

Short-Term Intern Program in Primatology and Wildlife Science (1 April 2019 – 30 September 2019)

From 1 April 2019 through 30 September 2019, the Primate Research Institute (PRI), in collaboration with the Wildlife Research Center (WRC), conducted a Short-Term Intern Program in Primatology and Wildlife Science as part of Kyoto University's Wild & Wise Collaborative Learning Program.

Thirteen international students participated in the program to study alongside their Japanese peers to experience cutting-edge primatology and wildlife research.

Training covered fields ranging from comparative cognitive science, ethology, to neuroscience.

The interns also attended the Comparative Wildlife Research Workshop, presented by PRI's Center for International Collaboration and Advanced Studies in Primatology (CICASP) as an opportunity to practice communicating science in English. The experience of discussing a wide range of scientific topics in a cross-cultural setting helped all participants hone their international communication skills.

In addition, the students took an overnight tour of Kyoto to experience the city's rich cultural heritage. The first day included exploring Japanese garden at the Taizo-in Buddhist temple and the second day included lectures by WRC professors and graduate students.



Touring Taizo-in Zen Buddhist Temple



Lecture by a graduate student at WRC



Handkerchief dyeing experience with a traditional technique from the Edo period