

Personal Report

University of Cadiz - Spain, WiSe 2021/22, 1 Semester FB2 – Mechanical Engineering- Bachelor

Language

Which language did you use? How did you communicate with your fellow students?

Habe mein Spanisch verbessert.

How well were you able to follow classes linguistically at the partner institution? Did the partner university provide language classes?

Ich konnte den Vorlesungen/akademischen Veranstaltungen gut folgen. Es gab keine Sprachkurseangebote an der Gasthochschule.

Accommodation

Did the host university arrange for accommodation? How would you describe the quality of your accommodation?

Nein, die Möglichkeit bestand nicht. Die Qualität der Unterkunft war sehr gut.

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

600€

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

40 Minuten mit ganz schlechter Busverbindung.

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

Whatsapp, Instagram

Where have you been accommodated (name of dormitory, location, part of town, etc.)?

Innenstadt (Altstadt), viele Ausgeh-, sowie Einkaufsmöglichkeiten.

Arrival at the Partner University and Orientation

Which is the best arrival time?

2/3 Wochen vor Semesterbeginn.

How did you organize your arrival? 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?

Man musste sich die Anreise privat mit anderen Leuten organisieren, weil die Busverbindung sehr schlecht war.

Living Abroad

Compared to Frankfurt, how high was the cost of living abroad? What additional expenses did you have during your semester abroad?

Ca. 75% geringer als in Frankfurt. Extraausgaben waren besonders die Transportkosten: 50 Euro im Monat mindestens.

How far were you able to travel with your semester ticket? How were the libraries? Was their use free? Did the university provide computer workplaces/ computer pools? Was Wi-Fi available on-campus? Did the university provide a sports program? Was this free of charge?

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Studying at the Host University

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

Ähnlich wie in Frankfurt.

Did you experience any difference in teaching methods/ class structure? Which were the difference regarding your expectations and your experiences at the partner university?

Sehr unorganisiert, man muss sich schnell mit den neuen Lernmethoden sowie „Tricks/Tips“ auseinandersetzen.

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?

Es wird wenig Rücksicht auf Erasmusstudenten gegeben.

Final Remarks

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?

Unzufrieden. Ich habe Durchhaltevermögen entwickelt. Zukünftige Austauschstudierende sollten sich mit vorherigen UCA-Studenten aussprechen. Der Auslandsaufenthalt hat mich an meine Grenze gebracht aber der Strand war toll!