

Dear Tazaki Foundation,

I am Yifei Guan, a third-year undergraduate student at The University of Tokyo, also a member of the GLP-GEfIL Program. I am honoured to express my deepest gratitude for the scholarship you provided that allowed me to attend the Pembroke Summer Programme at the University of Cambridge. Studying in the UK has always been on my dream list, and it would have not been possible without your generous support.

During the six-week programme, I took three courses: “Sustainability”, “AI - Friend or Foe?”, and “Economics of Inequality”. The “Sustainability” course, in particular, resonated with my academic background in Environmental Sciences, offering me new insights into sustainable practices and policy implications. Meanwhile, the course on AI explored the complex relationship between this new technology and society, helping me appreciate both the opportunities and ethical dilemmas associated with AI. Each course offered a deep understanding of global issues, while allowing me to experience the world-class teaching quality at the University of Cambridge.



Living on the college grounds of Pembroke College was an important part of the experience. Being surrounded by the historic architecture and vibrant student life of Cambridge allowed me to fully engage with the academic culture. The teaching style at Cambridge, characterised by informative lectures and small group seminars, encouraged my critical thinking and active participation.

Beyond academics, I was also able to visit the impressive museums, galleries, and historic landmarks across Cambridge and other parts of the UK, adding depth to my understanding of British history and culture. Socially, the Pembroke Summer Programme created opportunities for us to interact with students from diverse backgrounds and nationalities, broadening my perspective and while forming long friendships. These connections have been an invaluable network for academic collaboration and cultural exchange.

The time at the Pembroke Summer Programme was an immensely rewarding experience that would not have been possible without the generous support of the Tazaki Foundation. I am very grateful for this opportunity, which has significantly contributed to my personal growth and academic development. The insights and experiences gained will influence my future studies and career aspirations. Thank you for making this incredible journey possible.

Yours sincerely,
Yifei Guan