

MY STUDENT EXCHANGE EXPERIENCE

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Before starting the University, I knew I wanted to go on an exchange because since I was a kid my dream was to travel and studying abroad is all that and more. First of all, it is a challenge that makes you more flexible and makes you adapt to your new environment; you arrive to a new place where everyone is a stranger to you, and today I can say that those strangers became my family. I met people from different countries, we shared stories, knowledge, and adventures.

If I could choose again the place of my exchange, I would still select the Czech Republic. I carry it in my heart forever my second home because it was in this beautiful country where I really grew as a person and as a student, besides the fact that the place is beautiful and safe and in every corner you could find something to admire.



Hradec is a unique place, at first, I thought it was very small but then I realized how big it is and that there are many things you can find to have fun. It is a magical place.

On the academic side, it was also very pleasant, and a challenge, since I had classes in a different language than mine, but in the end, I got to strengthen those skills, plus the groups are small, which allows you to have the necessary attention in each class. The teachers are very friendly and make you feel comfortable, the classes are very interactive and I liked that a lot, the fact of being in a classroom with other people from different countries enriches your way of learning since each person comes with his or her perspective.



Another thing that was one of my favorites was being able to travel, as the Czech Republic is in the heart of Europe, we have beautiful countries around and it was very easy for us to travel to new places; every weekend was a new adventure in and out of the country.

Hradec is almost two hours away from Prague, the most beautiful city I have ever seen, which makes it very easy to go for a walk and get to know a bit of its history.

No doubt it is something I would do a thousand times more, I am just finishing one of the best stages of my life and I know I have to do it again because it is something totally incredible. You move to another country but at the same time you grow as a person, you become responsible for new things, and you are able to live amazed all the time and see how nice it is to have an opportunity like this.



This opportunity allowed me to create unique bonds with extraordinary people, that was my favorite part, I arrived alone and I didn't even know the guys from my country, now my roomie is one of my best friends and I have a new family because everyone has won my heart. Definitely, living the same experience allowed us to build strong bonds.



If you have the opportunity to do an exchange, I would tell you not to think about it twice, it is definitely something you have to live, and it is the best investment as a student and as a person. Even though it is not always easy, there are magical moments that you will never forget.

