

(For JSPS Fellow)

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**Activity Report -Science Dialogue Program-**  
(サイエンス・ダイアログ事業 実施報告書)

- Fellow's name (講師氏名): John D. Phan (ID No. P 12305 )

- Participating school (学校名): 佐賀県立致遠館高第学校

- Date (実施日時): 16/12/2013 (Date/Month/Year: 日/月/年)

- Lecture title (講演題目): Using Linguistics to Unlock the Past

古代の文明を解明する言語学への招待。

- Lecture summary (講演概要): Please summary your lecture 200-500 words.

In this lecture, I introduced the basic concepts of Historical Linguistics, focusing on how languages change through time to form "language families," and how linguists compare modern related languages to reconstruct their ancestors (called the "comparative method"). I also briefly discussed how languages borrow words and other elements from one another. In addition to these topics, I talked about my own background as a Vietnamese American, as well as about the importance of English to conducting research in the world.

- Language used (使用言語): English, Japanese

- Lecture format (講演形式):

◆Lecture time (講演時間) 45 min (分), Q&A time (質疑応答時間) 30 min (分)

◆Lecture style(ex.: used projector, conducted experiments)

(講演方法 (例: プロジェクター使用による講演、実験・実習の有無など))

Powerpoint

◆Interpretation(ex.: assistance by accompanied person, provided Japanese explanation by yourself) (通訳 (例: 同行者によるサポート、講師本人による日本語説明))

I provided a brief summary in Japanese at the end of my presentation, and also conducted the question & answer period partly in Japanese. Sonda sensei of the Chienkan High School English department also provided language support.

◆Name and title of accompanied person (同行者 職・氏名)

n/a

◆Other note worthy information (その他特筆すべき事項):

n/a

- Impressions and opinions from accompanied person (同行者の方から、本事業に対する意見・感想等がありましたら、お願いいたします。): n/a