

WUR Goes Abroad

1. Student Information

Field of study in Wageningen	Forest and nature conservation		
Study period exchange	1 st of september until 9 th of december		
(dd/mm/yyyy)			
Country (exchange)	France		
City (exchange)	Toulouse		
University (exchange)	Purpan		
Faculty (exchange)	Agriculture		

2. Motivation for exchange

Why did you choose to go on study exchange?

To have a new experiences and go somewhere else on my own.

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

No particular reason, mostly because my first options weren't accepted

3. Accessibility to reach destination

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

Train is very doable and reasonably cheap

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	Winemaking	4	You go through all the steps of winemaking, taste different wines, go to winery's and vineyards and make your own wine.	5	
2	Strategic management	3	Basics of economics	4	
3	GIS	2	Basics of GIS, making maps using data from the internet.	3	
4	Agricultural policies	2	We talk about policies regarding agriculture in different country's but mostly making a presentation about a case in your own country.	3,5	
5	Animal productions	14	Many different courses that are all about animal production. So from meat to milk and cheese. Also about product quality and animal welfare for example. Very interesting courses and nice excursions	4,5	
6	Tutored work in animal productions	2	Make a paper and a presentation on a subject regarding animal productions.	3	

How is the study formalized? (E.g. study forms, academic level, examination, workload, lesson material)

Level is about the same or a bit lower then In Wageningen. Examination differs per course but is every week on Friday. Workload is about the same as Wageningen, lesson material is differs very much per teacher. Every teacher has a lot of freedom to do what they want.

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 very approachable and you get a lot of attention per person because the classes are very small. Engagement with local students is not that much because you are only with internationals in the class and the integration isn't very good at purpan. The culture is a lot more personal and smaller. And there are also party's at the university which are very fun

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

Sports, catering, other activities such as wine tasting and cultural things. But this started for us only after 2 months so we could only do it for the last month. By this time I already had other things to do so I didn't use them.

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?)

Room via the university or private. University is mostly 250 euro's or 500 for the expensive rooms, private is around 500 euros

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

Not that many differences from the Netherlands. Only French people are a little more crazy and they enjoy food and drinks a little more I think.

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

It is a little more expensive in toulouse

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

You can get a student card for all public transport for 11 euros a month

6. Free time

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

Not many must sees. A lot of nice bars and a good night life, the viewing point is very nice too. Metro is always good for public transport

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

No idea

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

Just go with the Erasmus activities and find out what you like yourself. It is different for everyone. Café Populaire was very nice and cheap in my opion.

7. Challenges & best moment abroad

What was a challenge you have experienced?

Bein alone at the beginning.

What was your best memory abroad?

All the trips I made, the nights out, dinners and sports

8. Contact details (optional)

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