



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	University of Windsor
Semester	Fall term 2016
Field of study	Masters of Law
Name and E-Mail (optional)	

<p>General impression Please describe your stay in 4-5 sentences</p>	<p>Completing an international study exchange at the University of Lucerne has been the best experience of my life. The opportunity exposed me to areas of the law, which I found interesting and had not considered before. Studying and living in Lucerne was also very convenient as it is quite central to Switzerland and Europe.</p> <p>Despite not speaking German, I was able to enjoy myself and be quite mobile through the country.</p>
<p>Entry/ arrival in Switzerland Immigration formalities, visa</p>	<p>The process of attaining a Swiss residence permit was quite ambiguous and therefore problematic. Unfortunately, it took a very long time before the immigration office issued me a permit. Until then, there was nothing I could do – I was only able to purchase a ‘temporary visa’, which cost additional fees.</p>
<p>Searching for rooms/ accommodation Experiences and useful addresses</p>	<p>The residence at Gerliswilstrasse was remote from the University and Lucerne. It may also be quite noisy due to a bus stop directly beneath the residence.</p> <p>I would recommend the residence install lights to illuminate the area behind the building.</p> <p>Gerliswilstrasse was a wonderful residence to meet many other exchange students, but in my opinion the residence at Steinhofstrasse was much more comfortable, central and did not require taking trains to school.</p>
<p>Public transportation Train, bus, accessibility of university buildings</p>	<p>Incredible. SBB is a fantastic transportation provider – busses and trains</p>
<p>Prearrangements Registration for courses, language tests, academic records</p>	<p>Very amazing.</p>
<p>Information on the university Location, size, infrastructure</p>	<p>Lovely new building with many great facilities – library and cafeteria are spectacular.</p>
<p>German course at the university “German Short Course“ visited? Content of course, use?</p>	<p>Yes. Good introduction to the German language.</p>
<p>Studying at the university Content of lectures, credits, assessments</p>	<p>Spectacular – courses and content offered was very strong. Knowledgeable and highly qualified professors. Assessment forms were very appropriate.</p>
<p>Assistance at the university Mobility Coordinator, International</p>	<p>Good assistance provided, but mentoring and student advisor program could be strengthened.</p>

Relations Office, student advisors, mentors, contact with other students	I was unable to meet with my mentor once.
Budgeting Living costs, study material, money transfer	Switzerland is expensive – there is no denying this fact. However, study material was very affordable. Plenty of banks available to make Swiss banking hassle-free.
Living/ leisure Meeting places, sports, culture	N/A
Comparison What is better/ worse at the University of Lucerne as compared to your home university?	N/A
Reasons Why did you choose to complete an exchange semester at the University of Lucerne?	The students from my home university who studied at the University of Luzern during the previous year all highly recommended the experience. I chose to participate in the exchange because I did not think I would ever have the opportunity to live in Switzerland and I did not regret my decision. The friendships formed, mountains hiked, classes taken were all fabulous and I will recommend the University of Luzern as a premier exchange destination for considering students.
Duration Looking back, was the duration of your stay here:	Just right