

About my exchange semester and my life in Switzerland



My name is Zsófia Barcsik. I come from Hungary and I spent my perfect exchange semester in Switzerland, in Chur, in HTW Chur.

I chose this country and this university, because I learn tourism in my home university (Corvinus University of Budapest) too. When I read about this opportunity in the Erasmus program, I thought that this would be a good opportunity to improve my tourism and language skills (moreover, all this could be done in the best tourism-related country – in Switzerland), therefore I didn't hesitate to apply for it.

It is true, that during the application period, I had some problems. (with language skills, with studied courses) But thanks for the helps of the international office and my home university, I could get this possibility to study here! Many thanks for this!

I really loved my study program in HTW Chur, because the education system in Switzerland is different, and for me is better than in Hungary. In Switzerland I had the opportunity to organise my individual schedule, therefore I could learn together the students from the second and the third class as well – and I could get to know more very kind Swiss people!

The living and studying period in Chur was amazing for me. So „What did impress me in Chur...?“ It is a perfect question ☺ and the answer is so easy...EVERYTHING...☺

The landscape with the mountains, the slopes, the clouds; the lifestyle with lots of Swiss people, the programs, the travelings during the weekends, the special „bündner foods“ with lots of salad, the cheese fondue ☺ and finally lots of walk between the HTW Chur and my accommodation (Konvikt) determined my life there. I am sure, that my life in Hungary will be changed by thanks for those experiences!

I also gained experience in living alone in a foreign country, in a dormitory among lots of children, in studying, following courses, making notes and friendships in English, in enjoying nightlife in a smaller city. Everything was big experience, and if I could do it again... of course I would do it again. So I recommend HTW Chur and life in Chur to everybody!

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