Questionnaire Study Abroad/Exchange

Please answer the questions below to the best of your ability. This report is meant to help future exchange students find their perfect destination so keep your audience in mind when writing and use a language that "pre-exchange students" will also understand.

You are very welcome to add pictures and/or change the format of the report as long and you keep in mind the questions below. Anything that will give your fellow students a sense of what it is like to study and live at "your school".

Formatting-wise, you may either create a written report with pictures (i.e. lining up the questions below followed by your answers or continous text answering the questions), OR you can create a video report (i.e. with footage from different experiences/contexts from your stay and a voice-over answering the questions). Be creative and informative!

1. Where and when did you study abroad? I studied in Paris at Iscom University from 01/02/2022 – 17/06/2022

2. What KEA program did you attend at the time? Digital Concept Development

3. What classes did you take during your semester abroad? Please briefly explain what each class was about.

At Iscom I did 21 different subjects in only 5 months. It is therefore difficult to tell about them all, but most of them is about marketing and communication and soft skills, like how you develop your professional career.

Academic Experience

1. How helpful was the *receiving school* in the process of choosing classes and settling you in?

They helped through email. You just have to be patient since they can take their time answering you

2. What classes/study experiences did you find the most rewarding? Why?

I really liked Graphic design. With the background from marketing management I didn't had any experience working with Photoshop, Illustrator etc. In addition we had a very nice teacher which made the experience better.

3. What classes/study experiences did you find least relevant or least valuable to you? Why?

We had a subject called Current events and Press reviews . I'm not really sure why had that, since most of all was like a typical history class, where we learned about major events from the past.

4. What classes would you advice other KEA students going to the receiving school to choose or not to choose?

You can't really choose because you are just following an ongoing bachelor program

<u>Cultural/Personal Experience</u>

- 1. What challenges did you experience culturally while beingabroad?
 - a. How helpful was the receiving school in this process?

The school did a meeting for all Erasmus Students to kind of let us get to know each other. Otherwise they didn't do a lot. I didn't meet huge cultural challenges. There is a saying that French people are arrogant and don't want to talk English, but after being here for 5 months, I can say that, it is not my experience.

2. What was the best cultural/personal experience during your studies abroad?

Just enjoying Paris and the fact that all museum are free for people under 26. Paris is an amazing city and when you live here, you have a lot of time the explore.

3. What advice would you give other KEA students going to study abroad at the receiving school?

Be aware of the big workload that is expected when you are studying at Paris. You have a lot of school, sometimes 10 hours a day, and that doesn't include homework. You have a lot of deadlines and sometimes it will mean that you only feel you have time for school. It will be intense, and the level is lower than what you are used to at KEA.

Practical Experience

- 1. How was the application process?
 - a. What did KEA help you with?

They helped me through everything on mail and in-person at the school

b. What help did you receive from your school abroad?

I got information's about when and where to meet and all the different types of subject I had to attend

2. Did you have any practical difficulties settling down in at your destination?

Not really

a. How helpful was the receiving school in this process? Didn't receive a lot of help because I kind of already had the practical situation under control

3. Where did you live?

a. Was it difficult to find accommodation?

It can be difficult to find an affordable place. I lived in Cite Universitaire in the Danish House called Fondation Danoise. I can really recommend everybody to apply to live there. It is an amazing place filled with young Danish students, enjoying their exchange semester just like you.

b. Was it expensive?

It costed me 3.800 Dkk

- 4. What kind of expenses did you have in general?
 - a. Did you spend more or less money than you budgeted with?

I think I spend more than I budgeted with. When you are in Paris it is difficult not use money. There is always good excuse to drink a glass of wine in one of the hundreds cozy cafés in the streets of Paris.

We look forward to reading/seeing your report and to have you back at KEA soon!

Note: We use the exchange reports as a source of valuable information about each school/destination to share with students interested in going to the given school in the future. In some cases, we anonymize the report (delete names/contact information) and upload them to our website (global.kea.dk) and in some cases we share the reports with interested students. <u>When submitting the report, you automatically give us consent to sharing/uploading the report to our website. If you do not want your report shared or uploaded, you should explicitly request this in an e-mail to your international coordinator.</u>