 UNIVERSITÄT LIECHTENSTEIN	<b>ABSCHLUSSBERICHT</b> <b>Zuerkennung eines Zuschusses für einen</b> <b>ERASMUS Studienaufenthalt Studienjahr</b>	<b>Universität</b> <b>Liechtenstein</b>
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 zu senden an die Universität Liechtenstein, International Office  
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*Der schriftliche Abschlussbericht umfasst zwei bis drei A4-Seiten und muss zusammen mit den anderen Dokumenten (Aufenthaltsbestätigung, Berichtsformular) spätestens 30 Tage nach Beendigung des Auslandsstudiums per Post geschickt werden.*

*Inhaltlich sollte der Abschlussbericht u.a. auch folgende Themen berücksichtigen:*

- Unterbringung, Umfeld
- Einführung in der Universität
- besuchte Lehrveranstaltungen, absolvierte Prüfungen/Arbeiten
- Kontakt mit anderen Studierenden, Dozenten, Einheimischen...

### **Accommodation and Environment**

Given that Kozminski University does not have dormitories and do not offer their own accommodation one individually needs to find a place to stay during the exchange semester. The international office supports incoming students at this stage and sends out accommodation offers regularly. The easiest way to find an accommodation is through Facebook groups in which other students offer rooms for rent. I chose to live in Praga-Południe given the proximity to the University and the cheaper rents than in the city center. Still, I was able to reach the center within only 15 minutes by tram. The University is located in the Praga district, on the right side of the Vistula river and can be reached by bus and by tram from Dworzec Wileński and Centrum. From Centrum it takes around 30 minutes and from DW Wileński around 15 minutes.

### **Preparation and Orientation Week**

After being nominated by our international office you can get in touch directly with the international office of Kozminski University. They are very helpful in case of questions and uncertainties. I got then also contacted by them for administrative matters (including providing a transcript of records, insurance, ID, etc.). As a next step I was able to access the Kozminski Course Database with all available courses for exchange students at <https://ikozminski.edu.pl/> and had to select preliminary courses which were then handed in for approval by the study program director. At the beginning of September, I then had to register for the selected courses on a first come first serve basis. Nevertheless, I managed to get into all the courses I wanted to. The only tricky part was not having any time conflicts as I took courses from the Finance & Accounting as well as the Management Master program. In case of changes to the initial Erasmus Learning Agreement you need to amend it, and have it signed by the Koziminski International Department, your study program director and yourself.

At the beginning of the semester the University offers an Orientation Week in which students receive the most important information about administrative matters and have the chance to socialize and meet other exchange students. Overall, the student's organization ESN Kozminski is highly active and very helpful and they organized various social events like movie nights, city trips and parties.


## Courses and Exams

One needs to say that the teaching method at Kozminski University is rather comparable to the American teaching style than the European one. Therefore, in each course attendance and active participation was required and formed part of the grade. Furthermore, rather than having one final exam at the end of the course the course grade was obtained through participation, groupworks, individual assignments and exams. The following table gives an overview of the attended courses, their ECTS workload and the grading method:

Course Name	ECTS	Program	Grading method
<b>Fundamental Analysis</b>	3	Finance & Accounting	Group report (40%) Presentation (40%) In-class quizzes (20%)
<b>Mergers &amp; Acquisitions</b>	3	Management	Group project (80%) Exam (20%)
<b>Research Methods</b>	3	Management	Exam (100%)
<b>Introduction to VBA for Excel</b>	3	Finance & Accounting	Case study Exam
<b>Entrepreneurship &amp; New Venture Development</b>	4	Management	Presentation (30%) Assignment (70%)
<b>Psychology of Financial Markets</b>	3	Finance & Accounting	Group project Exam Investment game
<b>Corporate Financial Reporting</b>	4	Finance & Accounting	Case Study (50%) Exam (50%)
<b>International Business Environment</b>	3	Management	Group Presentation (20%) Individual Assignment (80%)
<b>Modern Banking Systems</b>	3	Finance & Accounting	Group presentations Individual interview
<b>Introduction to AML and Compliance in Banking</b>	3	Finance & Accounting	ICA AML Certificate
<b>Consumer Behaviour</b>	3	Management	Discussion during class (30%) Presentation and groupwork (70%)

## Relationship with other students and faculty

Kozminski University receives a high number of Erasmus students each year. Furthermore, a lot of international students are part of the regular degree programs. Therefore, my exchange semester was truly an international experience. I was able to meet people from Canada to India and socializing was made very easy through groupworks and evening events. Faculty is easily accessible and helpful and given that the class size is quite compact is is easy to get in touch with the lecturers during and after classes.

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### Concluding remarks

I can only encourage everyone to take advantage of the possibility of doing an exchange semester. It is truly a unique experience including great memories but also challenges you need to cope with from an organizational and administrative part. Having the opportunity to live in another country gives you the chance to get to know other cultures and lifestyles and detect similarities and differences between your home country and your exchange destination. It makes you more culturally aware and for sure widens your horizon.

I would like to thank the International Department, especially Mirjana Schädler, my MSc program director Florian Schaller and the International Department of Kozminski University for that unforgettable opportunity and their support during the whole exchange semester.

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