

Since I was a child, I've always been dreaming to have the opportunity to travel to different countries, try delicious food, meet new people, and hear stories from other cultures. I wanted to learn languages and see sights. At that time I was a child, dreaming of the future, and then bit by bit without realizing the future came and I became one that my past version was dreaming of.

Doing summer school in Flensburg gave me a chance to experience what I have always wished for. Moreover, I had an opportunity to attend interesting workshops, which influenced my professional development. During mobility, I visited schools and observed the teaching process, and had some conversations with working personnel. I heard so many great ideas from students and from teachers that I could not wait until I am done with my studies. I want to grab all the stuff and start educating students, with different teaching methods.

Besides professional development, I realized that this mobility helped me with self-discovery and self-perception, so for people whose life goal is to move forward in life, studying abroad must be included in one's to-do list.

Applying for summer school was not hard. I filled out an application form and attached it to a transcript and a motivation letter, where I expressed why I wanted to participate in this program. Then I received a letter of acceptance and a great journey started.

For students, who are afraid to step into this kind of experience, I would say to get out of their comfort zone, because there are dozens of people working to make them feel comfortable and to create an environment where they would feel like at home or at home-university. There has been no moment when I had no idea what to do. I was always informed about further steps by the coordinator or students. The process of preparation, finding accommodation, or transportation ran smoothly.

To sum up, I would like to mention once more that I have gained lots of knowledge and experience, but besides I manage to meet great people, exchange ideas, and have socialization events with them. So, if you are a student, and you like all these things like me, do not be scared of this challenge, Dive in! Summer school is the thing, one must experience. Don't forget to plan some things beforehand but leave many things unplanned because one cannot imagine how wonderful spontaneous adventures can be.

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