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## My two-year experience in Hokudai

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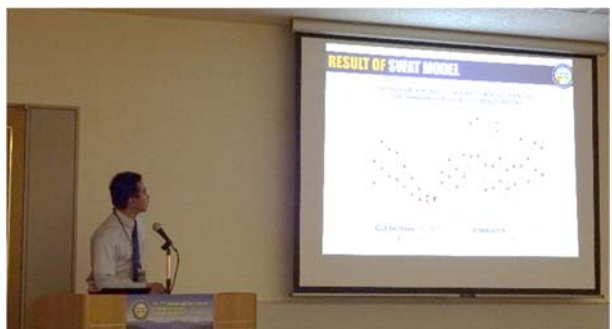
I achieved the Indonesian Government Scholarship in 2014, and joined the Fujii Sensei's Laboratory of Graduate School of Environmental Science, Hokkaido University and graduated in 2016. The opportunity to study and live alone in Japan at that time honestly was the first international experience of my life. My latest experience of going abroad before pursuing my MSc in 2014 was just a 3-day trip to Singapore, 10 years before! Nervous, confused, naturally haunted my mind. Arriving at Chitose Airport, at 3:00 PM that afternoon, I handled everything by myself, until I arrived at Sapporo Station. I almost went down in Shin-Sapporo so confused, luckily a Chinese-guy I met in the train showed me his google map and told me it was not Sapporo yet.

I spent two years in Japan until got the Master Degree. As a master-by-research student, **Boys be Ambitious** a good quote once you decided to join Fujii Lab. Just set what are your ideas, how you think you can do that, and what are your targets, so Fujii Sensei will try to support you. Such a good opportunity for me that I also engaged with an international research project of Water-Energy-Food Nexus in Asia Pacific Ring of Fire, a project led under Research Institute for Humanity and Nature (RIHN), Kyoto, where Fujii Sensei was also one of the research group Chairs. I had a lot of opportunities to join the meetings with international colleagues, conducting researches, delivering presentations in international seminars in Kyoto, Seoul, etc.

I also made a lot of friends, with Indonesian students in Hokkaido, also with international students. They are kind and warm in the coldness of Sapporo. At the first time to Sapporo, I was asked by Indonesian student association to manage the Indonesian Cultural Night. I was challenged and took the request, I succeed the event, both as main actor of the drama and also head of event. I passed at least 2 times of fasting month and led Mubarak, the annual Islamic day after 30-days Ramadhan fasting. in Sapporo, I met many Moslem Friends from all around the world. The campus location is also near to the mosque.

Autumn is the most favorite season when I was in Sapporo, but the autumn is just a very short time. Many places to go to take photos, I really like Makomanai Park. I took many photos there with friends. I went to Takinoue, stayed in an old school. I

also went to Yubari, a typical city in suburbs of Japan that lost the population. Nice to have the experience, not only studying, but also present in professional research' environment during conferences, and of course have fun out of working time.



## 頭と体をつかった学究への道

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修士課程・博士課程・博士研究員として地球環境科学研究科に在籍していた併せて6年3カ月の間、「なぜ非在来植物（カラマツ）が在来植物よりも多く分布するか？」という課題に取り組みました。ご指導いただいた露崎先生や同講座の教官陣・諸先輩方からは研究に関わる知識・技術から研究者・教育者としての心得まで本当に多岐にわたることを学ばせていただきました（特に露崎先生の影響は強く、自分が研究室を持った際の机の配置が先生の居室のそれを無意識に模倣していたことには自分でも驚きましたが）。また、多くの先輩・同輩が長期間フィールドに出ていたため当然のように感じていましたが、年によって100日以上を調査地（渡島駒ヶ岳）で過ごせたことは、研究室では得られない体験を通して多くのことを学ぶ上で本当に貴重だったと改めて思います。大学の教員になり、学生の柔軟な発想に刺激を受ける日々を送っていますが、野外活動を含め様々な意味での経験・体験が少ない学生が多いことが気にかかっています。近頃の大学生・大学院生は何かと忙しそうですが、いろいろな形で、頭だけでなく体を使って学ぶことの楽しさ・大切さを伝えていきたいと考えています。



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