



The Erasmus experience of a student from Portugal

My Erasmus experience in Univerzita Hradec Králové will always be a cherished memory, with a special place in my heart. The prospect of living in a new country and immersing myself in a different culture, with all the obstacles and challenges it entails, has always been a big dream of mine. Coming to Hradec Kralové was the perfect opportunity to fulfill that dream.

Despite the initial difficulties of adaptation, I loved my stay in the city. All the teachers and coordinators at the university were very welcoming, helpful, and received us very well.

This was a very enriching experience where I had the opportunity to explore different academic environments, make new friends from all over the world, and expand my personal horizons. Erasmus meant much more to me than just academic and cultural experiences. It was a period of self-discovery and personal growth. This chapter of personal growth, friendship, and the never-ending pursuit of knowledge will always remind me of the power of embracing the unknown.

Beyond the academic aspect, Erasmus allowed me to engage in cultural exchanges, discovering the traditions, customs, and lifestyles of the Czech Republic.

During this period, I spend the weekends exploring the country landmarks, trying local cuisine, and participating in various social and recreational activities promoted by ESN. Moreover, I not only got to know more about the Czech culture but I was able to share personal experiences, perspectives, and backgrounds with other international students, and vice versa. This sharing of experiences fostered personal growth and intercultural understanding.



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