

## Master data

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Stay until: <b>01.02.2017</b>	Email: [REDACTED]

## Services rendered by the Frankfurt University

<p>a) Service of the International Office</p> <p>b) Service of the Department (Fachbereich)</p> <p>c) Please comment: What was good? How can the International Office / the Department improve their services in regard to the exchange programme?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Sehr zufrieden   <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> zufrieden   <input type="checkbox"/> unzufrieden   <input type="checkbox"/> sehr unzufrieden</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sehr zufrieden   <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> zufrieden   <input type="checkbox"/> unzufrieden   <input type="checkbox"/> sehr unzufrieden</p> <p><b>We were sent from office to office, because the responsible person was unknown or the communication between responsible workes was not good.</b></p>
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## Personal and linguistic preparation

<p>a) How well were you prepared linguistically for your exchange stay?</p> <p>b) What was your language level in the working language?</p> <p>c) Did you take any preparatory language classes?</p> <p>d) Did the partner university provide language classes?</p> <p>e) How well were you able to follow classes linguistically at the partner institution?</p> <p>f) Please comment: Which language did you use? / Did you use, learn, or improve any other languages? / How did you communicate with your fellow students?</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> sehr gut   <input type="checkbox"/> gut   <input type="checkbox"/> schlecht   <input type="checkbox"/> sehr schlecht</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A2   <input type="checkbox"/> B1   <input type="checkbox"/> B2   <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C1   <input type="checkbox"/> C2   <input type="checkbox"/> Muttersprachler</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Ja während des Semesters   <input type="checkbox"/> Ja einen Intensivkurs an der FRA-UAS   <input type="checkbox"/> Ja einen Intensivkurs im Zielland</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ja während des Semesters   <input type="checkbox"/> Ja einen Intensivkurs   <input type="checkbox"/> Ja beide Arten   <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> sehr gut   <input type="checkbox"/> gut   <input type="checkbox"/> schlecht   <input type="checkbox"/> sehr schlecht</p> <p><b>I used english and also communicated with fellow students in english. I improved my scientific english and learned some Slovene.</b></p>
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## Accommodation

<p>a) Did the host university arrange for accommodation?</p> <p>b) How high were your overall monthly costs for accommodation (in Euro)?</p> <p>c) How would you describe the quality of your accommodation?</p> <p>d) How well was the accommodation situated? How long did it take you on average to reach the partner university (in minutes)?</p> <p>e) Which web sites, forums, facebookpages, contacts, etc. can you recommend for looking for accommodation?</p> <p>f) Please comment: Where have you been accommodated (name of dormitory, location, part of town, etc.)? How would you describe the surroundings of your accommodation (shopping facilities, distance to the city center, nightlife, etc.)?</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ja in einem Wohnheim <input type="checkbox"/> Ja eine privat vermietete Unterkunft <input type="checkbox"/> Nein die Möglichkeit bestand nicht</p> <p><b>320</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> sehr gut <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> gut <input type="checkbox"/> schlecht <input type="checkbox"/> sehr schlecht</p> <p><b>My accomodation was quite far in terms of Ljubljanas smallness. I needed to drive 25 minutes with a bike to university and if I would have taken the bus it would have taken 40 minutes.</b></p> <p><b>housinganywhere, facebook ljubljana erasmus page</b></p> <p><b>I have been accomodated in private housing 20 minutes by bike from the city centre in Kodeljevo. Most students are located closer to the city centre. If I would have the chance again to choose an accomodation I would have chosen an accomodation closer to the city centre. Though shopping possibilites and bus stops were really close.</b></p>
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## Arrival at the Partner University and Orientation

<p>a) Was an orientation program organized for incoming exchange students?</p> <p>b) Were you informed about organizational issues such as visa, insurances, class registration, setting up of e-mail accounts, etc.?</p> <p>c) Did the host university offer activities for exchange students throughout the semester?</p> <p>d) Judging from your experience, which is the best arrival time?</p> <p>e) Please comment: How did you organize your arrival? / Was the extent of the orientation program sufficient? Were all important questions answered? What did you have to find out yourself? / How fast were you able to get in contact with the domestic students? / How were the services for exchange students?</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ja sehr ausführlich <input type="checkbox"/> Ja eher oberflächlich <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>If you have no accomodation yet, a couple of weeks before the orientation week starts, because living space for students is rare in Ljubljana. If you already have accomodation best to arrive is a couple of days before the orientation week is starting to already organize the student boni system and so on.</b></p> <p><b>I already arrived some days before the orientation week to organize some things before. But it is actually not nessesary. Enough information is given on the orientation week.</b></p>
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## Living Abroad

a) Did you open a bank account abroad?

Ja das war notwendig  Ja das war praktischer  No

b) Compared to Frankfurt, how high was the cost of living abroad?

Höher mehr als 200%  Höher ca. 200%  Höher ca. 150%  Ähnlich wie in Frankfurt  Geringer ca. 75%  Geringer ca. 50%  Geringer weniger als 50%

c) Did the host university provide discounted/free public transportation?

Yes  No

d) Have you received AuslandsBAFöG?

Yes  No

f) Which supermarkets, stores, forums can you recommend to lower expenses?

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f) Please comment: What additional expenses did you have during your semester abroad? / How far were you able to travel with your semester ticket? / How was your student life off-campus? / How were the mensas/ student cafeterias? What types of meals were served? How much did the meals cost? / How were the libraries? Was their use free? / Did the university provide computer workplaces/ computer pools? Was Wi-Fi available on-campus? / Were you able to use study rooms? Were you able to rent separate rooms for studying? / Did the university provide a sports program? Was this free of charge?

**I didn't use the semester ticket because I only used a bike, since Ljubljana is quite small. A great thing is the student boni sytem. Since Ljubljana has no mensas with cheaper food for student, they organized a discounts for restaurants. With 30 coupons each month students get discounts of around 3 euro in a restaurant. So at the most restaurants you pay from 1 to 4 euros for a meal. In addition to that, you always get a salat and a soup. So the whole student life was arragned around going to restaurants with friends. Students can use a lot of differnet libraries after they payed some small amount of money to get registered. I did not make use of computer pools. There is always free wi-fi on the campuses I used. I did not make use of study rooms. And university sport programm is for free as long as you singed in on the right time.**

## Studying at the Host University

a) How satisfied were you with classes at the host university?

Sehr zufrieden  zufrieden  unzufrieden  sehr unzufrieden

b) How would you describe the academic standard of classes compared to Frankfurt?

Sehr viel anspruchsvoller  Etwas anspruchsvoller  Ähnlich wie in Frankfurt  Etwas einfacher  Sehr viel einfacher

c) Did you experience any difference in teaching methods/ class structure? / Which were the difference regarding your expectations and your experiences at the partner university? What surprised you, what should newly arriving students know? / How were the student services? / Was the fact, that you were an exchange student taken into account (by professors or other staff)? If so, how? / How were difficulties, which you or other exchange students may have met, handled by the partner university?

**I needed to have 7 courses to get the 30 credit points. And these 7 courses varied in their difficulty. But most of the courses had a higher workload as a course in Frankfurt would have with 4 credit points. So I had to study twice as hard as in Frankfurt to get the same amount of credit points. Many students criticised that. And some professors and courses were highly unstructured which was really confusing most of the time. But one good thing is the deadlines for courses could be discussed with professors and I learned a lot at the end.**

**Final Remarks**

a) How satisfied were you with your stay abroad?

Sehr zufrieden  zufrieden  unzufrieden  sehr unzufrieden

b) Which skills were you able to develop during your stay abroad?

**Organizing study life and free time on my own. Academic english. Study hard.**

c) Given the same circumstances, would you repeat your stay abroad?

Yes  No

d) Please comment: What should future exchange students know/ do/ avoid? / How would you overall rate your exchange experience? / In what ways have you benefitted academically, personally, linguistically for your future career?

**Students should know to only take courses which are recommended as easy ones by the coordinator because students have to take a lot of courses anyway to get 30 credit points. I would do the semester all over again, but not because of the university but because of the country and it's wildness and beauty and because of the people I met. And even though studying was really hard for me I learned for the first time how to organize my study life for my own. And I learned how to get out of the Social Work bubble in Frankfurt. My academic english and my essay writing skills have improved a lot.**

**Additional page:**

Please complete the following sentence: My exchange semester will remain unforgettable because...

**of the beautiful country, the awesome people I met and the hard time I had to study.**

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