

Research Activity Report
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1. Country/location of visit
Japan, Niigata prefecture, Myokokogen
2. Research project
Sasagamine Field Science Course
3. Date (departing from/returning to Japan)
2017. 07. 18 – 2017. 07. 21 (4 days)
4. Main host researcher and affiliation
Dr. Sugiyama, Associate Professor at Shizuoka University, Sasagamine Hutte, Kyoto University
5. Progress and results of your research/activity (You can attach extra pages if needed)
Please insert one or more pictures (to be publicly released). Below each picture, please provide a brief description.
I joined Sasagamine Field Science Course which was held from July 18 th to 21 st 2017.
Schedule 7/18 AM: Arrival at Sasagamine Hutte PM: Guidance of the course, Short excursion 7/19 AM: Excursion to Karasawa PM: Excursion to Tokusa, lecture on rope work 7/20 Climbing up Mt. Hiuchi 7/21 AM: Lecture on rope work and bivouac instruction, Departure to Inuyama
The first day We arrived at Sasagamine Hutte in the afternoon. Professor Sugiyama introduced this course. And We walked around our hutte. I observed many kind of trees, flowers and insects.
The second day We take an excursion to Karasawa and Tokusa. Teachers taught us about the best way to climbing a steep rocky stretch. In the afternoon, we had lecture on rope work. We made swing and hammock near hutte.
The third day We waked up at 4 am and started climbing up Mt. Hiuchi.at 5 am. We reached the top around noon. It was the first time for me to climb mountain for over 10 hours. So I was anxious about this course. But in fact, I really enjoyed climbing and viewing the beautiful mountain landscape.
The last day In the morning, we had lecture on rope work and bivouac instruction. We learned how to use ropes and ZELT. I was surprised because ZELT had various uses, for example, tent, stretcher and shelter. And late morning, we cleaned up Hutte and left to Inuyama.

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The beautiful mountain landscape of Mt. Hiuchi



The snow still lay on the mountain road.



We made paella for dinner.



Bivouac instruction with the use of ZELT

6. Others

I would like to express my gratitude to Prof. Matsuzawa, Prof. Koshima, Prof. Sugiyama and Asst. prof. Takizawa and Primatology and Wildlife Science for supporting this course.