

Semester Exchange Report

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I attended the summer semester of 2021 at Leibniz Universität Hannover as part of an international exchange program. The international office guided me right from enrollments and visa applications until the end of my stay. The courses that I took at the university were exciting and intellectually challenging. The lectures and exams were rigorous, and the faculty was helpful throughout the semester. I often visited the Conti Campus library and mensa.

I arrived in Germany on the 1st of April. The program was for five months, and I lived in a shared apartment near Hauptbahnhof for the entirety of the stay. The accommodation was close to the university and the city centre. Hannover has some beautiful attractions that I visited, such as the Herrenhausen Gardens, Maschsee, Eilenirede Park and Marienburg Castle. I also got the chance to visit Hamburg, Berlin, Goslar, and Hamelin. Through these trips, I learned a lot about German people and culture and improved my language skills.

The Erasmus Student Network (ESN) hosted activities throughout the semester for us to meet other exchange students. I got the opportunity to meet students from Italy, Spain, Finland, Hong Kong, Greece, Poland, Russia, Turkey, and Hungary. Because of covid restrictions, not many events took place, but the ones that did were quite memorable. One such event was a hiking trip. I took part in the event “Wanderung im Harz” on the 2nd of August 2021 (please find attached pictures from the event below). We took a train to Bad Hazburg, and from there, we hiked to the top of the mountain.



There is nothing quite like being on your own in a foreign country. I got the chance to experience an entirely new way of life. I believe this exchange experience will benefit my future studies and career prospects. I wish to do my Master's in Economics from Germany, and my experience with this exchange will help me tremendously in this regard.