

Ontario Science Centre
Intern - Jongbum Park

First of all, I want to work more than 8 weeks that is fixed period before I start intern actually. The reason why I felt like that is because I really enjoyed working in Ontario Science Centre. Since I applied for Ontario Science Centre based on my major, I could learn many things about astronomy and space science. I learned about that from a senior research worker who is taking a Ph.D. degree for astronomy and space science in York University.



In my case, it was hard to remember all names of co-workers during the first week. Actually, there are a number of researchers, securities and hosts in Ontario Science Centre the largest science center in Toronto. And also, hundreds of visitors com this place every day. I took a time to adjust myself to my circumstances and to learn what I'll do in 8 weeks during the first week.

even language, though, it was helpful that I took ESL course in SEC for two month and also Power Speaking and Interpretative linguistic in UCCBT. Due to that, I didn't feel heavy to talk to co-workers and was able to learn about astronomy and space science well.



I have mainly gathered data and made a script that hosts will present to the public in the Hot Zone that is a studio offering latest science news. I have researched data of Curiosity the rover to go to Mars made by National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and knew a lot of information of that.

And also I learned about coding to make a program of planetarium and script that host present to the public. The senior research worker, not only researcher but programmer, taught me program a lot.

There were events sport spotlight which are learning about physical change when we are working out with some athletes every Wednesday. I gathered data to find principle of science in sport and talked with athletes and made a script for them before they present. Some of them were Canadian gold medalists of Olympic. It was also great time for me to take a photo with them.

And there was an event called Planet IndigenUS held by Harbour Front Centre in Toronto. Ontario Science Centre also supported that party, therefore, I gathered data that what did the indigenes think about night sky and compared ancient constellations to recent constellations.



At outside of Ontario Science Centre, I could go to observatory in York University with the senior research worker. I was able to learn how to operate the huge telescope and gather the data from that.



I had really great time during intern in Ontario Science Centre and it was helpful for me absolutely.

