

So far, I am happy with my first weeks at Aalborg University Hospital. First, I am impressed by the professional organization of my internship. Besides receiving all the necessary information from the institution, I always had the opportunity to ask the responsible persons in case of questions. Furthermore, it was taken care of an accommodation for me with other Danish students of nursery and medicine as well as Ph.D. students, which gives me a good opportunity to improve my language skills and learn about the Danish health care system. I consider this as crucial for the success of my learning progress.

I had a well-structured introduction at the ward. Everything worked out very well concerning clothing, IT, changing rooms, own locker, etc. I have already taken part at the daily meetings, conferences and lectures. I was also able to observe and assist in surgical operations, to participate in the daily rounds, to see patients with different diseases and to discuss the patient's history, diagnosis and treatment with the responsible doctor. In the emergency room I got the opportunity to see selected incoming patients and to examine them under supervision of the responsible doctor. This way I could present the results of my structured physical examination and afterwards discuss the treatment with the doctor. This was a very good opportunity to improve my examination skills. I was always invited to ask questions to the physician in charge.

My personal impression is that teaching seems to be a very important point for the orthopedic ward at Aalborg's university. Therefore, I am very glad for staying here. Besides, I had a lot of interesting conversations about the Danish health care system and its advantages (and current problems). For example, I think it is quite exciting that there is a difference in the allocation of responsibilities in Denmark in comparison to Germany: there are nurses, who are performing ultrasound examinations, there is a "bioanalytiker", who withdraws blood from the patient and Danish medical students are generally more used to have responsibility.