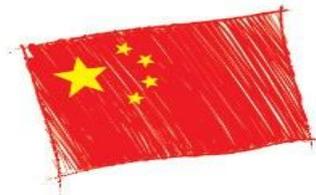




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I always believed that know China would be something huge. In fact, it really is. Until recently, I hardly imagine myself immersed in a chinese university for about three weeks, experiencing such a rich singular culture.

I read once that “life is all about opportunities. The man who goes further is almost always the one who has the courage to risk” and in short it is what this program and China represented for me, for my professional and personal life. Literally, the opportunity brought me to one of the farthest places I could be, and incite me to break my own barriers. I learned to take the chance and let me live the new.

Just as China has taken advantage of the opportunities to grow, to experience this thought “in loco” is an incredible lesson for the life of anyone who want to learn, transform and evolve.

The growth of China is not represented only by numbers, I could see it with my own eyes. As a civil engineering student, is impossible not to pay attention to the amount of construction in progress in the cities that I passed. The large number of cranes that are on the streets, building ever higher and more modern projects, makes visible and tangible growth and development than are appointed by the economy.

The Top China Santander Universidades has given me much more than international mobility. Living with people so different, yet so committed to helping others, trying to understand what we need as well to make themselves understood in another

language, give us the feeling that we are in the same boat, unite and feel solidarity to the needs of the others.

Beijing has been my home for about eighteen days and I could not be more grateful. An immense city that offers all sorts of opportunities for the visitors as well as any western capital, but that overflows an ancient culture that is present in every corner of the city.

Living here as a local showed me that I can adapt to different situations, that I am able to live with adversity and be productive in many different environments.

China's population is a separate chapter. There is no exception as their kindness and dedication. All people I've meet during this journey did their best in order to help me and ease my stay, and I do believe this is one of the essences of chinese people.

With daily contact with students from Peking University, I could begin to understand their culture, way of acting, think and relate to others and their motivations, what by far I could not imagine. This cultural exchange, where I could also show a bit of Brazilian culture, habits and even some traditions, has made these days an extremely enriching period, and that will be a value part of my life story.

Also, I could see the commitment and discipline of chinese students. These are people who give themselves fully to what they propose to do, both in studies as to who request any help, performing their tasks with dedication and pledge.

I must mention the friendship that were born during this program and has the promise to be long, not just with chinese, but also with brazilian students of the various universities in Brazil.

To know a country in a full growth like China that keeps it traditions make us understand that is possible always be a better version of ourselves.

Being here is like to meet a very old man with a millennial knowledge. And as a student from Shanghai Jiao Tong University said in our passage there, every meeting is a treasure.