

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 **08 July 2025** to **08 November 2025**

Study year: **2025**

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	4
Students / friends	5
Teachers at BOKU	3
Curricula	1
Host university	5
BOKU International Relations	4
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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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

Having a car is definitely helpful when you want to travel around as public transport is not the best. Side jobs are relatively easy to get. Weather can change really quick so be prepared for any conditions. Buy sunscreen here and put it on every day, the sun is very aggressive. People are way nicer than in Austria and very helpful.

The Department of Conservation webpage is very helpful when it comes to plan hikes.

If you have a car, there is the app Gaspy, it shows the fuel prices so you can find the cheapest.

If you want to camp there is the App CamperMate which has lots of useful information around camping.

Get reward cards for New world and Woolsworht (supermarkets) to save some money.

Wise account for paying could save you also some money.

8. Host university

Workload might seem overwhelming at the beginning but you will make it. You have a lot of time, and if you keep up with the assignments it will be fine. But you definitely have to work on your assignments.

There is a lot of helpful people around, you can ask, and they are always really nice.

Attending the clubs at University is a great way to meet people and maybe start some new hobbies.

I would try to find a flat in Lincoln without using the student accommodation as it is quite expensive.

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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

Hui Li at Lincoln University.

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	3
from teachers at BOKU	1
from the host university	5
from students at the host university	4
from others:	

12. Registration process, financial support, other requirements

Registration takes some time and it is important to keep an overview about the process. Financial support is limited, as it was only the scholarship.

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

People are very helpful and patient even if your language skills are not the best. As there is a lot of different cultures around (many international students) people are open minded.

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

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please indicate which ones:

There were a few, you can find them on the LUSA website or on their Instagram. Also posters around University show you a lot of events. there was an international dinner or international wellbeing etc.

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): 1900 €

Overall expenses per month (inc. Accommodation) 900 €

Breakdown:

Accommodation		580	€ / Month
Food		300	€ / Month
Travel costs at place of study			€ / Month
Costs for books, photocopying, etc.			€ / Month
Study fees			€ / Month
Other:	insurance and phone	100	€ / 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:

We had to do a lot of writing which was good exercise.

From a social/cultural point of view:

I met a lot of international students therefore I learnt a lot about their cultures.

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

The workload is a lot, don't underestimate that.

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?

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 had 3 courses, each of them were 10 ECTs. They were: Integrated Environmental Management, Aspects of sustainability and Methods of social science. I only had to do assignments and no exams. The assignments were quite big, there was regularly homework and also assignments during the semester, not only at the end.

The last two questions

What did you gain the most out of your stay abroad?

Information about how New Zealand is doing conservation. I am very thankful for all the friends I made there.

Which particular piece of advice would you give interested students?

If you have the opportunity to do it, go for it.

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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