" many times. If you can speak English, you'll be able to do a lot of things. Devoting yourself to something is very valuable. I think, the more we learn, the more we can speak English. Absolutely, you won't regret if you are a good at English. Let's study English hard together!

REMEMBER

Mone is keeping it a secret that she is a Meiji student so please don't tell others.

IT'S OUR SECRET