



# WUR Goes Abroad

## 1. Student Information

<b>Field of study in Wageningen</b>	Msc-Food Safety
<b>Study period exchange (dd/mm/yyyy)</b>	September until Juli
<b>Country (exchange)</b>	Italy
<b>City (exchange)</b>	Bozen-Bolzano
<b>University (exchange)</b>	UNIBZ
<b>Faculty (exchange)</b>	Science and technology but later changed into Faculty of Agriculture, Environmental and Food Sciences

## 2. Motivation for exchange

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

I really wanted to experience how it is to live abroad. I didn't had the chance to do my Erasmus during my bachelor but didn't want to miss the change. So I decided to do it during my masters

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

I really wanted to move to a place where there would be amazing nature for me to discover and where I could have an active lifestyle and could learn a new sport. Together I really wanted to learn more about viticulture and Enology. Bolzano has both, It is in the middle of the alps which is an amazing region with a lot of wineries and a lot of opportunities to go to the mountains.

## 3. Accessibility to reach destination

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

Take the nightjet from Utrecht to Innsbruck, and take from Innsbruck the train to Bolzano

## 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	44655-Vineyard management	3		5	
2	44656-Vineyard mechanization	4		5	
3	44618-Characterization of mountain wines	5		5	
4	44790-Wine Innovation&authenticity	6		5	
5	44726-Cocoa and Coffee fermentations	3		5	
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**How is the study formalized? (E.g. study forms, academic level, examination, workload, lesson material)**

The workload per course differs very much per course. The most are really similar to the level I knew from Wageningen. Only the examination is in my opinion more easygoing. But this can also differ because some examinations were oral other were written and other were in the form of a presentation. Overall the courses all are super nice to follow because a lot of them come with excursions to local wineries

**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?)**

It is really easy to come in contact with other students and lecturers. Everybody is extremely nice and ready to help you when needed.

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

If you are lucky you could get housing via the dorms that are arranged by the province and the university. Furthermore they have the mensa where you can eat for really cheap a good meal in the lunch and dinnertime

## 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?)**

Dorms are 240-300 and privat housing from 450-600

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

It is a really special area where two cultures are forced to live together due to an intense history (worth looking into before you come here!) the cuisine is therefore also a mix between the Italian and Tyrolean cuisine. They speak both languages amazingly well. Overall the people here are super friendly and the university and the city is very international

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

The prices are pretty similar, only the coffee is cheaper

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

I can advise to get a bike for the city! Furthermore traveling to the uni depends on where in the city you live. If you live in what is considered the old city centre you will be at the uni in a 5 minute walk. Otherwise taking a bus or bike is really easy. There is a travel pass that you could arrange which costs 150 euro for a whole year for students. With this card you can also travel through the whole province. Which could bring you also to super beautiful hiking places.

## 6. Free time

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

The Dolomites! It is amazing!

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

Almost everything is in the travel guide, quite a touristic place. But I can definitely advise to go to the other side of the city and walk around a bit in the newer neighbourhoods

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

There is a lot of things happening in this area! A lot of parties and art exhibitions, you just need to find the right people 😊

## 7. Challenges & best moment abroad

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

**What was your best memory abroad?**

## 8. Contact details (optional)

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