

## Name / 氏名 大橋 香苗

Home country or region / 出身国·地域

Japan

<u>Languages I speak / 話せる言語</u> **Japanese, English** 

Academic specialties / 専門

Phonology, Second language acquisition

Hobbies or interests / 趣味·特技

Playing the violin, cooking, jogging

How I learned foreign languages When I was a student / 学生時代どのように外国語を学習したか

I studied as a master's student in Ottawa, Canada. At first, I had difficulty understanding and communicating in English. To improve my language skills, I made a conscious effort to use English as much as possible. Watching sitcoms like "Friends" also helped me to improve my English.

A message to students learning foreign languages /外国語を学ぶ学生へのメッセージ

I understand that learning a foreign language requires a lot of effort, but once you reach a level where you can use it effectively, your world expands. Therefore, don't give up and challenge yourself to step out of your comfort zone. You don't have to be perfect; the act of making a constant effort is valuable in itself.

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