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How did you hear about Edmonds Community College?

I heard about Edmonds from my study abroad agent in Hong Kong. Actually I went to several agencies and they all recommended EdCC.

How long did you study at EdCC? How did Edmonds CC help you in your studies?

I studied here for 7 quarters, almost 2 years.

EdCC has a lot of good instructors. They are experienced, kind and easy to access.

I always got helped when I needed it. Because of the small class size, I was able to get to know everybody in the class and study together. It really helped my studies.

The Learning Support Center offers free tutoring. I brought my questions there and got answers back. I also brought my essays in to get some advice. This improved my grade a lot. Also Edmonds CC chose a really good host family for me. I didn't have to get distracted by ordinary living hassles. I could even practice my English with them.

Studying in Edmonds CC was a valuable experience. It helped me to adapt to the new American culture. One thing that I learned is to take initiative. You may get it if you ask for it, or you will never have a chance. I think this helped me prepare for upcoming challenges, not only in my further studies, but also in my career.

Would you have preferred to go to a four-year university for your first two years of study?

I would definitely choose a two-year college for my first two years of study. Once I thought that I would miss some good time by not being a freshman in a four-year university. But I found that time is still as good in a two-year college. Also I paid significantly less tuition, had more attention from instructors, and got to know many people. I really enjoyed my first two years of college life in EdCC.



Where are you transferring? What is your major?
I am going to transfer to the University of
Washington and major in electrical engineering. I
am looking forward to it.

What are your future plans?

Getting a bachelor degree is the first thing in my
head. Then I want to stay in America to have some
work experience and earn my tuition for my master
degree. Then...maybe get a high paying job and get
a wife, have some children... but it seems far away
from now.