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Before I came to Hradec Králové this semester, I didn't know much about studying abroad or Erasmus+ in general. I am glad that I decided to try it. The courses in the UHK were very interesting and the people – very nice and responsive. I did enjoy the opportunity of choosing many archaeological courses because that is what I am more focused on in my studies. Studying in English was also interesting. I think it was a useful experience that will help in the future when either doing a study-related presentation or just being able to communicate more freely and feel more natural doing it.



I think the best thing about going on Erasmus+ is the people that make this great atmosphere. You get to meet people from all around the world who have different views and great (or sometimes - horrible) stories to tell. It makes you look at this experience and the whole world a little different, connecting people and making them think in a little wider sphere than before, perhaps.

The choice to study in the Czech Republic wasn't very definite, but looking back, now I must say that it was the right one to make. I found the country to be very beautiful (even with the lack of wide bodies of water, i.e., the sea, which I very much love). When the restrictions allowed it, we went exploring the Czech Republic a little bit more. I saw many many castles and some impressive locations and cities and even climbed Sněžka.



The city we were staying in – Hradec Králové – was very delightful. The old town had beautiful historic buildings, and from the tower (Bílá věž) you could see all of the city and even some mountains far away. You could easily get anywhere by bike or by walking, and there were many places to go! There were a lot of picnic worthy spots near the river, but what I enjoyed the most was the many bars and pubs on every corner.



If I had a chance, I would come back on Erasmus+ here once more, but I will settle for just visiting. However, because of the influence of this semester, I am going on another Erasmus+, this time an internship. I think through this experience, I have not only had an opportunity to learn more, but I have also acquired some important contacts and friendships.



