

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	PARTNERSHIP
Home university	Doshisha University (Kyoto, Japan)
Field of study	Law
Semester	Fall term 2012 and Spring term 2013.
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General impression Please describe your stay in 4-5 sentences	I had a great time in Switzerland for one year. Luzern is a beautiful city and nice location for traveling in Switzerland. I could meet so many nice people here. Swiss people are so kind.
Entry/ arrival in Switzerland Immigration formalities, visa	I didn't need a visa, but had to apply to immigration office for the residential permit by myself.
Searching for rooms/ accommodation Experiences and useful addresses	I lived in a student house in Emmenbrücke (address: Gerliswilstrasse 10, 6020 Emmenbrücke Switzerland). This student house is nice, but a little bit old. In Luzern there is a new student house.
Public transportation Train, bus, accessibility of university buildings	From the student house in Emmenbrücke, I could go to UNILU by train or bus. When I could take a train from Emmenbrücke to Luzern, it takes around 5 minutes, and when I could catch a bus, it takes approx. 20 minutes from the nearest bus stop (Emmenbaum). If walking to UNILU, it takes about an hour.
Prearrangements Registration for courses, language tests, academic records	In the Faculty of Law, most of courses, especially about Swiss law, are held in German, but there are of course some courses held in English. Course registration is so simple.
Information on university Location, size, infrastructure	UNILU locates by the Luzern station. From the Luzern station, just a few minutes on foot. UNILU is not big, but the building is quite new, and infrastructure is nice.
Studying at the university Content of lectures, credits, assessments	Most of courses in master are small one. So basically, students speak out positively at the lecture. My courses had oral exams after the semesters.
Assistance at the university Student advisors, Mobility Office, mentors, contact with other students	My mentor was so kind and helped me a lot with finding Tandem-Partner especially.
Budgeting Living costs, study material, money transfer	In my case, it costs approx. CHF 1,000 per month. As necessary cost, CHF 594 for accommodation, CHF 50 for monthly pass for public transportation, CHF 84 for insurance.
Living/ leisure Meeting places, sports, culture	UNILU has sports facilities, which students can use. Around Luzern there are so many nice mountains, so you can enjoy winter sports there.
Comparison What is better/ worse at the University of Lucerne compared to your home university?	UNILU is smaller than my home university. My courses are small size, so I could have more opportunities to communicate with other students and professors.