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1. Country/location of visit

Myoko, Kagoshima, Japan

2. Research project

Sasagamine Field work

3. Date (departing from/returning to Japan)

2016. 08. 01-2016.08.04 (4days)

4. Main host researcher and affiliation

Professor Shigeru SUGIYAMA

5. Progress and results of your research/activity (You can attach extra pages if needed)

[Schedule]

August 1st: Arrival, walking around hutte

2nd: Trecking around Kosawa, training for reading map and rope work

3rd: Climbing Mt. Hiuchi

4th: Bivouac training, cleaning up

This Sasagamine field course aimed to obtain the survival skill required for field study.

I have already been to Sasagamine hutte 2 years ago and I have been looking forward to go there again.

Main event of this course is climbing up Mt Hiuchi. Mt Hiuchi is a mountain whose height is 2462m. Though many of other members of our party had lots of experience of climbing mountain, I have not climbed that kind of mountain so far so I worried about it. However, I completed climbing up the top of the mountain. I was satisfied with that. I learned many things like how to step the slippery rock or what kind of bark we can use to burn during climbing. Around top of the mountain I enjoyed beautiful scenery. On the top of mountain we saw the plume and heard the sound from Mt. Yakeyama, volcano which located the next with Mt. Hiuchi. It looked like erupt easily.

Other than during climbing up I learned many things. During trecking around Kosawa, I learned which kind of landmark I should use; it's better to look back and remember the landscape instead of just seeing ahead. During bivouac training, I was surprised at how many ways we can use a tent.

I also enjoyed cool weather and nice meal. Of course communication with members was really fun. In total. I am really satisfied with this course.

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"Tengu-no-niwa", which means goblin's



Around the top of the mountain



Rocky road



Chilly water



Camp fire



Bivouac training

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Cooking!

A butterfly



A butterfly

6.Others

I would like to thank PWS program for their support for this trip.

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