

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	The University of Sheffield
Field of study	LAW
Semester	Spring term 2013
Name und E-Mail (optional)	

<p>General impression Please describe your stay in 4-5 sentences</p>	<p>My stay here in Lucerne has been absolutely wonderful, both in terms of the study experience as well as with regard to the local and day to day living experience generally. I think it is safe to say that Lucerne (and Switzerland in particular) is like a small earthly paradise, especially for an exchange student who looks forward to having the adventure of a lifetime.</p>
<p>Entry/ arrival in Switzerland Immigration formalities, visa</p>	<p>Everything was really straightforward and quick.</p>
<p>Searching for rooms/ accommodation Experiences and useful addresses</p>	<p>The university provided me with the necessary information for finding and securing accommodation well in advance so I did not have to worry too much about having to find something on my own.</p>
<p>Public transportation Train, bus, accessibility of university buildings</p>	<p>Everything is within easy reach and Lucerne (and Switzerland for that matter) has a very developed transportation system.</p>
<p>Prearrangements Registration for courses, language tests, academic records</p>	<p>These issues were all settled in due time before coming to Lucerne. The staff from the Mobility Office in charge with the exchange programme is all very nice and helpful and has sent e-mails and instructions for every single administrative arrangement that needed to be taken care of.</p>
<p>Information on university Location, size, infrastructure</p>	<p>The university building is located close to the train station, in the city centre. It is quite big and extremely modern with a very friendly and fresh study environment.</p>
<p>Studying at the university Content of lectures, credits, assessments</p>	<p>The lectures at the University of Lucerne are very interesting very interactive as well. The teachers are all highly qualified and very eager to build a rapport with the students and be of as much help as they possibly can. The assessment can happen in various ways, either through essays, written/oral exams, participation in class and attendance or a combination of these components. The amount of required credits depends on each student's own home university.</p>
<p>Assistance at the university Student advisors, Mobility Office, mentors, contact with other students</p>	<p>Assistance at the university was guaranteed through all possible channels and everyone here took really good care of all the exchange students.</p>
<p>Budgeting Living costs, study material, money transfer</p>	<p>The living costs can be a bit overwhelming but in the end it is all worth it.</p>

Living/ leisure Meeting places, sports, culture	Lucerne is a great place for an exchange student, especially if one comes here for the spring semester (and perhaps even more so during the winter semester for those who can ski very well). There is no way one can get bored here. There is huge potential for entertainment and activities and opportunities to cater for everyone's taste.
Comparison What is better/ worse at the University of Lucerne compared to your home university?	