

Erfahrungsbericht über den Aufenthalt an der Partneruniversität

Max. 2-3 Seiten in Deutsch oder Englisch in ganzen Sätzen (keine Stichwörter)

Mobilitätsprogramm	Erasmus+
Partneruniversität	Katholieke Universiteit Leuven – Campus Gent
Besuchtes Studienfach	Architecture
Semester	SS 2023
Name und E-Mail fakultativ	

Even though Ghent wasn't my first choice for my semester abroad, I'm still incredibly happy to have ended up there. The city is definitely a hidden gem in Europe and definitely worth the visit. The city and its offers are designed for students and international students and make an exchange very easy. From architecture to leisure and culture, Ghent has it all. I don't regret my time there and I can recommend the city of Ghent to anyone for a semester abroad.		
Arriving is fairly easy and the university will assist you with any registrations and documents you may need.		
I was lucky with my accommodation because I was able to get one of the student rooms that KU Leuven arranges for exchange students. For many of my fellow students, the search turned out to be more difficult and quite expensive.		
Public transport is 30€ per month and well developed, but almost everyone in Ghent is always using their bikes. For around 60€ you can rent a bike for a semester, which I can really recommend.		
Registering for the courses was a bit confusing, but there was a lot of support from the university, especially as an exchange student. But you have to be prepared that you don't necessarily get the subjects that you have chosen in advance. Therefore, it may be that the learning agreement needs to be adjusted. 25 ECTs are recommended, but more is also possible.		
Information about the university and the process is all on the website, which can be a bit tricky if you don't know where to look. For example, the model workshop operates on a different website than the rest of the university. The fact that the architecture campus Gent has three city locations can also be confusing at first.		
As far as I know, the university did not offer any Dutch language courses.		
The support from the international office and Stuvo was always quick and very helpful. There was almost always someone available or in the office on site.		
Even if you have to get used to the definitely different way of teaching in courses with many participants, you can learn a lot from the new approaches. Each of the courses had different examinations, from presentations to essays to written exams, everything was included.		
The cost of living is cheaper than in Switzerland/Liechtenstein, you can roughly compare them to those in Vorarlberg, Austria. My Rent was about 530€ plus laundry. You must calculate around €400 for groceries. While the workshop can be used free of charge you have to reckon with slightly higher costs for printing and materials at the end of the		



Leben/Freizeit

Treffpunkte, Sport, Kultur

There are many places where people meet, especially in spring and summer. In parks, cafes, in the city center, people gather everywhere. At first it may be a bit difficult to get to know actual Belgians, but with a little drilling you get behind the hard shell. The university offers many opportunities for sports or cultural activities such as discounted cinema tickets, yoga courses, climbing courses, sporting events and much more.

Vergleich Universitäten

Was ist besser/schlechter an der Partneruniversität als an der Universität Liechtenstein In Lichtenstein teachers are much easier to reach and approachable. Because of the size of the KU Leuven, you have to try harder not to get lost in the crowd. Due to the large number of students, exchanges are much easier and more frequent, and the university offers many more events for students.

Fotos

Eindrücke vom Leben, Studieren, Umgebung (kann auch ein Dropbox-Link sein)







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