



WUR Goes Abroad

1. Student Information

Field of study in Wageningen	Environmental Sciences
Study period exchange (dd/mm/yyyy)	30-01-2023 until 31-05-2023
Country (exchange)	Denmark
City (exchange)	Kongens Lyngby
University (exchange)	Denmarks Technical University
Faculty (exchange)	

2. Motivation for exchange

Why did you choose to go on study exchange?

I wanted to get a different point of view with regards to my study field.

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

The reputation and I was curious about the way of life.

3. Accessibility to reach destination

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

I tried it by train and by airplane. By airplane it went very smooth. However, I would not recommend going by train as it takes a very long time and the trains from Hamburg to Copenhagen are often missing coaches, meaning you have to stand for 5 hours.

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	Introduction to future energy	5	General lectures about the different renewable energy technologies, not too much depth.	4	
2	Introduction to energy analytics	5	Lectures about doing analysis with python through analysing energy prices and bidding strategies.	5	
3	Physics of solar energy and energy storage	5	In depth about solar panels etc. and storage. Also thermodynamics and electrochemistry.	4	
4	General electrical engineering	5	Electrical power networks and how they work. Both AC and DC are discussed. Mostly calculations through practicals etc.	5	
5	SDG Lab	5	Coming up with a business strategy for a concept that has a focus on one or more SDGs. Lectures about business opportunities and strategies.	5	
6	Electrochemical Energy Technologies	5	Thorough discussion of electrochemical concepts with a focus on batteries. Multiple practicals.	4	

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

I feel like the academic level is comparable to WUR. However, oral examinations are more common and almost all the exams are all aid.

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?)

In general lecturers are very approachable, classes are often smaller so there is a lot of engagement with students. It does vary from course to course, though.

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

Catering and kitchen facilities, sports.

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?)

The university's housing organization BDTU takes care of the housing. Chances of getting a room are pretty big, however, it is expensive.

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

Cleaner than NL, love for cooking, mostly pastries. Very polite and friendly.

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

6250 DKK = 850 eur.

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 buy a public transport card for 80 DKK, the minimum amount on the card needs to be 70 DKK. General public transport prices are quite low, starting from 3eur for a one-way ticket. I rented a bike, as it is a very bike friendly country. My room was close to uni, so I travelled by bike (2 min).

6. Free time

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

I went to Copenhagen often by bus, there are the general tourist attractions, but also some lesser known neighbourhoods (e.g. Nordhavn) that are quite nice. It is also very close to the sea (10 min bike ride).

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

I would recommend avoiding tourist attractions and just have a walk around, there is beauty everywhere!

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

See above.

7.Challenges & best moment abroad

What was a challenge you have experienced?

It is a very expensive country, so the expenses.

What was your best memory abroad?

Friendliness of the Danish people, and just having chilled out days near the sea.

8. Contact details (optional)

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