Healthcare Immersion & Intensive English Program



January 8—February 18, 2017

Fox Valley TECHNICAL COLLEGE Knowledge That Works

WEEK 1



On January 8, 20 eager Gyeongbuk College students from Korea arrived to the United States to begin their 6-week program at Fox Valley Technical College. The group was greeted by FVTC's Global Education staff, Julie Melnarik, at Chicago O'Hare airport. They were tired from a long day's travel and a 4 hour delay, but were smiling. A private shuttle took them to Appleton and they moved in to their rooms at Tech Village.

A 2-day orientation to the college and the community began right away on Monday, January 9. They were treated with a nice hot American breakfast before they took their very first TEST! The Michigan English Placement Test (MEPT) is given to all of our international students to appropriately place them in classes.

Students learned how to access their Email accounts and our online learning tool, Blackboard





The final activity for the first day at school was a trip to the local grocery store. Students were taken to Woodman's to get their essentials for the first few days. Two FVTC Global Education staff went with the group to answer questions and help find items.

After the group returned to Tech Village, the staff there gave them an orientation of the building and discussed expectations and rules.



On Tuesday, January 10, the group had a chance to practice using the local bus transportation. A FVTC student met them at Tech Village in the morning and took them on a tour of Appleton and the Fox Cities. They were able to see the various sites around the city as well as learn how to use the local buses. FVTC students receive FREE rides on all Valley Transit bus routes so they are able to get around very easily during their stay.

The tour ended at the Fox River Mall. The pictures here show plenty of shopping. Tomorrow the group will start classes





Students began classes on Wednesday of the first week. Instructors had them do a scavenger hunt on campus to learn more about the resources that are available on campus. The Intensive English Program students are enrolled in a Listening & Speaking and Writing course while the Healthcare Students are enrolled in a Healthcare Immersion and Healthcare Communication course. Students will be receiving a total of 6 college credits for the program and will be issued a certificate of completion at the end of the program if they successfully complete and pass their classes.

Intensive English Program

- 1. Beginner English Writing
- 2. Beginner English Listening & Speaking

Healthcare Program

- 1. Healthcare Immersion
- 2. English for Healthcare Communication







Our final student arrived to Appleton on Friday, January 13. FVTC staff met him at the Appleton Greyhound bus station. He proceeded directly to FVTC to get a campus tour, take the English assessment and joined the Healthcare the group for a free weekend.

The weekend was spent going to the mall, grocery shopping, visiting with friends and trying out new restaurants in Appleton. Sundays in Appleton area all about the Green Bay Packers during football season. Take a look at the picture below. This students got into the spirit right away!









UPCOMING EVENTS for STUDENTS

<u>January 17</u>: Healthcare Fair: Gyeongbuk Nursing students will participate and assist during the annual FVTC Heath Fair. Students will be doing blood pressure checks, demonstrating healthy living, and practicing their English with faculty and staff on campus throughout the fair.

<u>January 19</u>: Bowling. Students will have an opportunity to go bowling with other international students during FVTC's new international student orientation.

<u>January 20</u>: Ice Skating. Students will have an opportunity to go ice skating with other international students during FVTC's new international student orientation.

<u>January 21:</u> Madison, Wisconsin. Students will spend a day in Madison, the capitol of Wisconsin. They will tour the capital building and have some free time to explore the university area.

January 28: Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Students will explore Milwaukee and visit the art museum.

February 11: Chicago, Illinois: Students will spend the day in Chicago where the group will visit a museum and go up to the top of the Willis Tower. Students will also have some time to explore Michigan Avenue.

Other activities to be announced.





