



Final Report on your Study Exchange at the University of Lucerne

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

Mobility Program	PARTNERSHIP (outside Europe)
Home university	NALSAR University of Law, Hyderabad
Semester	Fall term 2016
Field of study	I was an exchange student with the Faculty of Law, University of Lucerne, Bachelor
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<p>General impression Please describe your stay in 4-5 sentences</p>	<p>I really enjoyed my exchange semester at the University of Lucerne. I got to study subjects that are not offered back in my Home University, and hence felt that I was gaining valuable exposure by studying in Lucerne. I love the atmosphere in Switzerland – the people are so friendly, the university teachers and officials went out of their way to make me feel comfortable. I also really liked the location of my residence. It was located very close to a grocery store and the train/bus station was also very close by. It has been a great experience and I highly recommend the University of Lucerne to anybody who wants to spend a semester abroad in Europe.</p>
<p>Entry/ arrival in Switzerland Immigration formalities, visa</p>	<p>I found the migration office registrations slightly complicated. It was efficiently done and there was no dearth of guidance on how to go about it, but I felt that the process was very slow and I got my residence permit only one month before I left Lucerne.</p>
<p>Searching for rooms/ accommodation Experiences and useful addresses</p>	<p>I took up the accommodation in Emmenbrucke, provided by the University.</p>
<p>Public transportation Train, bus, accessibility of university buildings</p>	<p>The train station and the bus stops are very close to the residence. They take you directly to Lucerne main station which is just a minute's walk away from the University. Transport accessibility is excellent.</p>
<p>Prearrangements Registration for courses, language tests, academic records</p>	<p>There was sufficient notice given to us for the registration for all the courses and the syllabus for each course was informed well ahead in time.</p>
<p>Information on the university Location, size, infrastructure</p>	<p>The University building is centrally located, has an excellent library on the 1st floor and the classrooms are spacious with a beautiful view of Lake Lucerne.</p>
<p>German course at the university "German Short Course" visited? Content of course, use?</p>	<p>I would highly recommend the German short course, because it has helped me learn basic German, which has helped in grocery shopping, ordering for food in restaurants and asking for help in case of any difficulty. I also met other exchange students before actual commencement of classes, which is very beneficial.</p>
<p>Studying at the university Content of lectures, credits, assessments</p>	<p>There is a diverse range of lectures offered. I enjoyed the content and structure of each course I opted for. The assessment based on class participation is very important in order to get students to pay attention in class and I found this a great aspect of the course structure. The number of credits assigned to each course is also suited to my needs back at my home University, so I did not feel totally lost here.</p>
<p>Assistance at the university Mobility Coordinator, International Relations Office, student advisors, mentors, contact with other students</p>	<p>The Mobility Coordinator was extremely helpful and went out of her way to make sure that all my doubts and concerns were addressed at the earliest. All the others in the different departments were very kind and made sure that I was comfortable at all times. They were friendly and no matter what I asked they were always willing to help.</p>
<p>Budgeting</p>	<p>I found the study material quite expensive, and considering that it was necessary to</p>

<p>Living costs, study material, money transfer</p>	<p>buy them to study for exams, I felt like I had no other choice. Switzerland in general is very expensive, but I managed a monthly budget and did not spend too much during my stay here.</p>
<p>Living/ leisure Meeting places, sports, culture</p>	<p>Lucerne is centrally located. Most of the mountains and other places of attraction are easily accessible from Lucerne by train. Lucerne itself has a lot to offer and has a lot of places for leisure. The sports facilities at the university are top-notch and the fitness classes provided by the University are organized by trained experts and are a lot of fun.</p>
<p>Comparison What is better/ worse at the University of Lucerne as compared to your home university?</p>	<p>I like the course structure at my University better (with a mid-semester exam schedule) because then I don't have the burden of studying the entire course just before the final exams. I however like the selection of courses better here at the University of Lucerne. I find the teachers at both Universities to be of excellent caliber. I like the location, infrastructure and co-curricular activity system of the University of Lucerne much better compared to my home university.</p>
<p>Reasons Why did you choose to complete an exchange semester at the University of Lucerne?</p>	<p>I wanted to study a semester abroad in Europe and the two places offered to us were Switzerland and Germany. I chose Switzerland because I've heard so much about the culture, the people and the country's beauty. I chose Lucerne because I know that the University of Lucerne has a strong law faculty that is only growing over the years and the prospect of studying here appealed to me.</p>
<p>Duration Looking back, was the duration of your stay here:</p>	<p> <input type="checkbox"/> too short <input type="checkbox"/> too long <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> just right I would have preferred to spend a whole year, instead of just a semester at the University. But my time here has been a great experience and I would highly recommend it to all future applicants who want to study abroad. </p>