

## ERASMUS-EXPERIENCE REPORT

**Name: Anonymous**

**Field of study: Safety in the Food Chain**

**Host University: University of Copenhagen**

**Year of study: Winter semester 24/25**

**Duration of stay: from September 2024 to January 2025**

### **Publication of the report**

I consent to the publication of this experience report including the above data (field of study, host university, year of study, duration of stay) on the website of BOKU-International Relations for the purpose of sharing information related to the study visit, so that future interested outgoings can inform themselves about your experience at the host institution.

☒yes ☐no

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**THE FOLLOWING ASPECTS WOULD BE INTERESTING FOR FUTURE OUTGOINGS:**

1. City, country and people + social integration
  2. Accommodation
  3. Costs and expenses
  4. Arrival and departure (mean of transport)
  5. Other (visa, insurance, etc.)
  6. Description of host university
  7. Application and enrollment formalities and orientation phase
  8. Course offer and attended courses (short description and possibly grading)
  9. "Study workload" (ECTS) per semester + grading
  10. Academic counseling/support
  11. Tips and summary
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1. Copenhagen is a beautiful city with a vibrant energy. The locals are very kind and always helpful, but the city is also very international. During my stay, I met many people and never felt lonely or excluded. I made both international and Danish friends.
  2. Finding accommodation in Copenhagen can be quite challenging. The best solution is to book a student room through the Housing Foundation, where Erasmus students are given priority in securing a room.
  3. Copenhagen is quite an expensive city. Eating out and buying coffee can be costly; however, supermarket prices are surprisingly only slightly higher compared to the rest of Europe. Eating at the university cafeteria is also quite affordable.
  4. There are frequent direct flights between Copenhagen and Vienna.
  5. I did not require a visa, and I was able to use my existing insurance.
  6. The University of Copenhagen is ranked among the best universities worldwide, and for good reason. The teaching system is slightly different, with a strong emphasis on group projects. The semester is divided into two blocks, each with two courses, which makes the system highly organized. It is also convenient that one day per week is lecture-free.
  7. Everything was perfectly organized.
  8. The grading system is different, with five passing grades instead of four. Most of the courses I attended were related to food microbiology. I also took a beer brewing course, which was very interesting but also quite challenging. Passing an exam requires some dedicated study time, but for exchange I gained a lot of knowledge.
  9. The semester is divided into two blocks, and in each block, two courses run simultaneously, each worth 7.5 ECTS. When selecting courses, it is very important to ensure that they do not overlap. However, all necessary information about the course schedule is available on the university's website.
  10. I did not have any personal experience with academic counseling, but the professors were very helpful and kind.
  11. It is not as cold in Denmark as people expect! 😊