



Economics and Management (Master of Science)

Experience report

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About me

Name is Valeriya Moiseeva, I'm Russian by nationality. I completed my bachelors in International finance faculty in Financial university under the Government of Russian Federation in 2013, right after I started my master Degree in **Peter the Great St.Petersburg Polytechnic University (SPbPU)** and then got admitted to the Double Degree program – Environment and Development by **Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz Universität Hannover** in 2018.

DD Program means that you'll study your first year of masters in SPbPU, Russia and second year in LUH, Germany and will be awarded with two degrees from these two universities. Studying abroad it's a good opportunity to meet new people and wide your education. I would like to say thank you for this grant and for this possibility.

About the university

Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz Universität Hannover has been founded on May 2, 1831 and its one of the oldest and biggest science and technology universities in Germany. Nine faculties with more than 190 first-degree full-time and part-time degree courses make the university the second-largest institution of higher education in Lower Saxony

Leibniz University Hannover is a member of TU9, an association of the nine leading Institutes of Technology in Germany. It is also a member of the Conference of European Schools for Advanced Engineering Education and Research (CESAER), a non-profit association of leading engineering universities in Europe. The university sponsors the German National Library of Science and Technology (TIB), the largest science and technology library in the world.

About the city

"Hanover" is the traditional English spelling. The German spelling (with a double n) is becoming more popular in English; recent editions of encyclopedias prefer the German spelling, and the local government uses the German spelling on English websites. The English pronunciation, with stress on the first syllable, is applied to both the German and English spellings, which is different from German pronunciation, with stress on the second syllable and a long second vowel. The traditional English spelling is still used in historical contexts, especially when referring to the British House of Hanover.

Hanover or Hannover is the capital and largest city of the German state of Lower Saxony, and its 535,061 (2017) inhabitants make it the thirteenth-largest city of

Germany, as well as the third-largest city of Northern Germany after Hamburg and Bremen. The city lies at the confluence of the River Leine and its tributary Ihme, in the south of the North German Plain, and is the largest city of the Hannover–Braunschweig–Göttingen–Wolfsburg Metropolitan Region.

The Hanover fairground, due to numerous extensions, especially for the Expo 2000, is the largest in the world. Hanover hosts annual commercial trade fairs such as the Hanover Fair and up to 2018 the CeBIT. The IAA Commercial Vehicles show takes place every two years. It is the world's leading trade show for transport, logistics and mobility. Every year Hanover hosts the Schützenfest Hannover, the world's largest marksmen's festival, and the Oktoberfest Hannover.

My personal experience

Most classes are 10 minutes away from the major dorms on campus. All meetings opened my mind and increased my skills in English and in German as well.

About the University, I studied Environment and Development. The **list of courses for the Major** is the following:

Quantitative Development Economics: Data collection and Micro, Macro and Trade Models, International Business Relations/ International Development and Trade and Seminar Asian Economies/ International Economics,

International Finance: Development Finance and Social Protection.

After those days in this school, I can say that Hannover is an amazing place where I could learn more about my field, know new people from all over the world and discover an amazing culture. This university gives me a good experience and a great opportunity to understand Germany.

Although in the beginning was a little bit hard to understand the topic and way of studying in Germany. I enjoyed structure and punctuality so this way of learning suites me perfectly.

I feel that I am growing both intellectually and culturally. The resources that are at hand of students provide them with a valuable tool to feel satisfied and secured both at the time they are leaning and in term of their future outlooks.

There are a number of career days throughout the year, in addition to several courses that intend to provide information, guidance and skill to be aware and prepared for the career chooses to be more successful in the future career ahead.

I like everything about the way the courses are taught. It is always interactive, flexible and carefully tailored to suit the needs of the students.

Support system is brilliant. Both kind of support whether academically and personally provide a good ground for the students to feel comfortable and well supported.

Overall, my university experience has been an extremely positive one. LUH is an amazing place to learn. The campus itself is very beautiful and the lecturers very passionate and helpful regarding their subject. The facilities such as the library and canteens are also excellent. Even on days where I only I have one class, I can still spend the whole day on campus as there is always something to do.

I'm very thankful for this opportunity!