



MY STUDENT EXCHANGE EXPERIENCE

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"My UHK experience"

My stay at the UHK has been far more than just a student exchange, it has been a lifechanging experience. I come from a very big city, Bogotá, the capital of Colombia. It has 8 million people inhabitants and Hradec Králové has 93,000. This has changed my perspective on community life and how people become united in society. The calmness of its streets and its parks makes you feel comfortable and if you come from a crowded city like me, you will lower the pace of your life. This same community I mentioned before is small but very open to foreign people. I met and learned a lot from the Czech culture. The markets, restaurants, museums, and the historic center are nothing similar to what I have known before in other countries and cities of the world and I think that this is what characterizes Hradec Králové. People from Hradec Králové are nice and although they do not understand you, they make an effort to help you and to understand each other. Fortunately, I met very good people at supermarkets, buses, and stores. The experience at the university was as exciting as I imagined it. The University of Hradec Králové has more than just nice buildings. The university staff strives to do different academic and extraacademic activities for students where they not only have fun but also have the opportunity to meet new people and find new entertainment spaces. As for the classes, they are very profitable and the schedules allowed me to have space to study and learn but also to relax, travel and get to know this incredible country.





Finally, I think that one of the most valuable things that I take from this place is the incredible people I met at the university, in Palachova, and the city. Undoubtedly, they become your family and you are surrounded by that feeling of unity that the city inspires.



