



# WUR Goes Abroad

## 1. Student Information

Field of study in Wageningen	BBT
Study period exchange (dd/mm/yyyy)	01/02/2023 until 01/08/2023
Country (exchange)	Denmark
City (exchange)	Lyngby
University (exchange)	DTU
Faculty (exchange)	-

## 2. Motivation for exchange

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

Friends highly recommended it and I wanted to get experience studying abroad.

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

I knew the culture from earlier youth exchanges and the university was highly ranked within my field.

## 3. Accessibility to reach destination

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

See if you can carpool, you can take way more stuff and its fun.

## 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	27455 Microbial adaptation to industrial processes	5	PHD/Master level bioprocess discussion	4	Boring but really smart and open teachers
2	27051 Diversity and application of microorganisms	5	Showcasing the different aspects and uses of microbes with a different lens than WUR	5	Excellent teachers (granddaughter of the guy who invented the GRAM-test)
3	23258 General medical microbiology	5	Going over every possible disease and which microbe causes it	2	Boring teacher and subject (very subjective)
4	42610 Theory of science in engineering	5	Discussing the place of science and engineers in society and some sustainability aspects of technology	3	A bit chaotic as a course
5	27020 Interdisciplinary bioengineering	5	Discussing how 'bio' plays a role in all engineering principles and how it could be used in those cases.	3	It is a new course, wouldn't take it again
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**How is the study formalized? (E.g. study forms, academic level, examination, workload, lesson material)**

Once a week a 4-hour lecture/practical/tutorial, with some minor self-study. All exams were open book, which made the exams themselves less stressful. You did however have many group assignments during the 'normal' study weeks.

**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?)**

Very Danish, so the Danish students are difficult to befriend, but the exchange community is very active and open. People are less used to just hanging out on/around campus than at WUR, but also because the DTU campus is worse. Sports also seemed to be less of a thing.

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

The library has some amazing things, VR headsets, 3D printers etc.

## 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?)**

You can, almost have to, go via BDTU, but those are expensive. On campus is nice for interaction, but really expensive. Looking back, I might make the effort to try private renting, but this is difficult if you're not there yet. Maybe contact the local ESN.

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

Very similar to the Dutch to be honest.

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

Groceries are about 1.2 times Wageningen, and rent is about double. Expect to have to cough up quite a bit more than your Erasmus grant.

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

There are a lot of options, but all are a bit expensive (taking a bus to and from Copenhagen is 14 euros). Get yourself a bike to travel around.

## 6. Free time

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

Go visit the Deerpark and swim in the sea.

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

ESN Seabattle is a very fun, but Stockholm-based event.

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

Just chill with your new exchange friends and arrange stuff to happen.

## 7. Challenges & best moment abroad

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

Long distance relationship

**What was your best memory abroad?**

Meeting some of my exchange friends for the first time and realising we would get along just fine.

### 8. Contact details (optional)

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