

Research Visit Report
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Visit

(1) Destination

Country: Canada

City: Victoria, British Columbia

Organization: University of Victoria

Program: Digital Humanities Summer Institute

(2) Term

2012/06/03~2012/06/10 (8days)

Subject of Research

The aim of the research is to learn how to organize and utilize academic data using computers. I am especially interested in building digital archives of the minutes of proceedings, because I plan to write a thesis on how this affects policy making.

Research Activities

I took a course called 'Digitisation Fundamentals and their Application' which involved several classes on topics such as Project Planning, Digitising Images, Digitising Audio, Digitising Video, Web Design, and Web 2.0. The classes consisted of lectures and workshops so we could combine theory with practice. We learned how to digitize materials using software such as Photoshop, Audacity, and Text Wrangler.

Prospect of Future Research

I gained a lot of knowledge about digital humanities during my stay in Victoria, but one week is too short to produce any significant outcome. I am working on my graduation thesis this year, so I will make an effort to put what I learned in Victoria into my own research.

I would like to thank my two teachers, Mr. Nakamura and Mr. Nagasaki for their help in catching up with the lectures.