

## Master data

Last name: [REDACTED]	Date of birth: [REDACTED]
Program: <b>Erasmus (SMS)</b>	Study field: <b>Soziale Arbeit: transnational</b>
Home institution: <b>FRANKFU04</b>	Host institution: <b>MARSEIL84</b>
Academic year: <b>2016/2017</b>	Stay from: <b>08.01.2017</b>
Stay until: <b>15.07.2017</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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sehr zufrieden   <input 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>I was totally happy with the service from International Office! Thank you Anna Sancillo! The service of the Department could be improved to prepare the stay in Marseille. But know that they are currently working on it.</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 type="checkbox"/> sehr gut   <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> gut   <input type="checkbox"/> schlecht   <input type="checkbox"/> sehr schlecht</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A2   <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> B1   <input type="checkbox"/> B2   <input 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 type="checkbox"/> sehr gut   <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> gut   <input type="checkbox"/> schlecht   <input type="checkbox"/> sehr schlecht</p> <p><b>I spoke all the time French, in the beginning it was difficult but I could feel that i got easier each day.</b></p>
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## Accommodation

a) Did the host university arrange for accommodation?

Ja in einem Wohnheim  Ja eine privat vermietete Unterkunft  Nein die Möglichkeit bestand nicht

b) How high were your overall monthly costs for accommodation (in Euro)?

**400 (shared flat in city center)**

c) How would you describe the quality of your accommodation?

sehr gut  gut  schlecht  sehr schlecht

d) How well was the accommodation situated? How long did it take you on average to reach the partner university (in minutes)?

**The university provides places in a student house, next to the faculty which is not in the city center. I decided search a flat independently in the city center. To go to the university takes 40 min. with public transport but they are different places to study in Marseille, so it depends to which institute you go.**

e) Which web sites, forums, facebookpages, contacts, etc. can you recommend for looking for accommodation?

**To find a shared flat: la carte des colocs and le bon coin**

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.)?

**I lived in the 5. Arrondissement à Marseille. Very nice place , lots of bars, cafés, supermarkets....**

## Arrival at the Partner University and Orientation

a) Was an orientation program organized for incoming exchange students?

Yes  No

b) Were you informed about organizational issues such as visa, insurances, class registration, setting up of e-mail accounts, etc.?

Ja sehr ausführlich  Ja eher oberflächlich  No

c) Did the host university offer activities for exchange students throughout the semester?

Yes  No

d) Judging from your experience, which is the best arrival time?

**It is the best when you arrive in September. ( I arrived in January )**

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?

**There are direct trains between Frankfurt and Marseille. To organize your studies you have to meet with mrs. Alexandra Schleyer Lindenmann and Mr. Amraoui. They will help you to organize everything.**

## 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?

Super U or Lidl

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?

The public transport costs ca. 1.10euro or ca. 36euro per month. You dont have a semester ticket provided by the fac. Or you buy a bike at the site le bon coin. The supermarket and the bars are more expensive than in Germany. But of course the living costs depend how you live...In Marseille you can find many interesting things as dance, as théâtre classes, music... The mensa doesn't have the best food, it is difficult to find vegetarian food. A meal cost 3.50euro. But mostly you find microwaves to heat up your own food. I did not study in the bibliothèque of the faculty , I went to the bibliothèque Alcazar in the city center, there a nice and calm working places. You can buy a card for one year, around 5euro.

## 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 had the impression that the quality of every class depend on the teacher. Sometimes there was place for discussions, but mostly we had no discussions. The teacher is talking about a topic and the students take notes. Media is not so much used. But if you are interested in more details about a topic you can always ask the teacher to send you his/her notes or further informations. The teachers were very welcoming.

**Final Remarks**

<p>a) How satisfied were you with your stay abroad?</p> <p>b) Which skills were you able to develop during your stay abroad?</p> <p>c) Given the same circumstances, would you repeat your stay abroad?</p> <p>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?</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sehr zufrieden   <input type="checkbox"/> zufrieden   <input type="checkbox"/> unzufrieden   <input type="checkbox"/> sehr unzufrieden</p> <p><b>I learned to organize my studies myself and to define the topics which i want to discover for as i studied at three different institutes. I learned to define goals personally for me and for my learning experience. And I learned to express myself in a foreign language. I broaded my horizon by talking to other people and exploring new fields.</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes   <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><b>You should know that you have many possibilities in Marseille. You can take psychology classes, social work classes, théâtre classes, you can make an internship. Ask the responsible persons for help, they are all very nice. I had a very good time, I learned a lot, I met many wonderful people and discovered new projects.</b></p>
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<p>Please complete the following sentence: My exchange semester will remain unforgettable because...</p>	<p><b>I met wonderful people and was part of interesting projects.</b></p>
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