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PSU's Intensive English Program hosts students from Kyungnam College of Information & Technology for English program



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The Pittsburg State University Intensive English Program (IEP) hosted a four-week virtual English program with 22 students from Kyungnam College of Information & Technology (KIT), in Korea.

"The overall experience was absolutely wonderful," said Paige Cortes, IEP coordinator. "It was intensely gratifying to help a group of very shy students gain confidence each day to practice English."

Throughout the program, the students from KIT were able to learn about basic verb forms, some beginner modal verbs, and tenses. They also learned about the American college classroom, about campus life, various programs offered at PSU, and much more. Of course, they also learned "Once a Gorilla, Always a Gorilla!"

Throughout the program, guest speakers from across the Pitt State campus and Pittsburg community contributed to the lessons.

"So many people from across campus and Pittsburg joined us after business hours to share," said Cortes. "We thank all those who shared their expertise and enthusiasm with us. Sharing the different programs offered at PSU and throughout the Pittsburg community made me so proud."

Mark Johnson, Amy Hite, Amber Tankersley, Chelsey Decker, Jeannice Parker, Jon Bartlow, Irene An, Blake Benson, Jessica Born, Erin Warner, and Angel Cereceres all contributed to the program.

The KIT students enjoyed the experience.

"It's a very informative and fun (class) to me," said Somin Im.

Cortes and Liddia both said much they appreciate Sejeong Kim and Ms. Eun Hee Kim of KIT, the staff from the PSU International Programs and Services office, and the KIT students for making the program a success.

"This particular group of students was very bright and welcoming," said Liddia Graves, IEP Instructor. "I had so much fun creating a unique class for them and getting to know them as we went along. We are also very grateful and appreciative to our IPSO and to Ms. Eunhee Kim and Mrs. Suejeong Kim for making it all possible."