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English Professional Course 2012

The course is open to students from all faculties in their second year. Thirty students are accepted into the course each year. Applicants should score 160 or above on the TOEIC Bridge in their 1st year, or receive a similar score on an equivalent test. Registration takes place in February after your first year, and notification will occur in late March. Students wishing to apply for the Professional Course should get an application from the English Education Center, fill it out completely, and submit it during the application period stated below.

Application period : 6th Feb 2012 - 17th Feb 2012

Visit the English Education Center office for application

	Course Name	Credits
Required Courses	Oral Communication	2
	Speaking & Reading Strategies	2
	Effective Presentations	2
	Writing Workshop	2



	Course Name	Credits
Total 9 courses Elective Courses	TOEIC Intensive	2
	Business English	2
	Discussion Skills	2
	Writing Strategies	2
	Introductory Interpretation etc.	2

Professional Course students must complete four required courses and four elective courses. Upon successful completion of the course, students will receive a Certificate of Completion.

"International English Experience" - New Elective course

"International English Experience" provides you with exciting and positive experiences of studying and living in Hawaii. This course is elective for Professional Course students who are interested in studying abroad.

Hawaii Post Essay - Yusuke Suganuma (a professional Course student)

I experienced many things in Hawaii. I will introduce three impressive experiences in Hawaii. One is home stay. I was concerned about it; however, my homestay family were all very kind and friendly. So, I didn't need anxiety. I often helped with their work, and then I talked with them. I and my host father climbed a mountain on the first day of my home stay. I was very tired, but it was very exciting. I will never forget that experience. Second one is about my class and class event. We studied not only English but also Hawaiian culture. A Hawaiian style picnic was held in a park. I was glad to communicate with other classes' students. The last special program was a dinner cruise. We ate various foods, and saw a Polynesian dance. I think these three things are impressive experiences in Hawaii. Therefore, I want to go to Hawaii again, and I can recommend this new elective course for English Professional Course students. They should go to Hawaii, because I think their motivation of English will be raised up.



Glen Campbell

The Touch World Cup



Last June from 22nd -26th, 2011, I was lucky enough to participate in the Touch World Cup, held in Edinburgh, Scotland. Touch is a game that is a mixture of Rugby Union and Rugby League, but with fewer players and no tackling. It is the most popular summer sport

in Australia and New Zealand and is becoming more well known overseas.

The Touch World Cup is held every four years (one was held in Kumagaya, Japan in 2003) and this year over 28 countries were competing. I had been asked to play for the Japanese over 30's Men's team (I played competitive rugby and Touch in New Zealand) and as I have lived in Japan for 3 years, was eligible under Touch Federation Rules to play, even though I am not a Japanese National. I was the only member from Shikoku and only 2 of us were from outside Tokyo. The other players were made up of Tokyo club teams.

I travelled to Tokyo every second week during March and April and every week in May and June before the tournament. It cost me a lot of time and money, but was worth it.

The World Cup Tournament in Edinburgh was amazing. Lots of spectators, players, referees and strange Scottish weather made every day exciting. Our team played Fiji, Luxembourg, Germany, Australia, England, South Africa, Scotland, Wales and France. We won 5 games, lost 4 and drew 1. We came in at sixth place. I was disappointed as I thought we could do better, but had a wonderful time.



I was very honored to have played for Japan and wear the Japanese Touch uniform.

I hope to start a Touch team here at Ehime University. Maybe you can join? The next Touch World Cup is in Australia in 2016. Let's go for it!

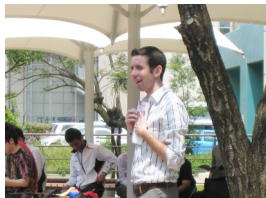


I'm here!!



Goodbye Ehime University

Timothy (Toby) Curtis



To all of my first-year, make-up, elective and intensive class students, Talk! Talk! Talk! takers, Japanese survival course and kanji class members, badminton teammates, co-workers, colleagues and all other friends at Ehime University: thank you for a wonderful few years at Ehime University. Alas, my time here has come to an end. I had hoped to be able to continue living and working in Matsuyama for a long time, but sometimes your career makes you do things a little differently than you had planned.

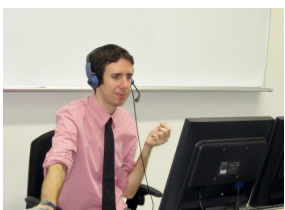
But (here I am, breaking the very rule I have taught to my writing class students, to not start a sentence with a conjunction) I am terribly excited about where I am headed next: Hiroshima! I will be moving to Hiroshima City in March 2012, and in April, beginning a new English-teaching job at Hiroshima Shudo University. It's only a 4-year stint, though, so I may wind up back in Ehime before you can say Bob's your uncle.

First: thanks for the memories everyone... field trips to Dogo, pizza on the last day of class, Halloween parties, making class magazines and web pages, Nou-bado, classes held outdoors, Little Miss Sunshine, inter-office antics... all part of a very "special" experience.

Second: good luck in the future! For English language students, please persevere, and get out there and use English in the real world. Go abroad! University is one of the best times to travel, and studying in another country can broaden your horizons and do wonders for your English. This past summer, I went to Greece (my first trip to Europe) for two weeks and had a delightful time visiting ancient sites like the Parthenon, experiencing Greek culture, food, and music, practicing listening to and speaking the little Greek I studied in college, and of course, island-hopping and relaxing on the beach. You can have your own unique and exciting language-building experience in the exotic location of your choice. And don't forget – English is YOUR language. Just because you were born in Japan doesn't mean that English is a language of "foreigners". Make English a part of you.

Finally: keep in touch! You can find me on Facebook ("Toby Curtis"), Twitter ("tobytimothy"), Mixi ("Toby"), and a myriad of other time-wasting yet addictive social networking sites.

Catch you on the flip side!



Let's try 🤪
some tongue twisters!

LEVEL 1

Knapsack strap

LEVEL 2

A big black bug bit a big black bear.

LEVEL 3

How much wood would a woodchuck chuck, if a woodchuck could chuck wood?



INFORMATION



BOOK CLUB



For students who want to enjoy reading books and talk about them with other people. More information at the EEC office.

Activity schedule: 12:50-14:20 every Monday
at the student Chat Room (2nd floor, Aidai Muse)

English Gang



Reading "Little Charo" now!

All students and staff members of the Ehime University are welcome!

Activity schedule: 12:30-13:00 every Friday
at the student Chat Room (2nd floor, Aidai Muse)



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