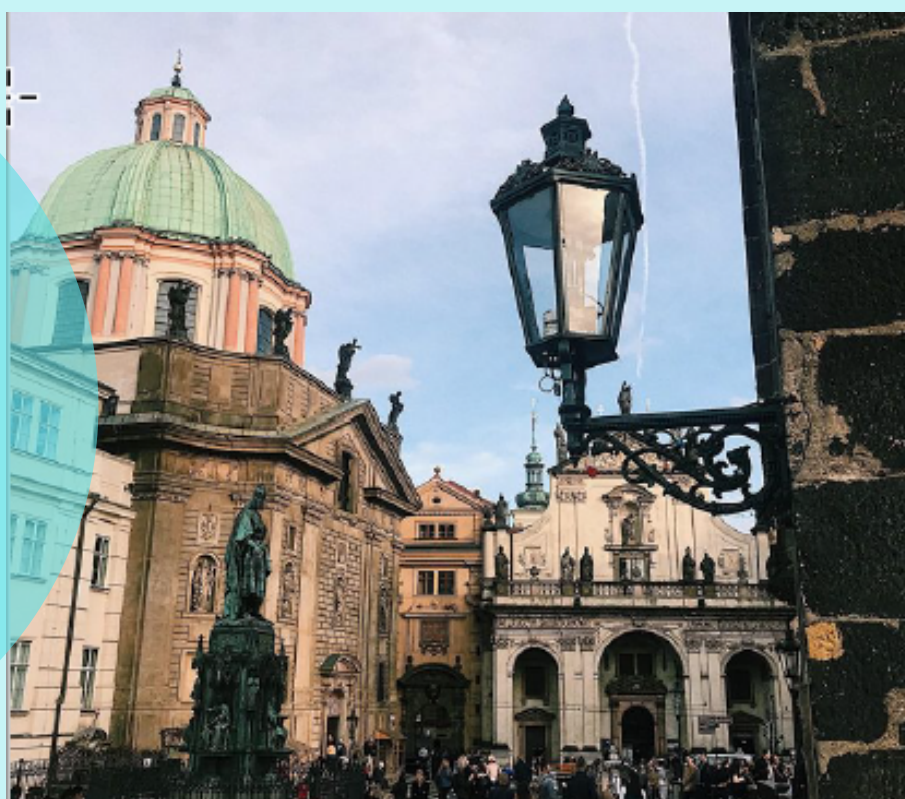


MY STUDENT EXCHANGE EXPERIENCE

EMA ŠUMSKYTĖ, LITHUANIA

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This semester was my first one living abroad and it was my first time as an Erasmus student. As for the first time, everything went well. I was coming here from Lithuania and at first, it looked like the journey will be very exhausting (Vilnius-Riga-Prague-Hradec Králové), but all things considered, it was a good experience, I learned how to travel alone, how to buy cheaper tickets and how to travel safe and sound. I was not living in the dormitories, that is why I cannot write my experience about accommodation in here but I can say that people in this city

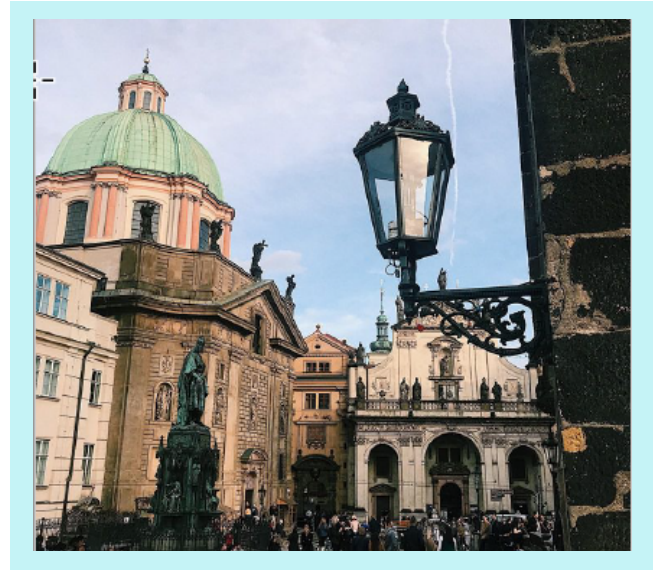
were amazing – from the people of the International office to the people of the Buddy System and the Erasmus students.

One of the main reasons I wanted to go to Erasmus, was that I wanted to develop my English skills, and I am proud of myself because I did it! I think I am speaking and understanding English better than I was in September and that is why I am thankful to Erasmus. Also, I wanted to find international friends and, of course, I did it. I am from Lithuania but here I founded people who I

can call my best friends now from Venezuela, Colombia, Belarus, Turkey, Spain, and Italy! What a great way to meet people! Now I can travel all around the world and meet the people I met here in their homeland!



About university and faculty, I was studying in the Philosophical faculty and the experience was positive. All of my classes were interesting, the schedule was good and when there were difficulties I always had help from the International office, which I really appreciate. The exam period was not stressful at all, and the exams were well distributed. Also, the location of the faculty was amazing, it was in the city center, the buildings looked great and it makes the whole experience here even better!



To conclude, I truly enjoyed Hradec Králové and the university, and I would really recommend everyone to come here. It is a quiet place to stay, but at the same time, if you want, you can always find events here. Also, Prague is not that far, so it is a very good location. I am thankful for everyone and everything here!