

**St. Norbert  
College  
Center for Global  
Engagement  
ESL Institute**

November 2019

## Friendship Families and Conversation Partners

Within our program, each student has an opportunity to be matched with a domestic family. This allows students to get a full cultural experience of being away at a college and living with a family in the United States. The students get to experience new things like different traditional holidays, small vacations, and family dinners.

A few of our students are also paired up with conversation partners. Conversation partners are domestic St. Norbert students who chose to meet with an international student once a week so the international student can practice their speaking skills.

# Traveling the Midwest To Madison, WI and Chicago, IL

By: Miki Shigehara, Shohei Harada, and Lexi Anderson

Photo Credit: Susie McGinnity, Kristen Romes

Our ESL students traveled to Madison, WI and Chicago, IL. Miki and all the



*Madison, WI*

ESL students visited Madison, WI on October 29, 2019. During her experience, she “went to the capitol. It was very big. We saw many rooms which politicians argue in in the capitol. It was a valuable experience in Madison”. The students were also able to visit the University of Wisconsin-Madison Badgers football stadium.

Our ESL students took a trip to Chicago, IL on November 9, 2019 along with many of our other international students and domestic students.



*Chicago, IL*

Shohei’s experience wasn’t his first, he said, “In all honesty, to visit Chicago was my second time as my short trip to Chicago. Still, I enjoyed my Chicago trip. The main purpose in Chicago was getting “Garrett Popcorn” for my roommates as a souvenir. Finally, I got it and my roommates were satisfied with it.”

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### Mission

We're here to enable students to acquire the skills to read, write, speak, and understand American English for academic and professional purposes.

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## Spooky Season on the Saint Norbert Campus

By: Miyu Aoyagi, Mai Kosugi, and Lexi Anderson

Photo Credit: Mai Kosugi, Mayu Adachi



**Miyu and Mai won the costume contest as Eggs and Bacon!**

Many of the ESL students attended a Halloween costume party on campus. Mai and Miyu wrote that, “we like bacon and eggs, so we chose this costume. It was first time to enjoy the Halloween party. There were many people who were wearing cute costumes. We painted pumpkins, played games, and took many pictures with them. We had a good time at the party. We didn’t think that we were selected the “Most Creative Costume Award”, so we were surprised; it was a good experience for us.”

### Fun Fact!

### Upcoming Events:

Our students this semester  
are from:

- ◇ Japan
- ◇ Peru
- ◇ Vietnam
- ◇ Ecuador
- ◇ Saudi Arabia

**Final Exams: Dec. 9-13, 2019**

**Winter Break: Dec. 14, 2019-  
Jan. 26, 2020**

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
of Service: Jan. 20, 2020**

**Spring Semester starts:  
Jan. 27, 2020**