

# 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. February 2020** to **26. June 2020**  
 Study year: **2019/20**

## 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	5
Teachers at BOKU	2
Curricula	3
Host university	5
Centre for 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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Speaking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<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"/>
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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**

South Island does not have good public transport, especially to more remote hiking spots. You will have to get a car if you plan on travelling a lot.

**8. Host university**

Living on campus is a lot of fun, but expect there to be a lot of undergrad students.

**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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
with students at the host university	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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?**

BOKU: [REDACTED]  
 Lincoln: [REDACTED]

**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 the Center for International Relations	3
from teachers at BOKU	2
from the host university	5
from students at the host university	
from others:	

**12. Registration process, financial support, other requirements**

Registration on the BOKU website is complicated and doesn't always work.

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

Kiwi accents are sometimes hard to understand, even if your English is good. People wear outdoor clothing to most occasions.  
If you choose to live on campus go to all the events, it will help you meet new people.

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

Yes       No

**If yes, please indicate which ones:**  
international dinner

**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



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?

using ERST630 as a mandatory class does not really make sense for people who are doing 'risk management and ecological engineering'. I feel like the class didn't teach me anything that I would need to know, and further a lot of background knowledge is required to understand the contents.

## 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...

Attended lectures:

ERST 630 - Environmental Policy and Planning

SOSC 629 - Soil Physics

BIOS 604 - Advanced Toxicology

recommendation: look for classes that have field trips

Join a lot of activities to meet new people - and be prepared to hike.

## The last two questions

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

I gained good new friends and a deep appreciation for beautiful nature.

**Which particular piece of advice would you give interested students?**

Definitely apply to go to LU. It is a great time. Once you are there, don't be too shy to ask questions or talk to people.

**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 the Center for 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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