



WUR Goes Abroad

1. Student Information

Field of study in Wageningen	Bsc Bos- en Natuurbeheer (BBN)
Study period exchange (dd/mm/yyyy)	15/08/2022 until 14/12/2022
Country (exchange)	Norway
City (exchange)	Bodø
University (exchange)	Nord University
Faculty (exchange)	Faculty of Biosciences and Aquaculture

2. Motivation for exchange

Why did you choose to go on study exchange?

To test my boundaries and learn to live in abroad. I wanted something new and special to do.

What is the reason you chose for this country/university?

Because Norway is just a very beautiful country.

3. Accessibility to reach destination

Do you have any tips to reach your exchange destination? (E.g. bus, train, etc.)

I recommend going by plane. You will need to fly via Oslo or Bergen, and all in all it will take only about 6/7 hours. You can also go by boat which will take around 20 hours, and train also takes very long.

4. University and studying

Could you provide some general information about the followed courses?

	Course	ECTS	Short description of the contents	Appreciation of course: 1(low) – 5(high)	Remarks
1	Aquaculture	10	Course about fish farms and fish physiology	4	Very good, very nice
2	Oceanography	10	Course about oceanic currents and physics	1	Do not recommend. Very bad course. The teacher has trouble explaining stuff and it's very boring.
3	Aquatic Microbiology	10	Course about water microbes and stuff	3	Pretty good. The teacher is very interesting. It was quite difficult for me though.
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How is the study formalized? (E.g. study forms, academic level, examination, workload, lesson material)

There are exams. The workload was less than in Wageningen.

What is the culture of the university? (E.g. How approachable are the lecturers, engagement with local students? What are the differences with the WUR?)

Very nice and open. Everyone is approachable and there is no barrier between teachers and students

What does the university offer the student additionally? (E.g. Catering, sports facilities, laundry facilities?)

The housing is very well done. There are sports but I did not do that

5. Housing-travelling-living

What are the possibilities for housing? (E.g. Availability to sign up for a room on campus, private rooms, rent rates?)

Housing is very well arranged. Just go to studentinord.no and sign up. All of the buildings and rooms are good so don't worry too much about what you choose. I only do not recommend Flatvold. That's far from uni and also requires a bus to city centre.

What is the culture of the country like? (E.g. Differences with home, local cuisine, habits, manners?)

Norway is not that different from the Netherlands. Just more expensive and less sunlight, but these things are quite easy to get used to so don't worry.

Could you give a general price indication of the place of residence compared to living in Wageningen?

Norway is quite expensive. Some things are cheaper but make sure you have enough money in the bank. No need to get Kroner in cash, everything is paid by card. Also, make sure you have a credit card with you. Many things like bus tickets and tickets to certain activities can only be paid by credit card for some reason.

Could you give some information about public transport infrastructure? (E.g. Cost public transport card, taxi prices, how to travel to the university?)

Well arranged, little bit expensive. I highly recommend getting the monthly pass. You will need the app 'Billet Nordland' to buy tickets. As is said, you will need a credit card for this

6. Free time

What are must-sees in the area? (E.g. nearby destinations, how do you prefer to travel, when to plan?)

Just go outside into the nature and you'll see new stuff everyday.

What does not appear in the travel guide, but is worth a visit?

I did not read the travel guide I think

Do you have general tips and tricks about leisure time (E.g. recommendations for restaurants, going out?)

Go to the Torsdagsquiz in Samfunnet every Thursday! Tiger sushi has lots of good sushi for a good price. My biggest recommendation is the Sauna in the docks. I went there twice a week, so I got a monthly subscription.

7.Challenges & best moment abroad

What was a challenge you have experienced?

Everything went easier than expected

What was your best memory abroad?

Walking up to Hunstadtoppen under the northern lights with good friends

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