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I am a University student in Japan, and I have been studying Engineering. I decided to take one year off from studying, and came to Australia to study English.

While I was in University in Japan, a lot of foreign guests came to my working place but I could not speak English at all, so I often explain with a body language and I was regret that I couldn't provide hospitality as satisfying of foreign customers. My study of the university is mainly about software of mobile phones and personal computers, so, I want to work in an IT industry after graduate from the university. I know this industry need English ability for the work and career developing. Therefore, I decided to take a temporary leave from the university to study English in Australia. I came to Australia for working holiday experience. I couldn't speak English at all and it was my first experience living in abroad. I was expecting that I could improve my English skills enough during the working holiday period. I've learnt English from house mates, friends and my daily life then my English skills improved but I can't explain clearly about what I want to say yet. I thought I should go to language school to study English from basic general level to advanced level. I heard that the Australian education is very high quality. Therefore, I decided to study English in Australia before I return to Japan.

I am going to study Certificate II, III in English for Academic Purpose at Panda Institute. This course is providing mainly speaking and writing skills. I can still study from the course that is suitable for me who need studying from the foundation. I also heard that students are various nationalities, so I'm expected that I can make many friends from school and I will be able to communicate with them and it will be helpful for improving my English skills. The Panda Institute is located in the city. There are not many schools that started from Certificate II in the course of EAL but the Panda Institute has the course from Certificate I and I was worried about my English ability for enrolling to the course but the result of my placement test, I'll be able to enroll to the course from Certificate II. So I decided to study at Panda Institute.

After graduating from the school, I will go back to my university in Japan and study hard to graduate from the university. After graduating from the university I am thinking that I would like to get a job in IT industry in Japan.