

(For JSPS Fellow)

Form B-5

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24 July 2015 (Date/Month/Year: 日/月/年)

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): Ra Mason (ID No. PE14727)
- Participating school (学校名): Kyuyo High School (Okinawa)
- Date (実施日時): 14 July 2015 (Date/Month/Year: 日/月/年)
- Lecture title (講演題目): (in English) Message to future generations of Okinawa: the importance of thinking critically and logically
(in Japanese) 沖縄の次世代へのメッセージ: 論理的且つ批評的に考える重要性
- Lecture summary (講演概要): Please summary your lecture 200-500 words.

The presented lecture focused on an introduction of the researcher's home country (U.K.) in order to provide context to the process of becoming a JSPS researcher. Areas covered included the culture, political economy and parliamentary system of governance currently operating in the UK. In these sections practical materials were handed out to students (European/British notes, coins, card-documents etc.) to supplement oral and visual props. A technique of questioning students during the lecture was also applied in order to stimulate and maintain interaction and extend attention spans – thus increasing student participation and enhancing the learning experience.

The above sections then lead seamlessly into the second part, formed of an explication of motivations and methodology in research, allowing students to understand the means by which political science research is conducted and its value (and/or potential value) to their lives. Within this section the case study of the political struggle involved in the planned construction of the new American base off-shore of Okinawa's Henoko and Oura bays was examined to inform students how a particular issue has local, national and international implications. Finally, students were encouraged to apply systems of analysis and academic thinking logically and critically to their own studies and interests, and every effort was made to persuade the audience that they have enormous potential to shape their own futures, via scientific research.

- Language used (使用言語): English (Japanese for Q&A)

- Lecture format (講演形式): interactive PPT presentation in school gymnasium
 - ◆Lecture time (講演時間) 45 min (分), Q&A time (質疑応答時間) 20 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))
Used projector and material props (e.g. actual currency and ID cards used in UK/EU)
 - ◆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))
Self explanation in Japanese (including via Q&A)
 - ◆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):
JSPS observer present

- 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。):