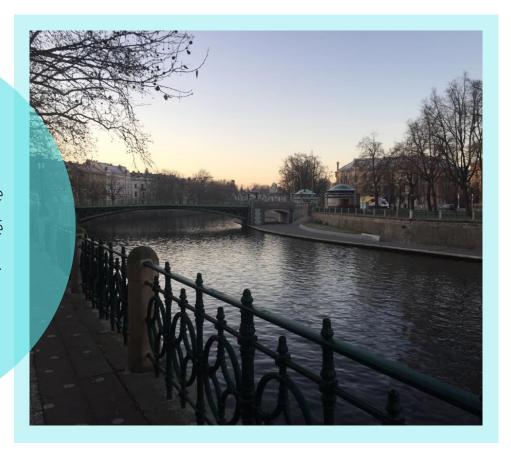




MY STUDENT EXCHANGE EXPERIENCE

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My Erasmus stay in Hradec Králové gave me the possibility to meet so many different people from all over the world, literally. In my Czech language course, I was sitting between a girl from Peru, and a girl from Hong Kong. I made friends with Mexican girls and I shared my room with someone from Italy. At the beginning of the semester, it was an overload on international people. In the first week we made an "International Dinner", where I tried food from Turkey which I really liked, and waffles from the Netherlands.

I could not imagine that Hradec Králové would be so diverse. I could not even imagine sharing my room with a stranger. But I am really thankful for my roommate. To know that there is always someone around you in the same situation with whom you can share your thoughts with helped me not to get homesick. I remember the days when we were singing in our room and laughing. With my roommate, I also made the first trip to Krakow.

My Erasmus stay was definitely shaped by traveling. We visited Bratislava, Vienna, and a lot of different places in the Czech Republic. Now I can say the Czech Republic is worth to visit! At least, my stay at the university gave me the chance to have lessons in a completely different field of study. I studied sociology for the first time and making thoughts about the environment in my ecological ethics class, and I am very happy to say that I learned a little bit about the Czech language which I was confronted with every day.

Now I am leaving Hradec Králové being aware that I am not returning. This makes me sad because this city was my home for the last three months but I am looking back to a time which was full of new experiences, nice people and with lots of new pictures on my phone.

