

Field report

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Where have you been for your exchange semester (University/Country/City), ERASMUS or non-ERASMUS?: Switzerland

Why have you decided to do an exchange semester abroad?

I wanted to live in a new culture and learn about it. I also wanted to strengthen my language abilities. Making new contacts and friends was of course important as well as have the opportunity to study courses that I don't have in my home university and make my degree more versatile.

What did impress you?

The warm welcome from the international office of HTW Chur. Also the professionalism that teachers have was great.

What experiences did you gain?

Studying was quite the same as in Finland but some things in Swiss everyday life wonder me still, for example the waste bag system and bureaucracy in everything.

How can you profit from your exchange semester back at Home University?

I will have all courses I completed here included in my degree and I can replace some courses in Finland with these ECTS.

How was the support of HTW Chur/Home University?

Every time I had a problem concerning my studies I got help either from the international office or the administration office of HTW.

From my home university I got enough information beforehand and also now at the end of the exchange semester.

Would you do it again?

Yes I would.

Would you recommend your colleagues to do the same?

Yes I would.