

WUR Goes Abroad

1. Student information

Study programme WU	BFT		
Exchange semester (dd/mm/yyyy)	29/01/24 until 21/06/24		
Exchange destination: University	University of Copenhagen		
Faculty	Science		
Country	Denmark		
City	Copenhagen		

2. Motivation for exchange

a. Why did you choose to go on study exchange?

Because I wanted to get a new and different experience in my studies by going to a new country, and I also wanted to know what it is like to study in a completely different culture.

b. What is the reason you chose for this country?

I wanted to go to Denmark because I know the level of education is just as high, if not higher than what I am used to and I like the challenge. Also the Danish culture is interesting to me I wanted to know what it would be like to live there for a few months.

c. What is the reason you chose for this university?

This university had the most interesting courses for the field I wanted to study in, and the city of Copenhagen was my first choice of a city to go to because it is similar to Amsterdam where I grew up but in a completely different way.

3. Accessibility to reach destination

a. Do you have any advice about reaching your exchange destination?

For me going with the FlixBus turned out to be the cheapest and easiest. But it is also drivable if you have a free weekend.

4. University and studying

	Course	ECTS	Short description of the contents	Appreciation of course: 1(low) - 5(high)	Remarks
1	Beer and Packaging Technology	7.5	A lot of packaging technology and some beer chemistry	4.5	
2	Project Management	7.5	Learning to work in a team and also as a manager in that team.	4	
3	International Economics	7.5	Basic international trade	3	
4	Gut Microbiome in Nutrition and Health	7.5	All about the gut microbiome	3	
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a. Could you provide some general information about the followed courses?

b. I had sufficient possibilities to select suitable courses that were <u>taught in</u> <u>English</u> (Yes, No - Explain): yes

c. I had sufficient possibilities to select suitable courses in my <u>field of interest</u> (Yes, No - Explain): yes

d. I am satisfied with the <u>level of the courses</u> that I followed (Yes, No - Explain): yes

e. I am satisfied, in the end, with the <u>selection of courses</u> I followed (Yes, No - Explain): yes

f. What is it like to study there?

The academic level and way of teaching is very similar to Wageningen, the only new thing for me is that 2 of the courses I followed had an oral exam instead of a written one which was very new for me.

g. What is the culture of the university?

The teachers are quite similar to ours, but the Danish students are quite closed off to the internationals so I mostly made friends with other internationals.

h. What does the university offer students additionally?

Quite cheap and delicious warm lunches!

5. Housing-traveling-living

a. What are the possibilities for housing?

Rent is super expensive in Copenhagen, I rented through the housing foundation.

b. What is the culture like?

Pretty much exactly the same as in the Netherlands, just a different language.

c. Could you give some information about public transport infrastructure? Metro card is pretty affordable, and renting a bike through Swapfiets is a very good option.

6. Expenses

a. Can you give an indication of your expenses for/during your exchange?

Category	Expenses
Travelling there	My dad drove me
Visa - if applicable	-
Vaccinations - if applicable	-
Insurances (extra) - if applicable	-
Daytrips/sight-seeing	60 euros
Housing costs per month & type of housing/accommodation	1000 euros, studio
Grocery costs per month	400 euros
Public transport costs per month	40 euros
Restaurant/going out for dinner costs per month	100 euros

b. The price levels were in general [higher; lower; equal] in comparison to in the Netherlands: a lot higher

c. Additional remarks regarding expenses?

Copenhagen is very very expensive, even groceries I think I paid double of what I normally would back home, but mostly going out for dinner or drinks is really expensive.

7. Free time

a. What are must-sees in the area?

The entire city!

b. What does not appear in a travel guide, but is definitely worth seeing/doing?

Studenterhuset is the place for affordable drinks ;) (the library of the business school is nicer to study than the one of UCPH in frederiksberg)

8. Challenges & best moment abroad

a. Any challenges? How did you deal with them?

Because I lived in a studio it was quite isolating, but I just texted the couple friends I had there if they wanted to hang out. And also a lot of facetime calls with the homefront :).

b. Best memory?

Going to Tivoli with my best friend from there and my mom.

9. Contact details

Is the reader allowed to contact the writer?	yes 🗆	no 🖂
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