

UAFS International Student testimonials

Maša – Belgrade, Serbia

Q: Please describe your thoughts on studying abroad at UAFS.

A: At first I was afraid of new environment and culture, but now I think coming to UAFS was the best decision I've ever made!

Q: What was/is your biggest culture shock or surprise when you came to the US?

A: I still don't understand why dime is smaller than a nickel when a dime is worth more.

Marina Ishii – Yokohama-shi, Kanagawa, Japan

Q: What is your favorite part about UAFS and why?

A: I like the campus, because it is so pretty. I also really like the staff, because they are really kind and helpful

Q: What was/is your biggest culture shock or surprise when you came to the US?

A: I was surprised that the portions of meals at restaurants here were so big! They are nearly twice the size of Japanese portions. I didn't really experience any culture shock.

Q: What is your favorite part about Ft. Smith?

A: My favorite part is the people. They are really nice, friendly, and kind.

Hoang (aka Tom) – Hanoi, Vietnam

Q: What do you enjoy most about the UAFS campus?

A: I like the fact that the campus is a very safe place. I also like the friendly atmosphere here.

Q: What was your first impression about the students and faculty on campus?

A: I love that the faculty on campus is very nice and helpful.

Q: Please describe your thoughts on studying abroad at UAFS.

A: I think UAFS is a very worthy university. It's very peaceful, so it makes it a great place to study.

Arthur – Teresina, Brazil

Q: What do you enjoy most about the UAFS campus?

A: What I love most about the UAFS campus is the green area, because with all of the hard work I have, the beautiful campus calms me down and brings peace at the moment I need.

Q: What have been your favorite activities on campus to get involved in?

A: Actually, I haven't been involved in campus the way I should and wish. However, I've done volunteering before and it pleased me. Helping people is much better than many people think it is.

Rina – Sagami-hara-shi, Kanagawa, Japan

Q: What is your favorite course at UAFS? Why?

A: My favorite course at UAFS was Botany, because Dr. Nelson's lectures were so fun and interesting. I learned new surprising and interesting facts of various plants!

Q: What was your first impression about the students and faculty on campus?

A: My first impression about the students and faculty on campus is that everyone at UAFS is so kind. They were patient with understanding my English. Also, people were nice enough to give me a ride during the cold winter and hot summer days.

AnGe– Libreville, Gabon

Q: Would you recommend attending UAFS to another student? Why or why not?

A: Yeah I think I would recommend UAFS! It's a nice little university not very expensive, and a good place to focus on studying!

Q: What is your favorite part about Ft. Smith?

A: Fort Smith is very calm and relaxed, people are quite friendly and say Hi to each other and I like that.

Q: What have been your favorite activities on campus to get involved in and why?

A: My favorite was the International Festival because it's a great opportunity to let people learn about where I'm from. Also, I can learn more about American culture and other students' home countries!

Jack- Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

Q: What is your favorite part/s about UAFS and why?

A: I love the inexpensive tuition rates and the beautiful campus. The class sizes are really small, so you have more one on one. Also, the professors are always really kind.

Q: What was/is your biggest culture shock or surprise when you came to the US?

A: Food was the biggest culture shock. At first it didn't seem like a big deal, but in the long run it's totally the biggest one.

Q: What have been your favorite activities on campus to get involved in and why?

A: My favorite activity to participate in was the International Festival where I was able to be a country host.

Djordje- Lazarevac, Serbia

Q: What is your favorite course at UAFS? Why?

A: My favorite course was American national government with Dr. Willoughby. The instructor had very good teaching techniques, and the material was brand new and very interesting to me.

Q: What was your first impression about the students and faculty on campus?

A: They are all very nice and relaxed people around here.

Q: What was/is your biggest culture shock or surprise when you came to the US?

A: Driving everywhere and the way Americans eat. I got used to their way of eating and I don't feel like changing these new habits.