

STUDY ABROAD REPORT

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BASIC INFORMATION

1. Name of student: **Anonym**

Study programme: **H 066 416**
2. Host university: **Lincoln University**
Host country: **New Zealand**
3. Your period
of stay: from **12 July 2024** to **8th November 2024**
Study year: **2024**

FEEDBACK FOR FUTURE STUDENTS

4. Information about the host university. How helpful were the following sources of information?

(Please enter a number between 1 and 5, where 1 = not helpful and 5 = very helpful):

Homepage of the host university	3
Students / friends	4
Teachers at BOKU	1
Curricula	3
Host university	4
BOKU International Relations	3
Other:	

5. How would you evaluate your ability in the language of the host university?

(1 = weak to 5 = excellent)

	Before your stay abroad					After your stay abroad				
	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Reading	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Listening	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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6. Languages of care/support at the host university and their use in percentage:Language of care was German: ☐ Yes ☒ No

1.) English	100 %	3.)	%
2.)	%	4.)	%

What recommendations would you give to future students about the host country and university? (Questions 7 -14) Please give tips, sources of information, contacts, and links**7. Host country**

Spend some time travelling, it is an amazing country to travel! Very diverse and stunning, however, not cheap! Make sure you have sufficient funds, otherwise Prague may be the better option. And for travelling and going around a car will be essential! Public transport is bad!

8. Host university

LU is pretty straightforward! It will take some time in the beginning to get familiar with the websites, but if you get around boku learn and boku online, you'll manage that as well. At the campus everything is close by, so you hadly have long distances to go. I'd just recommend arriving in New Zealand at least one week before the semester starts. In order for you to attend the welcoming days connect with other international students and so on!

9. To what extent did you feel socially integrated?

(1 = not at all to 5 = very well)	1	2	3	4	5
in the local culture/community in general	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
with students at the host university	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
with international students at the host university	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

10. Which contact person (at BOKU/the host university) helped you organise your stay abroad?

Hui Li (LU), Eleonora Coni (BOKU), NARMEE tutors

11. How would evaluate the general advice and help given in administrative matters?

(Please give a number between 1 and 5, where 1 = not helpful and 5 = very helpful)

at BOKU International Relations	2
from teachers at BOKU	2
from the host university	4
from students at the host university	3
from others:	

12. Registration process, financial support, other requirements

The registration process takes time and is a bit complicated, but you'll manage. Financial support will not cover all your expenses! By far not! Even if you do not intend to travel! Groceries are about the same costs as in Vienna, energy is expensive and only to a certain degree covered in the student flats on the campus!

13. Can you give advice and suggestions regarding the social aspect of your host country/university (cultural differences, importance of language ability etc.)?

Try to join clubs, attend social events, engage with people and enjoy life!

14. Were there events organised especially for exchange students during your stay?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please indicate which ones:

International day, photo competition

ACCOMMODATION, SERVICES, AND COSTS**15. What was your primary residence during your stay?**

- ☒ Student dormitory ☐ Hotel / guest house
☐ Room in a private apartment ☐ own private apartment
☐ Flat share with other students

16. Who helped you look for accommodation?

- ☒ Host university ☐ Friends/family
☐ Housing market ☐ Other:

17. How helpful was the host university in looking for a room?

(1 = not helpful to 5 = very helpful)

☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☒ 4 ☐ 5

18. How would you evaluate the quality of the accommodation? (1 = poor to 5 = excellent)

☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☒ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5

19. How would you evaluate the availability and/or accessibility of assistance given during your studies (regarding for example the library, computer rooms, labs, equipment etc.)?

(1 = poor to 5 = excellent)

☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☒ 4 ☐ 5

20. How would you evaluate the accessibility and/or quality of computers and email services at the host university?

(1 = poor to 5 = excellent)

☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☒ 4 ☐ 5

21. Expenses during your stay abroad (in Euros):

Travel costs (for a single return journey): 2000 €

Overall expenses per month (inc. Accommodation) 1500 €

Breakdown:

Accommodation	650	€ / Month
Food	200	€ / Month
Travel costs at place of study	5	€ / Month
Costs for books, photocopying, etc.	0	€ / Month
Study fees	200	€ / Month
Other: travelling	400	€ / Month

OVERALL ASSESSMENT

22. How would you evaluate your stay abroad from an academic point of view?

(1 = poor to 5 = excellent):

☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☒ 4 ☐ 5

23. How would you evaluate your stay abroad from a personal point of view?

(1 = unsatisfactory to 5 = highly satisfactory):

☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☒ 4 ☐ 5

24. Which aspects of your stay abroad did you like the most?

From an academic point of view:

different perspectives of the environment, environmental management and Europe. Gaining knowledge about indigenous practices was pretty fascinating!

From a social/cultural point of view:

Maori culture is quite interesting! Engage with it!

25. Did you have any problems during your stay abroad?

Of course, like getting the car registered and stuff, but nothing impossible.

26. Will your academic progress at BOKU be hindered as a result of your stay abroad?

☐ Yes

☒ No

☐ I don't know

If yes, please explain why:

27. How could the Joint Study and student exchange programme be improved in your opinion?

The information exchange between BOKU and LU could be enhanced. More automated exchange of information so that students have to do less work and logistics.

General Report

Short feedback on your stay: attended lectures, seminars, excursions, etc.

Other things you found interesting, you think future students should know, problems, general tips and recommendations...

I did ECOL 630 Advanced Ecology, the class was quite interesting and I learned a lot, got more comfortable in R. It was a great learning atmosphere and the teacher very kind.

Also not too hard to pass.

Another class I attended was ERST 633 Integrated Environmental Management. I learned the most in this class. Had a few eye openers, really cool learning outcomes. However, the workload was a lot! Nevertheless, quite satisfying class, and I'm grateful I took it.

The last one I did was the mandatory Aspects of sustainability. Yeah... Didn't learn as much here. We heard about the majority of the aspects already. I would have preferred to do another class like wildlife management for example. But since it is mandatory, there was no choice.

The last two questions

What did you gain the most out of your stay abroad?
Friends, knowledge and new perspectives.

Which particular piece of advice would you give interested students?
Do it! It's a great experience that you'll never forget! A once in a lifetime chance.

Many thanks for your support!

Publication of this report

I agree that this report, including the above data (field of study, host university, year of study, length of stay), will be published on the website of BOKU International Relations for the purpose of exchanging information on the study visit, so that future interested outgoings can be informed about your experience at the host institution.

☒ Yes ☐ No

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