Yamagata University Faculty of Engineering 2015 International Summer Program

In aim to promote international exchange at Yamagata University, the Faculty of Engineering has held the International Summer Program in collaboration with our partner universities each summer since 2008. For this year's summer program, we took 15 undergraduate students (from sophomore to senior) to Taiwan from September 20th to 30th to visit the National Taiwan University (NTU) College of Engineering and College of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science and the National Central University (NCU) College of Engineering. At NTU and NCU, students attended lectures on engineering in English, visited laboratories, and learned about research being conducted at each university. We also held a cultural exchange event in which Japanese students presented about Yamagata University and Japanese culture. Although it was the first time to make a presentation for many of the students, all of the students were well prepared and successful in getting their messages across to the Taiwanese students. In addition to visiting the two universities, we also visited the branches of two Japanese companies in Taiwan: Yamawa Manufacturing and Nittoku Engineering, to learn about how Japanese companies operate overseas. The students also took part in a short homestay program to learn about Taiwanese culture and family life. After returning to Yamagata, the students presented about their experience in Taiwan to other Yamagata University students and staff on October 28th.

