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1. Country/location of visit

Japan Monkey Centre, Japan

2. Research project

Zoo Museum Course

3. Date (departing from/returning to Japan)

2016. 06. 25-2016.06.28 (4days)

4. Main host researcher and affiliation

Japan Monkey Centre

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.

SCHEDULE

25th PM: Lecture given by the director, tour

26th AM: Tour, research on visitors

26th PM: Lecture "Sunday monkey salon", scientific communication training

27th AM: Observe veterinary work

27th PM: Lecture about "Exhibition", specimen training

28th AM: Care taking training

28th PM: Basic primatology course

PICK UP

◆Research on visitors and science communication training

Research on visitor was interesting. I observed the visitors who came to see capuchin monkeys and coded how long they stayed and what they talked. 25 groups came and they stayed about 28 seconds on average. It was longer than I expected. 3 capuchin lost their arms and some people mentioned about it, but most conversation was about appearance (e.g. "looks like juvenile delinquent") or the number of individuals (e.g. "so many!"), which they can see just at first look. Therefore I tried to tell their specific behavior, intelligence in science communication training in the afternoon, but it was difficult. I want to communicate better at the next time.

◆Care taking training

My assigned animals were lemur in Wao –land, Wao-land mini and Madagascar building. We did cleaning and feeding there. The faces of Ring-tailed lemur were difficult to tell the individual difference. However, after the staff explained and observed a few minutes, I can tell the 6 individuals. I was satisfied with that.

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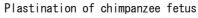
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This course gave me an insight about what Zoo is/should be. Now I want people to know about primates better. I'll continue to consider what we can for that.





Tour by Watanuki curator





Remove sutures in Ring-tailed lemur



Ring-tailed lemur under anesthesia



Care taking training in Ring-tailed lemur

6.Others

I would like to thank PWS program and those who have worked for this course.

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