

TGUISS SGH Activity Log 2019

SGH Evaluation Day by Trail Blazers (#1)

Jun.15, 2019

15 teams of students who have entered in ISS Challenge 2019 welcomed trail blazers for the evaluation of the project studies. Not only some professors including Prof. Kenji Karino but Professor Toshisada Deguchi, President of Tokyo Gakugei University, visited us. Members of Sen-ou Alumni Association and Keisen Alumni Association also spared some time and inspired our students by giving lots of advice. One of the students said in the review, “It was a good opportunity to notice our defects in our study. There are so many things we would like to learn, so our subject of research has become too vast. Also, we knew our content has some contradictions. By receiving some advice, we feel we need to focus what our goal is.” We are glad to know that the comment above expresses her enthusiasm for the better project. The Evaluation Day will be held again in the second term.

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One and Only Seminar @TGUISS (# 3)

(Refugees –past & present conditions in the world and in Japan
Is Japan unfriendly to refugees?)

June 28, 2019

We welcomed Prof. Yukie Osa, College of Sociology of Rikkyo University on June 19. The topic was “Refugees-past & present conditions in the world and in Japan. Is Japan unfriendly to refugees?” All the participants pondered themselves when Ms. Osa asked a question, “We Japanese have the possibility of becoming refugees, but who do you think will help us?” A lot of participants were inspired and asked Ms. Osa many questions after the lecture. After her lecture we had another guest for the Global Café, so June 19 became such a fulfilling day for students to learn from the experts.

<Comments by audience>

“Before hearing the lecture, I felt my knowledge of refugees was poor, but thanks to Ms. Osa, I obtained much information and could think deeply from various perspective. Also, it was a great opportunity to think which direction Japan should proceed.”

“Ms. Osa made us realize we live in a country at risk of numerous disasters, that could cause any one of us to become a refugee at any moment. We must continue learning and knowing about the refugees both in the world and in Japan. I would like to keep on asking myself what I want other people to do if I become a refugee, and how I could deal with it.”

Global Café (# 3)

(Specialist lecture by Prof. Keigo Komamura)

June.28, 2019

Fortunately, we were able to invite Prof. Komamura, Faculty of Law, Keio University as our lecturer again. The topic was “Japanese Constitution and family- what is the essence of legal mind? / Let’s think about married couples with the same family names. Let’s seek for same-gender marriage.” Under the keyword “family”, Prof. Komamura offered students so many questions that made them think about the Constitution as well as legal mind. Students asked a lot of questions, and the mood of the lecture room was passionate and enthusiastic.

<Comments by audience>

“It was a precious opportunity to learn much about people’s logic: the fundamental legal mind (From what standard we judge things?); How can we clarify people’s assertion or find out discrepancy in the law? Prof. Komamura was quite persuasive, since his manner of speaking was filled with confidence and knowledge.”
“I learned what is just and what is good, and that was quite useful. I truly thought I must distinguish whether it is just or good. At the same time, I would like to ask Professor why human beings want to talk more about what is good than what is just.”