



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	Ewha Womans University
Semester	Fall term 2016
Field of study	Social and Communication Sciences, Bachelor
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<p>General impression Please describe your stay in 4-5 sentences</p>	<p>Spending six months in Switzerland has been exciting since preparing for the exchange. It was a really interesting experience to meet new people in a new environment and start a new study. During six months, I could learn the culture, the leisure time, and the various experiences. I can confidently say that it was a good choice for myself considering the exchange.</p>
<p>Entry/ arrival in Switzerland Immigration formalities, visa</p>	<p>It takes a lot of time to come to Switzerland from Korea. It is good to check the flight ticket and early booking is advisable. Also, in order to live in Switzerland for a semester, you must first get a visa in Korea. Student should apply the visa as soon as possible because there are a lot of documents for visa and it will take a lot of time. Even after the entry, students should go to the immigration office for the document. So it is good to prepare the copies of documents in advance like passport, ID card and so on.</p>
<p>Searching for rooms/ accommodation Experiences and useful addresses</p>	<p>In my case, I stayed in Emmen, and many exchange students stay in this building, so I have many opportunities to interact with friends from other university, and friends from other country. Sometimes we share our traditional food with each other or have parties together. From University, it takes 4~50minutes by walk and just 1 station by train. It is convenient to use transportation because it is close to station and bus stop. Moreover, it takes 3 minutes by walk to Lidl so it is easy to shop the groceries.</p>
<p>Public transportation Train, bus, accessibility of university buildings</p>	<p>In Switzerland, you can use bus, train, tram and during staying in Emmen, I took the Emmen-Lucerne train the most. It is good to buy the monthly pass during the semester. In addition Halfpass Card is a good way to get a discount every time you buy a ticket. If you are going to travel Switzerland, it is good to buy the Gleis 7 card. From 7pm to next morning (until the first train), you can take all the trains for free. To make these cards, you need a picture of your passport.</p>
<p>Prearrangements Registration for courses, language tests, academic records</p>	<p>Unlike Korea, the registration for courses is quite easy. You can take the courses after reading syllabus carefully because you don't have to compete for the courses. However, in case of the communication study, there is no English class so if you don't speak German it is better to reconsider the exchange.</p>
<p>Information on the university Location, size, infrastructure</p>	<p>The University is located right next to Lucerne Station. The building is new, and clean. It is convenient to use a large library on the 2nd floor. A restaurant on the 1st floor is a good place to meet people, and you can take various sports classes at the basement floor.</p>
<p>German course at the university "German Short Course" visited? Content of course, use?</p>	<p>The German language class is required based on the level that you wrote at the application. However, it may be helpful to study before the lesson, since the lessons are taught in German according to the professor. It is not only time to learn German, but also the time to meet other exchange students and get useful information.</p>

<p>Studying at the university Content of lectures, credits, assessments</p>	<p>In my case, I took one lecture, but I took a political class because I couldn't take the course of communication study in English. It's different from Korea that there are a lot of lecture in Korea, but there are a lot of Seminar in Switzerland. But I could communicate with professor actively in Lecture and the course was interactive.</p>
<p>Assistance at the university Mobility Coordinator, International Relations Office, student advisors, mentors, contact with other students</p>	<p>From International Relations Office, you can get assistance and useful information for school life. Also, it is recommended that you check the e-mail frequently cause you can find various information from student association or event mails.</p>
<p>Budgeting Living costs, study material, money transfer</p>	<p>If you have lived in front of your university in Seoul, you can see that the price of housing is similar or a little expensive than Korea. In the case of living expenses, the price of meals is quite expensive, so if you decide to cook your own meals, you won't be spending big amounts of money. However, I recommend to refrain from shopping.</p>
<p>Living/ leisure Meeting places, sports, culture</p>	<p>In Switzerland, you can enjoy various tourist attractions and sports. I didn't like sports, but I climbed a lot of beautiful mountains of Switzerland. In winter, we can enjoy winter sports such as skiing and snowboarding.</p>
<p>Comparison What is better/ worse at the University of Lucerne as compared to your home university?</p>	<p>First, there are many Seminars in Switzerland so you can take different style-courses. You can also take various sports classes by free so make your afternoon time useful. However, Compared to Ewha Womans University, there are quite small amount of convenience facilities in university.</p>
<p>Reasons Why did you choose to complete an exchange semester at the University of Lucerne?</p>	<p>My priority was to meet various people, to study new subjects, and to travel many countries. Switzerland is the center of Europe, which borders France, Italy, Austria, and Germany. I wanted to meet various students of various countries in the center, and have diverse experiences to travel other countries. And in University of Lucerne, there is communication study which is my major. (but actually I couldn't take that courses.)</p>
<p>Duration Looking back, was the duration of your stay here:</p>	<p> <input type="checkbox"/> too short <input type="checkbox"/> too long <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> just right Six months is quite short, but everything I've felt and learned during that time is invaluable. I wish I could spend more time in Switzerland, but I think I should go back to Korea to finish my remaining studies. </p>