

Erfahrungsbericht Auslandssemester

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Studiengang an der EUF
European Studies
Fächerkombination(falls BABW)
International Relations and European Studies
Gastland
Tschechische Republik/ Czech Republic
Gasthochschule
Metropolitni Univerzita Praha (Metropolitan University Prague)
Semester im Ausland (z.B. WiSe 2016/17)
WiSe 2018/2019
Dauer des Auslandssemesters (Vorlesungen und Prüfungen)
15.10.2018 – 23.02.2019
Vorbereitung
<p>In advance I strongly recommend you to find the accommodation for your stay, because all the dormitories are always overbooked, while the hotels are expensive. Moreover, it is quite difficult to find something worthy in the social networks. Therefore, try to book a room in the dormitory in advance.</p> <p>In addition, the best way not to forget about all the documents regarding to your exchange semester is to print all the emails about ERASMUS. Before, during and after your stay you should pay attention the Learning Agreement very carefully.</p>
Studium an der Partner-Hochschule (z.B. Vorlesungszeitraum, Unterrichtssprache, Kursangebot, Prüfungsform)
<p><u>Vorlesungszeitraum/Period of lectures:</u> The lectures start after the orientation week and this period of time is very important, as at the beginning you can attend all courses and still have an opportunity to make changes in your Learning Agreement. After the end of all lectures in the end of January begins the exam period.</p> <p><u>Unterrichtssprache/Language of study:</u> All the courses are taught in English.</p> <p><u>Kursangebot/Course offers:</u> As for Faculty of International Relations and European Studies, the courses are focused on different topics and regions of the world. For example, you can choose between "Challenges to American Identity" and "Area Studies: Afghanistan, Pakistan" or "Global Governance".</p>

Prüfungsform/Form of exams: The mark of each course consists of several components (attendance, presentation in class, term paper/essay, mid-term test and final exam). In order to pass the courses you should successfully write the mid-term exam, which takes place after the 6th or 7th week in November, and the final exam. Exams mostly consist of multiple choice questions, open questions and essays on the topics related to the courses. Moreover, the active participation in the class and term papers/additional tasks during the whole period will help to improve your mark.

Das Leben im Gastland (z.B. Wohnen, Einkaufen, Freizeit, Kosten)

Wohnen/Accommodation: try to find the room in the dormitory as it is cheaper and more reliably. As if you rent the room with the help of agency, you will need to pay the commission. The costs of the accommodation is really expensive and varies between 300-500 € only for the room.

Einkaufen/Shopping: The cheapest supermarkets are "Billa", "Albert" and "Penny". The clothes you can buy in the city centers, as the prices are the same everywhere.

Freizeit/Free time: "Prague Castle" is definitely the place you have to visit to explore the history of the city. Also do not forget to go to National Museum. Moreover, Prague is the city of parks, that is why you can spend a lot of free time outside (special attention should be paid to "Vyshegrad"). All the best cafes are located in the city center (Prague 1,2). Do not miss the opportunity to visit the Astronomical Tower, Charles Bridge, Zoo and Biological Garden. Moreover, Prague is closely located to many popular tourist destinations such as Munich, Vienna and Budapest. So, during your winter break or even weekends you can visit these cities too.

Kosten/Prices: The products are really cheap. You can even eat in the cafes instead of buying products. For example, the price for the soup varies between 1,5 - 6 euros, while for beef goulash 4 - 8 €. At the same time chicken breast in the shop costs 2,5€. However, the prices for accommodation are really high. As for famous sightseeing, they have discounts for students.

Praktische Tipps/Fazit

Exchange semester in Prague is unforgettable experience for everyone, who would like to meet people around the world, explore new experiences in the uncommon places and learn more about different cultures during the stay abroad. You will definitely have a great time, but do not forget to:

- Pay attention to the documents regarding your exchange semester (Learning Agreement, Confirmation and etc.);
- Try to find accommodation before you will arrive to Prague;
- Attend the lectures and do all the required tasks in order to pass the exams.

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**Strahov Monastery,
founded in the
XII century**



**Christmas Tree in
December, view from
the Prague
Astronomical Clock**



Charles Bridge and swans



**Vyshegrad,
Basilica of
Sts Peter and Paul**