



WUR Goes Abroad

1. Student Information

Field of study in Wageningen	Food Technology
Study period exchange (dd/mm/yyyy)	23-1-2023 until 25-5-2023
Country (exchange)	Denmark
City (exchange)	Copenhagen
University (exchange)	DTU
Faculty (exchange)	Food science

2. Motivation for exchange

Why did you choose to go on study exchange?

I wanted to go on exchange to experience the student life at a different university.

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

Copenhagen seemed like a perfect city for me. The food, the Scandinavian lifestyle attracted me. But also the courses were in my field of interest

3. Accessibility to reach destination

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

My parents have brought me with car which was very convenient and fast.

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	Food safety in production chains	10	With group work and lectures, you will examine a specific food product deeply on the possible hazards	5	
2	Producing new sustainable food ingredients - processes and utilizations	5	With the obtained knowledge during lectures, we needed to make four different posters of extracting a food ingredient from waste streams	4	
3	General medical microbiology	5	The course was mainly based on lectures with cases. Different cases were presented and we needed to identify possible pathogens, treatment etc.	4	
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How is the study formalized? (E.g. study forms, academic level, examination, workload, lesson material)

Due to the work-life balance culture of Denmark was the work pressure low. The academic level and exam level were equal. The lectures were very long (4 hours), but manageable due to the breaks.

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?)

Teachers are far more engaged with the students. They know each other and they recognize the strengths and weaknesses of a student. Because of the formal environment, it was easy to discuss matters with a teacher. Also, the courses were much smaller which give more room for in class discussions.

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

The catering of the school was excellent. During lunch, you could get a full healthy meal under 5 euros.

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?)

It is possible to rent a room via BDTU. It is also possible to arrange your own room. The problem with BDTU is that the rooms are expensive and the rental period is definite.

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

Denmark is quite equally to the Netherlands. Only the people are more introverted compared to Dutch people.

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

Double the price as in Wageningen

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

I have lived in Copenhagen. DTU is in Lyngby. During my exchange period, I have used a Swapfiets (24 euro per month) to commute to university (45min). It was also possible to take the bus or train. Public transport is quite expensive, therefore I would recommend to do as much as possible with bike.

6. Free time

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

Explore Copenhagen as much as possible. Also Sweden is very nice to visit and easily accessible with train.

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

All the bakeries and coffee shops.

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

Fabro, Delphine, Hahnemanns Kokken

7.Challenges & best moment abroad

What was a challenge you have experienced?

Living alone in a studio with all the other students living far away (on the campus in Lyngby)

What was your best memory abroad?

The freedom to do whatever I wanted to do, exploring beautiful Copenhagen and the people that I have met.

8. Contact details (optional)

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