Final Report on Study Exchange at the University of Lucerne

Please write the report (max 2 pages) in German or English in complete sentences (no keywords).

Mobility program	ERASMUS
Home university	UNIVERSIDAD DE CÁDIZ
Field of study	LAW
Semester	Fall term 2013 and Spring term 2014
Name und E-Mail (optional)	BELÉN BUSTAMANTE

General impression Please describe your stay in 4-5 sentences	My stay in Luzern has been a great and unforgettable experience. There were more exchange students than I expected, and from everywhere around world. Switzerland is a nice country, Swiss people are kind.
Entry/ arrival in Switzerland Immigration formalities, visa	Immigration formalities are not nice at all. Sometimes people working there do not even speak English, and some colleagues had problems with their residence permits.
Searching for rooms/ accommodation Experiences and useful addresses	Searching for a flat in order to share with friends is not an easy task. One of the best options for me is Steinhof student residence, because of the location, but also formalities there are not appropriate sometimes.
Public transportation Train, bus, accessibility of university buildings	In case you have your monthly pass, half fare tax, and so on. Public transportation is really good. Punctual and clean buses, trains… High prices too.
Prearrangements Registration for courses, language tests, academic records	All the formalities within the University work quite properly. There are always someone trying to help you, and they are quick.
Information on university Location, size, infrastructure	I expected a bigger university, the building is not big but it is nice because you have to share canteen with students from other degrees. The library is very good
German course at the university „German for Beginners" visited? Content of course, usage	German for Beginners was good, but in my opinion not enough in case the Univerisity really wants us to learn some German.
Studying at the university Content of lectures, credits, assessments	Interesting lectures, but sometimes I felt equal treatment between students whose mother tongue was the language of the course and whose language was not the one of the course. I did not find that fair.
Assistance at the university Student advisors, Mobility Office, mentors, contact with other students	SOL organization works really well. They prepared amazing excursions and activities which we enjoyed a lot.
Budgeting Living costs, study material, money transfer	It was not as expensive as I was expecting (because I have read that it was pretty expensive). It is expensive, but you are able to manage without expending more than 1500 CHF monthly.
Living/ leisure Meeting places, sports, culture	The sports programs from the university are amazing; I have tried many sports for the first time thanks to the university.
Comparison What is better/ worse at the University of Lucerne compared to your home university?	At the University of Lucerne, administration stuff works much better than at my home university. Also, the sports programs are really useful, I do not have that at my uni. From my university, I have a better building and more places to study and rest.