

Haruka Sasaki

Country: Japan

Course: Diploma of Fine Arts

Institute: TAFE NSW – Northern Sydney Institute, Northern Beaches College



When her counsellor told her about TAFE NSW, Haruka Sasaki was still planning to study in Japan. However, she did some research and realised what a valuable opportunity TAFE offered. Haruka found that TAFE NSW offered courses that were much more practical. She enrolled in the Diploma of Fine Arts at TAFE NSW – Northern Sydney Institute, Northern Beaches College in 2009.

TAFE NSW – Northern Sydney Institute has five campus locations in Sydney's metropolitan area and offers over 100 courses for international students from certificates to advanced diplomas and degrees.

Northern Beaches, where Haruka studied a few days a week, is renowned for being one of the safest and most desirable areas of Sydney. The area

has many large shopping centres and recreational areas and students are able to live and study close to Sydney's most beautiful parks and beaches, such as Manly and Palm Beach.

Students are taught by highly-qualified and skilled teachers to achieve valuable qualifications with government guaranteed quality. Haruka agreed that the teachers were an important part of her experience at TAFE NSW.

Haruka found the teachers both helpful and encouraging. "Because I couldn't speak English fluently, I didn't really get the chance to talk to the teachers in all my classes. But some of my teachers spent time talking to me during coffee breaks and guiding me to get me on the right track."

Haruka's experience at Northern Beaches College was extremely rewarding and she would recommend TAFE NSW to anyone interested in studying under a practical setting.

Haruka returned to Japan after completing her Diploma of Fine Arts.