

2013 Fall Scholarship Essay

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The topic reminds me of an unforgettable experience when I traveled to Boston last summer. Unlike the domestic parking charge policy, American prefers to make use of parking meter to cut down the expense of labor. This particular policy provides us with convenience, but meanwhile it inevitably enhances the demand of coins. It leads to the fact that once I asked a cashier for change at a local supermarket. Unfortunately, she did not have any. So eventually I back to the car totally in vain. All of a sudden, an old lady, with grey hair, dragged the pace of hobble over me. The moment I rolled down the window I was totally astonishing, the old lady came to me, all through her way, only to ask me whether I need any change because she was happened to hear me at the store. The simple act, it is no exaggeration to say, just like a chicken soup for the soul offered to me. It occurred to me the interpersonal relationship again.

So, as for me, the first reason why I would like to study abroad is that American seemingly has a better consciousness to help others. Sometimes we travel to somewhere, not for enjoying the beauty of nature, not for soaking in a different culture, sometimes, a basic human concern really matters. When it comes to choose a place to study and live, I will personally place a higher value on the local human concern. Because it affects the relations between students and students, between students and professors and it significantly has an impact on the leaning pattern, even the life pattern. In other words, I prefer a place to study where professors are always willing to teach and care students, where strangers are always willing to help and show their concern. In this way, I will achieve better academically and always in a good mood.

Secondly, I choose to study abroad in order to experience a various study pattern. For instance, as far as I know, because of the great number of students and the comparatively rare teachers in China, a university professor is always in charge of a class which consists of more than 50 students. Arrange of seating is also unsatisfactory. A professor stands in the very front of the class, in the face of him seat the students, who are arranged in rows, forming a quite large class. As a consequence of this, the professor is only capable of paying his attention to the front students. Additionally, it is little time for him to answer all the questions presented by the students due to the great number and the lack of time. Conversely, here comes the basic situation of American class, 20 students or so seat in a fan-shaped alike pattern, offering the opportunity that everyone in the class faces the professor straightly. Thanks to this, the learning efficiency and the dedication to the class are built up in a much better way. It is the students that should be kept in the center instead of teachers after all. I believe though the number of people who are well-educated increases year by year. On no account can we ignore the quality of our education. Therefore, I intend to go abroad for better education and do my part to improve the quality of education in China after returning my home.

Thirdly, studying abroad stands for independence and self-reliance. In this way, going abroad means I set

myself a task to take care of myself, without the help of my parents. Reluctant as I am, it is high time for me to totally rely on myself and build up my own versatility. By going through this trial, I firmly reckon that I am able to live a better life and look after my parents in a better way after returning home.

To sum up, personally, the primary cause of studying abroad lies in the pursuit of a better humanity-concern society, a better way of learning and a better growth to become independent. I considerably believe the extraordinary experience of studying abroad will be significantly beneficial both to my study and my career forward.