

## 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).

<b>Mobility Program</b>	<b>PARTNERSHIP</b> (outside Europe)
<b>Home university</b>	Singapore Management University
<b>Semester</b>	Fall term 2015
<b>Field of study</b>	Law, Bachelor
<b>Name and E-Mail</b> (optional)	

<b>General impression</b> Please describe your stay in 4-5 sentences	The experience was a satisfying one, with plenty of chances to
<b>Entry/ arrival in Switzerland</b> Immigration formalities, visa	The required formalities were admittedly somewhat troublesome in settling, but the university's guidance helped to make things a lot easier.
<b>Searching for rooms/ accommodation</b> Experiences and useful addresses	No issues here, with the university partnered hostel being available.
<b>Public transportation</b> Train, bus, accessibility of university buildings	Public transportation in Switzerland is top-notch, and most places can be easily reached by either the train or bus. The university is conveniently located next to the main station in Lucerne, which is about 10 minutes away from the student accommodation.
<b>Prearrangements</b> Registration for courses, language tests, academic records	Course registration was straightforward, with the relevant information being given upon arrival.
<b>Information on university</b> Location, size, infrastructure	The main building of the university is located next to the Lucerne main station, although parts of the campus are spread out across the city. The entire campus is probably not as big as other universities, but the facilities are easily comparable to most others. Next to the main building is the Lucerne Lake, which offers a good spot to either have a meal, drink, or simply just to admire the view.
<b>German course at the university</b> „German Short Course“ visited? Content of course, usage	N/A
<b>Studying at the university</b> Content of lectures, credits, assessments	The university offered courses held in English which, despite it not being an official language in Switzerland, were nevertheless clear and informative. The lessons were easy to follow, and the assessment methods varied greatly from professor to professor. Something interesting which most might be unfamiliar with is the “oral exam”, which replaces the standard written final exam (for selected courses), in the form of a conversation with the instructor.
<b>Assistance at the university</b> Student advisors, Mobility Office, mentors, contact with other students	The support team was extremely helpful, and was ready to assist us with any concerns we had. They were also proactive in organizing trips and events for us to take part in, and showed us many different aspects of Swiss culture we would otherwise miss out on.
<b>Budgeting</b> Living costs, study material, money transfer	Studying in Switzerland requires either deep pockets or careful budgeting. With costs being generally more expensive than other places, cooking your own meals would definitely be a must. Study materials are generally affordable, and should not be of

	much concern.
<b>Living/ leisure</b> Meeting places, sports, culture	Those interested in sports will be glad to know that the university offers a wide range of sports activities.
<b>Comparison</b> What is better/ worse at the University of Lucerne as compared to your home university?	The academic rigor at the University of Lucerne was not as intense as back home (which is not necessarily a bad thing), but in turn this allowed us students to be able to balance both school and leisure much more easily.
<b>Reasons</b> For what reasons are you aiming for a mobility period at the University of Lucerne?	I initially decided on Lucerne due to its central location in Europe, which made travelling around much more convenient. Travelling within Switzerland is also rather convenient, with the city being close to many other major cities.
<b>Duration</b> If you look back, was the duration of your stay for mobility	Too short