

Experience Report InterAct

Study abroad at Ostfalia Hochschule

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What can I say about my experience in Germany?

First, it was very different from other experiences I've heard of people in the same situation I was, I believe that this ERASMUS experience, in terms of things I learn at the university, was more focused on the practical knowledge that I will use in my future, and I think that is a very good thing that it is different from Portugal.

The time I spent in Suderburg help me develop my skills in foreign languages, mainly English but still I've learn the basic expressions in German which help me a lot in different situations where people could not speak English.

Even with the days that I had lessons, the free time I had was a lot, so I had to plan some stuff to do... I travelled a lot, I think that I got to know all of Germany, at least all the big cities. I travelled to a lot of cities in Europe, and I can honestly tell that those trips were one of the best experiences I had in my life. I also join the football, the volleyball, and the basketball teams in Suderburg, if can call them that, it was very funny to be part of those groups as I got know a lot of different people from different places.

What can I tell about the professors at the university? They were very flexible in terms of schedule, which came as a surprise, because that doesn't happen here in Portugal. The professors were always available to help us at any time and I think that is a very good thing, because we were not accustomed to the culture there, the differences between the two countries, and the professors made us feel like that was like a "second home" to us.

To finish of the report, I just want to say that I hope I can return to Germany, whether it is on vacation or work or even to study some more, because I can honestly say that this was a very good time for me in my life and recommend everyone to do something like this is, as this is a once in a lifetime experience.