



Student testimonials for the International Blog

Short feedback about your stay in Rosenheim:

I had really pleasant stay here in Rosenheim. Everyone was really kind with me, I felt rapidly integrated to the University and I appreciated all the helps for the administration procedures.

But I have some comments concerning the wood technology program:

- The list of courses for the semester had changed many times during the summer which obliged me to change my plan and my learning agreement several times and so I couldn't take some courses for which I wanted to come to Rosenheim. Moreover, the number of credits allowed for each course is really unclear, and till November I had some surprises concerning the number of credits offered by certain courses! There is a big problem of communication and/or preparation concerning this point. (Indeed, credits matters for ERASMUS students).



- Second issue for me was concerning exams period. Not only in France, but in other several countries, the second semester starts in the end of January or beginning of February, and sometimes there is an overlap with the exam period in Germany. I understand that it is like it is, but I don't understand why Rosenheim University doesn't allow stranger's student to take some exams in their home country when there are such schedule conflicts. I was in this situation and it is really uncomfortable.

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Why did you decide to study at Rosenheim University of Applied Sciences?

For several reasons. First is for the reputation of Rosenheim University in my domain of studies (Wood technologies and Wood constructions), and also because it proposes a master program in English. Second is because my Home University has links with Rosenheim University and so the procedures were easier to apply in. Finally, I also had private motivations to come to Bavaria and learn German.



What do you particularly like about your university in Bavaria?

I really appreciated the Mensa system and also the friendly atmosphere in the University (relationship between professors and students and the welcome by German students). The activities planned for the international students were appreciable as well

Was there anything that you found particularly strange or surprising when you first arrived here?

No, the culture, school system is quite similar to the French ones.

What are your plans and goals for the future?

Finish my degree and maybe then joining my girlfriend here in Germany.

Are you involved in any clubs/ extra-curricular activities at your university?

No

What are your favourite places in your university town and why?

I really enjoyed to go running along the river (Inn).
Having the best burger in town at "Hans im Glück"
The main square during Christmas time and its Christmas market!

What are your favourite things about Bavaria?

All the possibilities for sport! The diversity of landscapes, plains, mountains, lakes...
The strong Bavarian culture. (For example, going in a "beer garden" with some friends to enjoy a good beer and typical meals.

If you were writing a postcard to your parents and friends in your home country, what would you say about your time in Bavaria?

I would recommend them to come for a trip, to take a breath in Bavaria and its beautiful nature between lakes and mountains, the perfect place to relax and/or recover. I would also talk about the important and interesting history of the region (Castles, Munich...). Finally, I would invite them to taste Bavarian culture, great beers and typical food.

Is there anything you particularly miss about your home country?

Yes, the ability of people to talk with strangers, French peoples are easy going compared to Germans. German are not really smiling and opened to strangers. They are a bit cold and reserved. I also missed sometimes the food of my home country...

Do you have any tips for other international students coming to Rosenheim?

They must try to find a flatshare with German students! That's an efficient way to meet real German and to not stay with the International students and so to really discover the culture and tradition of the country!