

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	China University of Political Science and Law
Field of study	Economics
Semester	Fall term 2012
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General impression Please describe your stay in 4-5 sentences	Switzerland is a fabulous country for photographing. Cities here are not big but very delicate, and the price level here is really impressive as well. Swiss people are nice and kind, although sometimes people only speak German but they are still willing to help.
Entry/ arrival in Switzerland Immigration formalities, visa	Schengen Visa is required for Chinese. After arriving there are a lot of stuff regarding the Swiss permit you have to do. Health insurance is compulsory here, and I recommend you buy it in your home country before you came.
Searching for rooms/ accommodation Experiences and useful addresses	I stayed in a friend's house whom I know before I came.
Public transportation Train, bus, accessibility of university buildings	Transportation is really punctual in Switzerland. And the university is right next to the train station.
Prearrangements Registration for courses, language tests, academic records	There are not many economic courses in English provided, especially for bachelors, so I took three master courses.
Information on university Location, size, infrastructure	The university is quite small but well equipped. I like the library very much especially for the closed-door self studying area. You can always go there if you need quiet environment.
Studying at the university Content of lectures, credits, assessments	As I mentioned I took 3 master courses as a bachelor student. They are quite well organized and professors are really helpful. All the classes I took were lectures so there weren't many assignments during the semester, but you have to be well prepared for the final exam.
Assistance at the university Student advisors, Mobility Office, mentors, contact with other students	The student advisors and mobility office have been very helpful in providing all the necessary support and more. And they also arranged some activities for exchange students to get together.
Budgeting Living costs, study material, money transfer	The living cost here for a student is almost as 5 times as in Beijing, but it's basically because of the high rent here. You shouldn't worry about the food cost as I find it acceptable if you cook at home by yourself. And it's easy to withdraw with a Chinese bank account as you can find almost on every ATM Unionpay is available.

Living/ leisure Meeting places, sports, culture	The university provides a lot of free sports course and you should really make good use of that.
Comparison What is better/ worse at the University of Lucerne compared to your home university?	In comparison to my home university CUPL, here in Lucerne University I could get the full attention of the professor because of the small size of the class, which provides you more chances to communicate and solving questions.