

We will keep smiling and trying. Hope you enjoy the Newsletter!

Hi everyone, I am Hsieh, Shao-Pei. / しゃしょうばい / 謝少培. I graduated from Tohoku University in 2017. It's really been a long time not seeing professors and classmates. Hope you all doing well and safe.

I have worked in Taiwan for almost 4 years. The past 4 years, it's not easy for me. I feel very pain to go to the work that I was not really interested in and confused to my career. After repeated struggles and reflections, this year I finally found the field I want to do for a lifetime. Now I am an Investor Relations in BizLink.

After graduated, I worked as an auditor in Deloitte Taipei for a year. I found that I did not like to do the auditing at all. I worked overtime every day for a year, it's ok for me, but the point is the competency of audit is so boring for me. So, I started to think about what my vocation is. My second job is a financial consultant, and the third job is a staff of business planning in Taya Group (one of the listed companies in Taiwan). I was still not satisfied with my life and the work at that time.

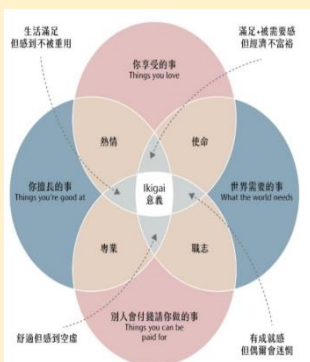
It made me feel meaningless for everything, just work for living, like zombie live without spirit. I hungered to live with more interesting things, people, and challenges. Then I collected lots of information, thought of my abilities, characteristics, and what I could contribute to this society, and also asked elderships, HR hunters for suggestions.

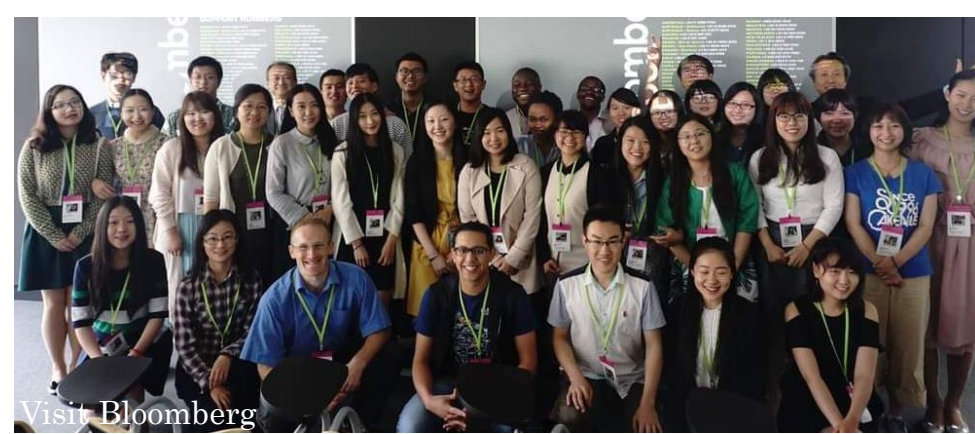
This year, I discovered the field of investor relations (IR), the main target is to solve the information asymmetry between investors and company founders, and reflect the real value of the enterprise. My life is getting busier now. The IR field in Taiwan is in a very early stage, there's still many aspects could be improved. Now I feel very excited to learn new competency, and see what I can do not only for BizLink, but for the IR development in Taiwan.

One last thing I want to share with you all is – if you feel confused of your career and future, it's normal. It's equally important to figure out what you don't want to do, as to figure out what you want to do. If you don't like what you're doing, don't see as a failure or a waste of time. Treat it as a sign that you don't like this, and then you can use the method of elimination to cross it of the list, and go try something different. Life is not about right and wrong, life is more like a multiple choice. Hope you all have wonderful life, and always be happy. Hsieh, Shao-Pei (class of 2017)



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Hello, everyone.

Long time no see. Is everything fine there? This is Jingyu Xue from Tokyo, Japan.

After graduated from IGSAP, I ran a company of real estate and international business in Japan and a small investment bank in New York City, US.

Since the COVID-19 pandemic cut off the international communication, lot of rules in international travel made my business so hard. So, I can only rely on a rent income as an owner and a subsidy from the Japanese government. The situation with the pandemic went bad recently in Japan. Unfortunately, around 500 infections are still reported every day in Tokyo. How is the situation over there?

By the way, Abe sensei just retired from university. We had a trip together in Nikko late April. We enjoyed a magnificent view of Lake Chuzenji and Mt. Nantai-zan from our hotel room. Further we also admired fantastic scenery while taking an excursion boat in lake.

And I met one of IGSAP classmates, Wang kun again in Tokyo this January. We talked to each other face to face after a long time.

I feel so happy and grateful to meet IGSAP members even after graduation.

Hope you are staying safe and healthy. Feel free to contact me!

Jingyu Xue (class of 2018 Spring)



Stay at the hotel together with Abe sensei in Nikko

Whisky time with Abe sensei

Reunion with my favorite schoolmate Wang kun in Tokyo last December



IGSAP school trip to Hakkaisan

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Dear friends:

Greetings from Hainan, mainland China! It's very delightful to meet you again by this way after graduating from IGSAP. I am Xu Yanyan, enrolled in IGSAP in 2017, came back to China in 2018 and graduated in 2019. Though I have never met many of you, as long as the name IGSAP is mentioned, I think that was the most familiar, beautiful, unforgettable and shared memory we all have.

After graduating, I returned to my hometown and became a civil servant in Hainan. Having been working for a year and a half, I deeply feel that this job is completely different from what people imagined. During the past year, I experienced the most severe moment of the COVID-19, we worked day and night for 60 consecutive days. Fortunately, the epidemic in Hainan was quickly brought under control. I have also witnessed the changes in the construction of Hainan Free Trade Port, although everything is still in the preliminary stage. The advice Ohnishi sensei gave me at the very beginning of my career is always in my mind and I want to share it with you: always be patient and sincere as you were a student.

Finally, wish the upcoming Tokyo Olympics a complete success.

Yanyan Xu (class of 2019)



Journey in Hakone with classmates



First experience in kimono



Attending in the people's congress



Interviewed by TV station



Hello, everyone. My name is YING-CHIEH and I graduated from Tohoku University in 2020. Thank you IGSAP for giving me the chance to study and stay in Japan for 1 year. The time I spent in Japan is meaningful to me. I discovered a new culture, explored new places, had gourmet food and make friends from all over the world. In addition to life experiences, I learned a lot new topics from the courses. I appreciated the professional knowledge and the funny things that professors shared with us.

After finishing master's degree, I got an offer from Ernst & Young, one of the top 4 accounting firms in Taiwan. Working in an accounting firm is always full of challenges and under a lot of pressure. Surprisingly, because of the long working hours, I got strong connection with my co-workers. This work experience teaches me how to be a considerate person. Lastly, I want to say that I really miss the friends I met in Japan. Hope everything goes well ♥

Ying-Chieh, Lee (class of 2020)



↑ Really miss the teachers and friends in Japan!! ↑



↑ And I miss Japanese  
FOOD!!



↑ Exchanged culture and  
language with Japanese students.  
The kids are sweet and adorable.



↑ Company trip to Penghu  
with my EY co-workers.

Hi everyone. My name is Pradeep Shrestha and I am from Nepal. I have been living in Japan for the past 8 years, two of which I spent at IGSAP. I was one of the students from the last batch. Right now, I am working as an Associate for Infosys, which is a multinational IT company. It is second largest company in India after TCS but in Japan the presence is not that big but it is getting bigger. I have only been once to the office and have been working from home since then, so I feel lonely sometimes because I have online meetings every day, but I don't get to meet people in person.

I also got married quite recently here in Japan. We took all the precautionary measures and had a small traditional Nepalese wedding ceremony here in Tokyo with only family members and a few close friends. Due to the current pandemic, I know it is hard for everyone to have a normal life, I know this first hand because all of my family members including me were infected with Covid a few months ago. I am incredibly thankful to everyone at IGSAP as because of them I am who I am and where I am. Please take care of yourself and your loved ones. Please stay safe, we can have fun once everyone is properly vaccinated.

Pradeep R. Shrestha (class of 2020)



Japanese Corner



The time when we saw rainbow from Hirai campus



I had a traditional wedding in Tokyo



Yoga class organized by Abe sensei



The first and last time I met people from work in person till now.

