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I am Onalenna Kereilwe from a diamond mining village called Letlhakane in Botswana. I came to Japan in April 2016 after being awarded the MONBUKAGAKUSHO: MEXT scholarship from Japanese government for PhD studies in The United Graduate School of Veterinary Science, Yamaguchi University. I arrived to YU and joined the Laboratory of Reproduction under the supervision of Associate Professor Dr. Kadokawa.

My university located in Yamaguchi city. It is a small city in Japan but has a lot of natural beauties. This place is really a perfect environment for people to study and research due to its quietness and not densely populated. I really enjoy education environment in Yamaguchi University with all modern facilities for research.

The people in my laboratory are pleasant, friendly, polite and diligent. And I have received important help and support from them in my study, my life in Japan, especially, my supervisor. He has taught me a lot of modern techniques, new methods and shared his practical research experiences in animal reproduction, health and nutrition. He has also shared with me some important tips to ease my life in Japan.



Beside the study, I also attend Japanese culture and social activities which are organized by Yamaguchi University, Yamaguchi city office, Kazenokai or other societies. For example, the rice harvesting, apple picking, bon dance festival...etc. It is opportunity for me to understand and learn more about Japanese traditional culture. Life in Japan is enjoyable. The living cost in Yamaguchi city is not too expensive when compared to other places. Everything is very comfortable, especially, transportation system. The people can go anywhere by public transportation on holidays for relaxing or enjoying the beautiful places and different weather of seasons in Japan. Finally, I am grateful to Japanese Government for granting me a PhD scholarship to study in Japan. I also thank my family for supporting me during my study. Thank you to all people in Yamaguchi city.