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Brief Introduction

It is very glad to have an opportunity to participate in the Project Mingde programme in Vietnam organized by the department of civil engineering. We have a group of 14 students precipitated in this programme. 9 of them from Civil Engineering, 4 of them from Social Science and 1 of them from Comparative Literature. I am very appreciated that the department gave me this valuable chance and also thanks for the support from the department, Project Mingde, World Vision and also the students from Vietnam University, providing me a platform to apply my academic knowledge to real practical engineering solutions.



“Engineers” in construction process

My role was an assistant resident engineer in the internship. My main job was to inspect the work and report the progress to my senior. Besides, I also did the construction work on my own instead of just inspecting the workers. In the construction project, I tried to move the bricks, backfilling, steel reinforcement, mixing the concrete, bricklaying, building temporary support, rendering the wall and also measuring the dimension.



Cross-disciplinary works

Other than the civil engineering works, I got in touch with the social science works. In social science deliverable, I had to conduct interviews with different groups of people. I was able to learn a lot of communication skills as these works are something new to me.



Conclusion

In conclusion, this internship programme is comprehensive. It is a precious experience for me in the future. I hope I can apply the practical skills learnt from this internship.

