



# WUR Goes Abroad

## 1. Student Information

<b>Field of study in Wageningen</b>	Landscape Architecture and Spatial Planning
<b>Study period exchange (dd/mm/yyyy)</b>	01-09-2021 until 31-1-2022
<b>Country (exchange)</b>	Denmark
<b>City (exchange)</b>	Copenhagen
<b>University (exchange)</b>	University of Copenhagen
<b>Faculty (exchange)</b>	Faculty of science

## 2. Motivation for exchange

### Why did you choose to go on study exchange?

I was ready for a new challenge, both in my studies and on personal level. Furthermore, I wanted to improve my English skills.

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

I had been to Copenhagen a few years ago and I really enjoyed the atmosphere in this city. When I saw this university was partnered via Erasmus, and I was excited, especially when I found out I also really liked the courses at University of Copenhagen.

## 3. Accessibility to reach destination

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

I took the train to go to Copenhagen, which was about 10 hours and I would definitely recommend to travel this way! Otherwise, you can also take a direct night Flixbus from Amsterdam.

## 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	Urban Ecosystems: Structures, Functions and Designs	7.5	Course focuses on the role of water in the urban environment	5	
2	Biodiversity in Urban Nature	7.5	Content related to different species, both flora and fauna, living in urban areas	4	
3	Climate Change and Land Use	7.5	This course focuses on forest management and feeding the world in relation to Climate Change	4	
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**How is the study formalized? (E.g. study forms, academic level, examination, workload, lesson material)**

At UCPH you are only able to follow MSc courses, as the BSc courses are in Danish. Therefore, the academic level is quite high I think. However, as this is also the case at WUR, I did not feel I had to work much harder than I did back home. Examination is often in the form of a written assignment and an oral exam. This was new to me, but turned out not to be too difficult.

**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?)**

Lecturers are super open and social, and always willing to help you out. Local students are friendly, but will probably not become your friends as they know each other quite well already.

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

Sports facilities are offered during introduction week. On campus, you can find 15 different student bars, which are the best places to go for a beer with your fellow classmates or friends.

## 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?)**

I found housing via the University (got an offer after I signed up), and I lived together with 4 international roomies in a shared flat. I really enjoyed this place!

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

Danish people are very friendly and everyone speaks English fluently. Therefore, there is no urge to learn Danish. My favorite Danish food were the cinnamon rolls!

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

I payed 630 euros per month, while in Wageningen I pay 360. It is a lot more expensive, but it is also a capital and I lived in a popular neighbourhood. Denmark in general is also a bit more expensive in general. In the end, I think it is worth the price for sure.

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

Everyone in Copenhagen bikes everywhere. So, to travel around the only thing you need is a bike and a OVCARD (rejsekort) in case you want to go outside the city.

## 6. Free time

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

Tripjes die ik heb gedaan misschien nog leuk om te weten:

- Aarhus
- Kliffen ten zuiden van de stad (stevns klint/mons klint)
- Bornholm
- Malmo
- Lapland

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

Copenhill, the Giants, the Cliffs south of the city, the island of Bornholm

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

Eten/drinken

- friday bars op de campussen, studentencafes, vooral aanrader op vrijdag
- Skt peters bageri of meyers bageri voor beste cinnamon rolls
- Brunch/ontbijt/lunch: social, sixteen twelve, gata morgana, darcy's, grød, paludan, mad and kaffe
- Zaggis cafe, studenterhuset en minas kaffebar voor goedkope koffie/cocktails

- urban indian als je van indiaas eten houdt
- In de wijk Norrebro zitten heel erg veel goede en hippe eetplekken sowieso

Uitgaan:

Algemene waarschuwing: je moet bijna altijd in de rij en er is vaak een toegangsprijs

- Irish pub/proud mary (gratis, ook oudere mensen = typische irish pub)
- Vestergade (straat met super veel clubs: Australian bar, la boucherie, torst)
- Chateau motel (2 verschillende verdiepingen met muziek, download membership via hun instalink voor gratis toegang!!)
- sigurdshade (jonge mensen wel en beetje buiten het centrum)
- Bakken, jolene of culture box als je van techno houdt

## 7.Challenges & best moment abroad

**What was a challenge you have experienced?**

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**What was your best memory abroad?**

I enjoyed Copenhagen a lot, especially on sunny days, it is a very calm, happy and beautiful place. My best memories were all the trips I went on!

## 8. Contact details (optional)

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