

My Summer in USA 2010

This summer I took part in an international culture-exchange programme KAMP America. I think that it's absolutely vital for every student of our department to participate in such a programme. Being abroad, speaking with native speakers, travelling is the unforgettable experience which everyone should try in their life.

As for me, I've been studying English for only one year and of course it was a difficult decision for me to go to the US. I made my mind and did it!

I've never been abroad before so when we got to New York I was experiencing a culture shock – people speaking in English, everything was completely different from our country. I felt sleepy but I tried to be awake because I wanted to see, to feel, to try everything. NYC is one of the most wonderful cities in the whole world and of course one night wasn't enough.

Then we with other international staff were brought to the camp by bus. The camp Scatico is situated in the forest area, on the shore of the lake in two hours from New York City.

I worked as a waitress in the kitchen with the students from Mexico, Czech Republic, Slovenia, Slovakia, Poland, Columbia, Hungary, Russia. First I had some problems with the language but already in two weeks we could understand each other easily.

On day-offs we had an opportunity to travel or just staying at camp and doing some activities. We went to Boston for two days and four days we spent in NYC.

After the camp we went to Niagara Falls and One thousand Islands. It was really amazing. Water growling, a beautiful rainbow made a great impression on me. The waterfall is especially wonderful at night when it's lit with colour lights.

This summer was the best one in my life. I'm happy that I've chosen the KAMP programme and not the Work America because I didn't worry about accommodation, money and food. You will loose a lot if you don't visit America at least one time.

I will never forget this summer.