

Erfahrungsbericht Auslandssemester

ALLGEMEINE DATEN ZUM AUSLANDSSEMESTER

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Studiengang an der EUF B.A. European Cultures and Society

Fach 1 (nur Lehramt-Studierende)

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Gastland Tschechien

Gasthochschule Metropolitní Univerzita Praha

IHRE PERSÖNLICHEN ERFAHRUNGEN

Wie haben Sie sich auf das Auslandssemester vorbereitet? Was sollte bereits im Voraus organisiert werden?

I would highly recommend to organise accommodation in advance. Prague is full with international students and therefore finding an affordable place can get tricky, because many landlords take advantage of the situation and overprice their rooms.

Welche Tipps haben Sie zur umweltfreundlichen An-/Abreise (falls zutreffend)?

Taking the train to Prague from Hamburg only takes around seven hours and if you book a couple of weeks in advance the prices are very fair and can even be completely covered by the green travel bonus, so I would definitely recommend that

Wie haben Sie gewohnt und wie sind Sie an Ihre Unterkunft gekommen (selbst gesucht/von Gasthochschule organisiert, Wohnheim/privat etc.)?

I found my room on Housing Anywhere, because they provide protection against possible fraud. The university in Prague does not offer accommodation but they do recommend places on their website, however I did not feel like they were what I was looking for

Haben Sie Angebote für Incomings genutzt? Wie haben Sie sich anderweitig sozial vernetzt?

Prague has multiple big Erasmus organisations that offer multiple events throughout the semester. I was worried about not finding friends but honestly, in this city I think it's easier to find fellow Erasmus students that are willing to meet new people than to meet locals. There are just so many international students that are also looking to connect.

Waren Sie zufrieden mit der Gastuniversität (Räumlichkeiten, Ansprechpartner*innen, etc.) und dem Kursangebot (Workload etc.)?

The university might sometimes appear more spontaneous and less structured, however, the international office was super helpful and answered mails within minutes. Therefore, I did not encounter any challenges. The work load during the semester is definitely higher than in Flensburg (also because attendance is mandatory in most courses) and some courses were really demanding. Exams however were a lot easier than in Flensburg so passing the courses should not be a problem.

Haben Sie die Landessprache gelernt bzw. wie wichtig war diese Ihrer Ansicht nach für Ihren Aufenthalt?

I did not learn Czech but also felt like it wasn't necessary. Most people here speak English very well and the infrastructure (e.g. the mobile transport app or self check out in supermarkets was available at least in English, often also in German).

Welche interkulturellen Begegnungen/Kompetenzen haben Ihren Aufenthalt geprägt?

I lived with three flatmates from different countries. Also, the people you meet here come from all corners of the world which provided me with many opportunities of intercultural exchange

Welche Perspektiven auf Ihr Gastland/Herkunftsland haben sich verändert - und warum?

Since I already lived in Poland three years ago I knew that most Germans do not have an accurate perception of Eastern Europe and still enforce many stereotypes. This was only further shown by my stay in Prague and travels during that time. It was particularly interesting to take classes that were held from a Czech Perspective (e.g. History of the 20th century or EU and Eastern Neighborhood).

Wie sah Ihr Alltag vor Ort aus? (Freizeit, Einkaufen, Fortbewegung, Inklusion, ...)

It was pretty similar to my life at home. Prague offers a lot of opportunities, even in Winter. Since going out or getting a coffee is generally more affordable than in Germany I was able to live a life full with activities here. It also helps that there are so many Erasmus students here, so something is always happening.

Welche Tipps haben Sie für einen umweltfreundlichen/nachhaltigen Aufenthalt (Projekte, Initiativen, Alltagsleben)?

Use of plastic is still more common, so definitely bring your own shopping bags! Recycling is also not really a thing here, so I recommend buying bottles at Lidl, since they offer recycling (similar to Pfand in Germany).

Wie sind Sie finanziell ausgekommen? Wie hoch waren Ihre Ausgaben für Visum (falls zutreffend), Reise, Unterkunft (pro Monat), Lebenshaltung, Freizeit, weitere Kosten (z.B. Bücher)?

Since I also received support from parents I was pretty financially stable. My room was definitely a little overpriced (700€ a month) and you will be able to find something cheaper. Costs for free time and activities are generally lower than in Germany, so there are quite some possibilities there. So while I wasn't able to save any money I was okay with it as long as you spend it consciously. I would really recommend getting an ISIC card, because it offers many discounts e.g. at restaurants but also at the National Theatre (up to 50%)

Was war Ihre beste, was Ihre schlechteste Erfahrung? Gibt es sonst noch etwas, das Sie gern mitteilen möchten?

I can't name one single experience that stood out as the best, but I do know that I found friends for life and met so many interesting, kind and inspiring people. That alone made it worth it.

Fazit: Würden Sie ein Auslandssemester an Ihrer Gastuniversität empfehlen? Aus welchen Gründen?

Yes. They take really good care of their international students and the professors speak great English. You can also tell it is a private university by how well the lessons are (in most cases) prepared. Communication was easy and I took a lot from the courses, including inspiration for my future path.

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