

*Preparation prior to my stay (planning, organization and application).*

Everything was fine. The semester abroad is mandatory for my course, so the mechanism is well-functioning. I received money in time, I was always updated via e-mail and everything in the application process went good. Good support from LUH International Office.

*Housing.*

Living in Vienna is not so expensive as I thought. I found a room in the suburbs for 420 euros per month. Dorms are usually full and it's hard to get comfortable place. Living with an Austrian helped me in getting closer to the city and I recommend it to everybody.

*Studying in BOKU.*

Studying In BOKU is hard. The University has, overall, a high education level. The biggest challenge I faced was about the course registration: in the first month I had to plan 9 classes for a total of 30 ECTS and they were always overlapping. Moreover, all the course planning I've made before coming to BOKU was useless because you don't know the timetable of the courses until you officially register in BOKU.

Despite all these bureaucratic issues, the studying environment was exciting, classmates were interesting and I learnt a lot.

*Off-campus life.*

Vienna is a lovely city. Every corner has a café ready to host you and offer you a warm coffee, in a old fashion or either contemporary environment. Vienna offers a plenty of cultural, musical and artistic events all over the year. In summer, many open-air festivals are organized on the Danube.

Solely the dispersion of people is a bad aspect of Erasmus in Vienna. It is difficult to gather together all the 3 Erasmus groups in the city.

*Conclusions*

Generally, I had a great experience and I would suggest it to everybody. Thank you for the chance you gave me. Thanks also Erasmus + programme.