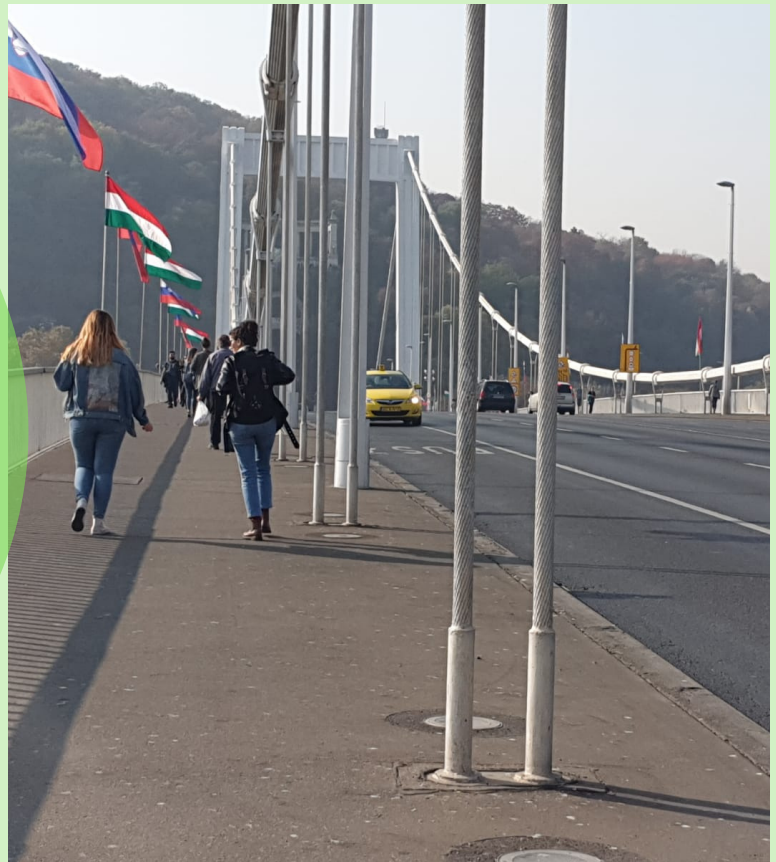


MY STUDENT EXCHANGE EXPERIENCE

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"My UHK experience"



Hello, everyone! I am Cassandra, a French exchange student in the Czech Republic.

It all started in September 2019. I arrived in the Czech Republic with a smile on my face to discover a new country, a new city, and a new culture that I will live in for a year. My heart was filled with joy, excitement, and dreams. The city of Hradec Králové has an absolute charm, those colourful buildings that give life or those cafes that allow you to have a good time or to work.

First of all, I studied at the Faculty of Philosophy. The faculty is in the centre of the city and the building is magnificent. The courses were quite different from what I knew from my faculty in France, but above all they allowed me to deepen and discover subjects. The way of teaching is very pedagogical and allows each student to find his or her place because we are in small groups and the teachers are all attentive.

Then, the city of Hradec Králové has a train station which allows us to travel all around Europe. Indeed, I started by visiting the capital, Prague, which simply amazed me... All those colours, the architecture, and its history are simply grandiose. The Czech Republic is in the centre of Europe, which is incredible because you can go to Budapest, Vienna, Berlin, Bratislava, etc. in a few hours.



During this experience, I was able to discover a new country that I loved because Prague is not the only city to visit. The Czech Republic is full of sumptuous cities and full of history (ex: Brno, Kutna Hora, Pilsen, and Karlovy Vary).

I have also been able to discover wonderful people from all continents, people from totally different cultures who have allowed me to grow and learn more about other cultures, especially in terms of cooking.

I would also like to thank the student's association ESN and the UHK International office that, during my Erasmus, organized events that allowed us to get closer to each other and to create affinities.

To conclude, I returned to France with so many memories that I did not know how to tell them. I was overwhelmed with experiences and encounters. I am happy to have been able to enjoy my Erasmus in the Czech Republic, in Hradec Králové, and to have met wonderful people.

