

Report about my stay at Leibniz Universität Hannover from September – December 2014

1. Personal introduction:

My name is Natalia Kuklina. I'm from St. Petersburg, Russia. I'm a student in State Polytechnical University and its last year of my study. I was in Germany a short time, only 4 months for research work on department of Turbomachinery.

2. Language:

English

3. Hannover / Germany:

Hannover not so big city, despite of that, every day you can find interesting activities.

People in Hannover very kind and everybody try to help you.

And also, I think, the german public transports have convenient schedule of movement.

4. Deutsche Hochschulsystem / Germany's University System:

At the first time it was not so easy to understand the card-systems in the library, sportscenter and mensa. But after that I understood that it is useful, comfortable and you can save some time.

Everything in Hannover done for the best study, there are all the conditions for student learning.

5. Your studies:

I'm studying the Mechanical Engineering. I will be graduate master degree program at this summer.

In Germany I had research work for my future master's thesis and for cooperative article.

6. Culture Shock?!:

I didn't have a culture shock, because I had traveled a lot of in Europe.

But I was very surprised when I had known that everybody doesn't work on Sunday. And besides the most of all I liked the bike paths and separating waste.

7. Recommendations for other students

I recommend for everybody:

- learn German language,
- participate in all international activities (international office has so much interesting things)

- meet new people

8. Conclusion of your whole stay in Germany!

It was very interesting and unusual experience for me. I met new people and found new friends from different countries. Here I started to learn German language, and I'm going to continuing to do this.

And the most important things, that it was a good experience for my study in Turbomachinery and exchange of experience in this field between institutions.