

Final Report on your Study Exchange at the University of Lucerne

Please write the report (max. 2 pages) in complete sentences (no keywords).

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Mobility Program	<input type="checkbox"/> SEMP (Erasmus inside Europe) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PARTNERSHIP (outside Europe)
Home university	National Law Institute University, Bhopal
Semester	Spring Semester, 2018
Field of study	Law Study level? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bachelor <input type="checkbox"/> Master
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General impression Please describe your stay in 4-5 sentences	Such an experience shall always be dearly treasured by me.
Entry/arrival in Switzerland Immigration formalities, visa, health insurance	I arrived to Switzerland with an Indian passport. Before two months of the arrival, I sought the Swiss visa, which I was easily granted due to the detailed instructions from the University of Lucerne. On arrival, the immigration formalities were minor. The Swisscare health insurance was very economical and ensured a good protection.
Searching for rooms/ accommodation Experiences and useful addresses	The stay in Lucerne was extraordinarily comfortable. I was allotted the Juwo residence in tie-up with the University. I loved the accommodation and the diversity among the students who stayed with me during the course of my semester.
Public transportation Train, bus, accessibility of university buildings	The University is located just 2 minutes away from both the train station and the bus stand. It was really easy to access the University premises. In general, the public transport in Switzerland is commendable, with services being punctual and comfortable.
Prearrangements Registration for courses, academic records	The registrations for courses was the easiest of all tasks. It was merely through a click that a registration could be done. Moreover, there was a chance to try courses to determine interest in them before actually taking an exam in the same.
Information on the university Location, size, infrastructure	The location of the University was right next to the railway station, making it extremely accessible. The University is not as big in size but contains all the essential elements in the form of classes, seminar rooms etc. Additionally, the infrastructure of the University is modern and quite attractive with modern settings within classes and corridors.
German course at the University "German Short Course" and/or A1 German Course visited? Content of course, use?	The basic German course offered to the foreign exchange students was very interesting and value-adding. I learned common German phrases and words necessary for general conversation with people in Lucerne. Though people generally speak and understand English, it is always a great thing to know the natively spoken language.
Studying at the university Content of lectures, credits, assessments	Many of my courses focused around law and technology as this field has seen a tremendous growth over the past few years. I took up 27 credits in all and the same did not prove to be too difficult to manage. The assessments at the end of the courses were very interesting.
Assistance at the university International Relations Office,	Let me just begin by saying that people in Switzerland are extremely helpful. So was the case with the people in the University. The responsible for international students

student advisors, mentors, contact with other students	from the International Relations Office guided me throughout my stay in Lucerne. The mentors could be approached at any time and were generally very accommodating. Ultimately, I made good friends with some Swiss students whom I could ask for help whatsoever.
Budgeting Living costs, study material, money transfer	The living cost was a little towards the upper side but considering the "Swiss prices", it felt justified. Most of my courses involved online material and thus, I did not spend as much on study material. The money transfer from my home bank was quick and I did not encounter any problems associated with the same.
Living/ leisure Meeting places, sports, culture	I maintain till date that the lake in Lucerne is one of the best places to hang out ever. The public parks are equipped with grills, which can be used to enjoy a beautiful barbeque evening. I played a lot of football at the parks and in the University linked sport arenas. Finally, city's culture was very vibrant as evident in the annual carnival and in their general sense of accommodation.
Comparison What is better/ worse at the University of Lucerne as compared to your home university?	I think that the things better at the University of Lucerne are the digital study environment with the help of OLAT, block courses and the personal relationship with professors.
Reasons Why did you choose to complete an exchange semester at the University of Lucerne?	The University being relatively new in nature has to offer from a range of new courses dedicated towards law and technology, which are not usually taught elsewhere. This was one of the primary considerations to join the University for the exchange semester <u>apart from the beautiful place that Switzerland is.</u>
Duration Looking back, was the duration of your stay here:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> too short <input type="checkbox"/> too long <input type="checkbox"/> just right