



Quality assurance

Overall evaluation of the organization (by students)

			Number of forms received
1	HA	Haarlem - Netherlands	17
2	EI	Eindhoven - Netherlands	
3	BE	Bergen - Norway	3
4	IP	Ipswich - UK	
5	DU	Dublin - Ireland	2
6	TU	Turku - Finland	3
7	MA	Malta	16
8	CO	Coimbra - Portugal	4
9	BF	Belfast - UK	
10	AT	Athens - Greece	
11	PO	Porto - Portugal	5
12	LU	Lund - Sweden	3
12	CB	Ceske Budejovice - Czech Rep.	5
13	Anon	Unknown destination	3

TO:	Ha	Ha rt	Ei	Be	Be rt	Ip	Ip rt	Du	Tu	Ma	Co	Bf	Bf rt	At	Po	Po rt	Lu	CB	Tot
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FROM:

Haarlem								2	3										
Eindhoven																			
Bergen																	2	1	
Ipswich	1				1					3									
Dublin				2						6	4				2			2	
Turku										3									
Malta	5																		
Coimbra				1													1	2	
Belfast	7									4					3				
Athens																			
Porto	4																		
Lund																			
C.Budejovice																			
Anon																			
Total rd	17			3				2		16	4						3	5	50
Total rt					1				3						5				9

NB: Based on figures from the evaluation forms. Corrections will be welcomed and recorded.

1: Information received in advance on:

Rating: 1. Very poor 2. Below average 3. Satisfactory 4. Good 5. Excellent

Rating	HA	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	BF	AT	PO	LU	CB	Total
1													
2	2	1										1	
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4	6			2	1	2	4			3		3	
5	8	2				14				1	3		

1.1 host institution

Rating	HA	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	BF	AT	PO	LU	CB	Total
1												2	
2	2	2											
3	2				2	4				3		2	
4	7			2	1	8	2			1		1	
5	6	2				4	2			1	3		

1.2 living accommodation

Rating	HA	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	BF	AT	PO	LU	CB	Total
1													
2	1				2							1	
3	2				1	4				1		1	
4	11	2		2		6	1			2		2	
5	3	1				6	3			2	3	1	

1.3 travel arrangements

Rating	HA	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	BF	AT	PO	LU	CB	Total
1		1											
2	1			1							2	1	
3	2	1		1	1	4				1		3	
4	11	1			2	6	1			4		1	
5	3					6	3				1		

1.4 cost of living

Rating	HA	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	BF	AT	PO	LU	CB	Total
1													
2													
3	1	1			1					1		1	
4	6	2		2	2	4	4			2		1	
5	10					12				2	3	3	

1.5 host country

Comments:

Haarlem:

- Comments for Haarlem were all very good apart from...
- School at Haarlem is beautiful and so are the teachers.
- Would have been good to learn more about Holland and the course there prior to Erasmus. Cost of living similar in both countries.
- We didn't receive any information about the program...
- the information was all good but some of it was shot notice
- All's well that ends well!!!!

- Great information received from the host university beforehand. It was very helpful and made preparation much easier. Also info from landlady in host country was very informative and helpful.
- Quick response regarding any problems

Bergen:

- I was originally due to travel to Finland but a month before I was due to leave they told me they could not accommodate for me. Norway very kindly accepted me at late notice and managed to get the information to be as soon as possible which i much appreciated. I was aware that Norway was very expensive and was given a price list of the cost of certain necessities before i left, but i did not realise just how expensive the cost of living or the impact it would have on my stay was until I got here.
- I didn't like the weather and is very expensive but the rest is good,all the people helped me ,so nothing to say about this.

Turku:

- It was better if we could get a buspass because we paid a lot of money for the bus in the first few days.

Malta:

- It was more expensive than i thought - but i was great though.
- Jonathan Porteli kept in touch by email with the necessary information prior to my arrival to Malta. It was efficient and straight to the point.
- over all it was a great experience. Recommend it all my friends. Adequate information prior to arrival.
- over all it was a great experience.
- Lots of forms but we got there in the end. Doesn't seem like the maltese bus system should work with the old buses but it really does
- over all it was a great experience. Recommend it all my friends. Living and working abroad is a wonderful and unforgettable experience.
- This experience has been extremely beneficial to me. Furthermore I really believe that this experience will have a positive effect on my chosen career.

Coimbra:

- We knew a lot before we came over like the costs and where we were going to live.
- Adelino had sent us lots of information prior to our arrival.

Lund:

- Enjoyed it a lot
- Initially I have had some problems about the accommodation because Lund House Office take very long time give me the right information about that. But after the problem was solved

2: TRAVEL from home to host country

2.1 comfort

Rating: 1. Very poor 2. Below average 3. Satisfactory 4. Good 5. Excellent

Rating	HA	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	BF	AT	PO	LU	CB	Total
1													
2						2							
3					1	4						2	
4	9	1		2	2	4	3			3	1	1	
5	8	2				6	1			1	2	2	

2: TRAVEL from home to host country

2.2 Did you have any problems to find your accommodation?

H	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	PO	LU	CB												
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Y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n		
	17		3		2		3		14		4		5		1		2		1		4

Comments:

Haarlem:

- It was very nice of the Dutch students to pick us up from the airport and to help us with the luggage (Malta)
- We were welcomed by the students. It was very nice, because we did not have to panic. They just took us to the hostel by their own car (Malta),
- The Dutch students were very helpful, collected us at the airport and drove us until accommodation. My suitcase got lost at the airport which made us over an hour late and the students continued to wait for us. This was very much appreciated (Belfast)
- ...accommodation and took us to college the first day as well....
- We didn't have any problems finding the accommodation....
- It was nice to have students meeting us at the airport! It would have been hard to find our pension without them.
- Dutch student met us at the airport, this was very useful.
...eling we had to make every day to get to school, we s.....
Could have had a bigger room, and smoking!!!!
- The students from the host institution met us at the airport and took us right to our accommodation. They were really helpful and friendly from the start!
- The accommodation was very comfortable and very reasonably priced. We received help whenever we need it.

Bergen:

- there is no direct flight from Dublin to Bergen, but i found SAS a good airline to travel with they were not too strict about my luggage weight or the amount of bags I had, which I thought was quite important as I was living here for three months and therefore my luggage was heavy. i also found the flights very satisfactory.

Turku:

- That was because of the tutors they bring us to our apartment and show us a lot

Malta:

- A few problems. Faulty electrics etc. But friendly staff and prompt reaction to requests for repairs or replacements.
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Porto:

- We were collected from the train station and brought to our accommodation. Introduced to our landlady and any questions and answers were translated very well
- We were received very well and brought to our accommodation

Dublin:

- There was a student waiting for us at the busstop and she brought us to our apartment.

Coimbra:

- The coordinator picked us up.

- Adelino had all our accomodation arranged before we arrived.
- Adelino collected us and took us straight to our apartment.

Porto:

- We were collected from the train station and brought to our accommodation. Introduced to our landlady and any questions and answers were translated very well
- We were received very well and brought to our accommodation
- Was very good. Member of staff collected us from the airport and drove us to accommodation

Lund:

- We faced some problems initially. However, with the help of the coordinators and the housing office, we managed to find it eventually.
- The accommodation was in excellent condition

3. Language study

3.1 In your own country:

Rating: 1. Very poor 2. Below average 3. Satisfactory 4. Good 5. Excellent

Rating	HA	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	BF	AT	PO	LU	CB	Total
1	9						1			1		3	
2					1	3	3			1		1	
3	3	2			2					2		1	
4	3			2		1				1	2		
5	2	1				12							

3.2 In the host country:

Rating: 1. Very poor 2. Below average 3. Satisfactory 4. Good 5. Excellent

Rating	HA	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	BF	AT	PO	LU	CB	Total
1	3											1	
2	2									2		1	
3	7	1				1	2			1		2	
4	2	2		2	3	6	2			2	2	4	
5	2					8					1		

Comments:

Haarlem:

- No dutch language course was provided at home be.....
We only had one language class during the 13 wee.....
- We had one language class. More classes are required. It would have been useful to have learnt a few phrases for clinical.
- Had a 2 hour language class, was difficult to learn. However everyone can speak English so it was not a problem.
- No Dutch lessons at home and only 3 hours in Holland.
...e just had an 3 hour class. We didn't learn that much.
- No language study in home institution. Only 2 hours in host country but course was very good.
- Loads of language schools at good prices.
- We had only a 2 hour class where we learned so.....
- consisted of one, 2 hour lecture in the second week, amd nothing at home ... useless!
- We only had one class timetabled which was very poor and a waste of time unfortunately. However, the need to speak the language ia minimal as everyone speaks very good English!
- Only had 1 lesson were we learnt some Dutch. Would have been interesting to learn a little more.

Bergen:

- my collage did not offer a language course in Norwegian, but they did inform me that there is a language school that offers a wide range of language courses although its very expensive. Norway offered a language course for us that i found very helpful but we only had about six classes and i felt that more classes would have been very useful. most Norwegians have an excellent standard of English an are very willing to speak English so it was very easy to communicate with everybody.
- Found language a hard barrier.

Turku:

- In my home country I did it by myself

Malta:

- I absolutely loved learning Maltese language. Teh lecturer is very enthusiastic and very kind.
- maltese languauge was very interesting, it was really good to get a chance to learn it.
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- I think learning Maltese was such a good experience. We learned a lot considering the amount of time spent on it with classes and homework. I can speak maltese!
- No problems learning a few words of Maltese. Hope I can remember it in a few years
- I think learning Maltese was such a good experience. We learned a lot considering the amount of time spent on it with classes and homework.
- Maltese classes and overall living in Malta was made extremely easy due to the ability of the Maltese people being able to speak a high level of English.
- Classes given regularly in Maltese language, and host language still very evident in all parts of the island, as opposed to the limited areas of Irish speaking regions.

Coimbra:

- no previous language course in home country.
- We had loads of portuguese classes when we got here which we badly needed.

Lund:

- Didn't learn any Swedish before I came but the 9 day crash course was very good.

Ceske Budejovice:

- Czech is a very difficult language.

4. Living accommodation**4.1 comfort:**

Rating: 1. Very poor 2. Below average 3. Satisfactory 4. Good 5. Excellent

Rating	HA	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	BF	AT	PO	LU	CB	Total
1													
2					1					1		1	
3	2	2			1	12				2		2	
4	10	1		1	1	3				2		2	
5	5			1		1	4				3		

4.2 costs:

Rating: 1. Very cheap 2. Below home level 3. Same level 4. More expensive 5. Very expensive

Rating	HA	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	BF	AT	PO	LU	CB	Total
1							3						
2	4					7	1			3	1	3	
3	8				2	8					1		
4	5	2		1	1	1				1	1	2	
5		1		1						1			

Comments:

Haarlem:

- Accommodation was ok, zaandvoort was a nice place....
- The pension we stayed in was a little small and lack....
- The pension was nice, however maybe a little cramped for 19 people! Carla was a great landlord; friendly and accommodating.
- ...residential area of Zandvoort, very calm and quite nice.
- I would love to get stayed in the Erasmus hostel in H....
- ...which is 7 minutes from InHolland University).
- Excellent accommodation in Pension Zandvoort aan Zee, very comfortable and reasonably priced.
- Grand
- Accommodation was clean and comfortable. We did have to share rooms for 3 months and it was a little overcrowded at times, but it was very good in the long run.
- Not far from school. Not expensive & owner extremely helpful.
- Accommodation was very nice, very satisfied.. host of the accommodation was very helpful.

Bergen:

- the cost of the accommodation was more expensive than I have paid in Ireland but that is due to the high cost of living here, relative to the price of accommodation here in Norway this accommodation was considered very cheap.
- I found the accommodation very satisfactory, I had my own room but shared the kitchen with lots of other students so it was a good way to meet people and make friends, the location was excellent for school and for working in the hospital, we were within walking distance. although it was quite far from the town, we had to get a bus there.

Malta:

- Garden View Holiday Complex is adequate. However I found the apartment cold especially in January and February. But the management people are lovely.
- it was quite expensive for what it was-but it was good never the less!
- Garden view was very reasonably priced. It was fun because we all lived in the one complex, I definitely recommend placing Erasmus students in accommodation close to one another.
- Garden View is very well situated for entertainment and travel. The proprietor needs to be kept on a short leash as he would rip students off if he got a chance. When asked by Paul to reduce the cost of the washing machine he said to us there was a deal, disappeared for two weeks and then made it difficult to bulk buy so no reduction was got in the end. All in all very good though
- very cheap. grand to live in, minus the ants and cockroaches!!!
- Garden view was brilliant.
- Garden view was very reasonably priced. It was fun because we all lived in the one complex, I definitely recommend placing Erasmus students in accommodation close to one another. Visitors could stay, fun!
- Garden View complex was very centrally situated and had good overall facilities, particularly the use of the fitness suite.
- We had a problem with ants in our apartment.

Coimbra:

- Apartment was beautiful and in an excellent location.

Porto:

- Very expensive considering we had to share rooms and beds. Poor shower facility.

Lund:

- Very nice apartment, but also very expensive

Ceske Budejovice:

- Found accommodation in Prague very expensive for what it was. Accommodation in Ceske Budejovice was excellent.
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5. Domestic travel**5.1 to and from school**

Rating: 1. Very poor 2. Below average 3. Satisfactory 4. Good 5. Excellent

5.2 costs:

Rating	HA	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	BF	AT	PO	LU	CB	Total
1													
2										1		1	
3	1					6	1			2	1		
4	13			1	2	5	2			2	2	4	
5	3	3		1	1	4	1						

Rating: 1. Very cheap 2. Below home level 3. Same level 4. More expensive 5. Very expensive

5.3 To and from hospital - comfort

Rating	HA	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	BF	AT	PO	LU	CB	Total
1	1	3		1		13	2			1		4	
2	7				1	3	2			2	1	1	
3	1			1	1						2		
4	6				1								
5	2									2			

Rating: 1. Very poor 2. Below average 3. Satisfactory 4. Good 5. Excellent

5.4 To and from hospital - cost

Rating	HA	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	BF	AT	PO	LU	CB	Total
1						1							
2												2	
3	4	1		2		6	1				1		
4	12			1	2	5	2			4	1	4	
5	1	2			1	4	1			1	1		

Rating: 1. Very cheap 2. Below home level 3. Same level 4. More expensive 5. Very expensive

Rating	HA	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	BF	AT	PO	LU	CB	Total
1		1		1		13	2			1		4	
2	1				1	3	2			2	1	1	
3	1				2						2		
4	8	2		1						1			
5	7									1			

Comments:

Haarlem:

- 5. A train discount card is worth getting as we used the ...
The rail networks in the Netherlands are excellent s.....
- As clinical centres were often far away it was expensive to get there. Students should be advised to buy the discount card.
- Placement hospital was very far away and cost a lot to get to!
- The costs of train are too expensive, and because I.....
...although I am not used to long distance traveling for w.....
...kets, and that made the cost of living quite expensive.
- Depending on where you are on placement it can be expensive to travel. But it is only a two days so it isn't too bad.
- Expensive travelling to hospital as it was very far from Haarlem, but it was very good, and it wasn't too expensive to get about!
- No trains back home just very cheap bus services.....
- The hospital we had placement at was quite far. It took us quite a while to reach our destination.

Bergen:

- Location of accommodation in relation to school and hospital, I could throw a stone. Very good for the mornings.

Dublin:

- In the Netherlands students can travel for free during the week or weekend
- I walked to the hospital and to school

Malta:

- Cheap bus fares anywhere on the island. 47 cents.
- I travelled to and from the hospital by foot which I enjoyed thoroughly.
- we walked there!!!
- we walked there!!!
- we walked there!!! Everywhere was very close. Buses were available and were very cheap.
- we walked there!!! Everywhere was very close. Buses were available and were very cheap but it was quicker to not wait for a bus.
- Walking up that hill is something I will not miss. The buses are great though once you get used to them. It'll be a shock to the system having to pay 1.50 for a bus
- we walked to and from school and the hospital
- Walked to and from hospital, although I had very comfortable shoes! Cheap also!
- Kept active by walking to and from the Hospital and classes. Any time we required buses, they ran very regular and were also extremely cheap.

Coimbra:

- Once we had our bus cards, getting the bus was very easy.
- the buses were very regular.

Lund:

- The bus was the more used transport to go to the hospital and school. They aren't very expensive and very comfortable

Ceske Budejovice:

- hours on 2 buses + 2 trains to hospital
- travelling 3 hrs everyday going to + from hospital was very annoying

6. Cost of living

6.1 food:

Rating: 1. Very cheap 2. Below home level 3. Same level 4. More expensive 5. Very expensive

Rating	HA	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	BF	AT	PO	LU	CB	Total
1	1					9						3	
2	6					7				1		2	
3	1						1			2	1		
4	7			1	2		2			2	2		
5	2	3		1	1		1						

6.2 transport:

Rating: 1. Very cheap 2. Below home level 3. Same level 4. More expensive 5. Very expensive

Rating	HA	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	BF	AT	PO	LU	CB	Total
1												1	
2					1							2	
3	2			1	1	12						1	
4	10			1	1	3				4		1	
5	5					1	4			1	3		

6.3 social life:

Rating: 1. Very cheap 2. Below home level 3. Same level 4. More expensive 5. Very expensive

Rating	HA	BE	IP	DU	TU	MA	CO	BF	AT	PO	LU	CB	Total
1							3			1		1	
2	3					4	1			3		2	
3	9			2	1	11	1				3	2	
4	2	1			2	1	1						
5		2											

Comments:

Haarlem:

- The food and drink probably lightly cheaper than home....
...planning to go out it's more expensive than Portugal.
- Food is of the same quality and price. Transport is a bit more expensive and so is going out.
- Most things in the Netherlands were the same cost.....
- Compared with Portugal the drinks and transports were.....
- Excellent train and bus networks. I would suggest getting a discount card for train travel, it significantly reduced cost of daily travel.
- We were surprised that the food was more or less.....
- Travel on trains is really cheap, but only if you buy an annual discount card for 55 euro.
- Compared to Belfast the overall cost of living is probably cheaper but not by very much.
- Compared to Malta, the cost of living is definitely higher

Bergen:

- Everything is expensive

Turku:

- Food in supermarket is more expensive; student cafeterias are very cheap, it evened out so I checked "same level"

Malta:

- public transport was very cheap, taxis were quiet expensive, Food was similarly priced to home, except for eating out!
- Food is about the same, buses are very cheep and Paceville is mega
- public transport was very cheap, taxis were quiet expensive
- public transport was very cheap, taxis were quiet expensive.
- Paceville, and main nightlife was very reasonable to socialise! Eating out was also very reasonable compared to Irelands living standards.
- buses were cheap but taxis were expensive
- Found the cost of food and drink was very similar to prices at home in Northern Ireland, with the transport being particulary cheap. Taxis on the other hand could be quite expensive.

Coimbra:

- cost of living is a lot lower than at home.

7. Activities

7.1 Were there activities organized in which you could take part?

Social

HA		BE		IP		DU		TU		MA		CO		PO		LU		CB	
y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n
17		3				2		3		11	5	4		4		3		5	

7.2 Did these activities meet your needs?

Social

H A		BE		IP		DU		TU		MA		CO		PO		LU		CB	
y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n
	17	1	2			2		3		11	5	4		4		3		3	2

7.3 Were there activities organized in which you could take part?

Cultural

HA		BE		IP		DU		TU		MA		CO		PO		LU		CB	
y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n
17		2	1			2		3		16		4		4		3		5	

7.4 Did these activities meet your needs?

Cultural

HA		BE		IP		DU		TU		MA		CO		PO		LU		CB	
y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n
15	2	1	2			2		3		16	3	1		4		3		4	

Comments:

Haarlem:

- The day out in Amsterdam was a great chance to mix with the other ERASMUS students. The ESN Haarlem organised social events that were fun!
- ESN Haarlem organised a few things for us such as.....
- Activities were well organised both the cultural tour in Amsterdam and also the night activities.
- The dutch students and the ESN (Erasmus students).....
- The Erasmus student network had some events, and.....
 - ...here Maybe planning to go visit some towns nearby.
 - ... be more activities presented by the host institution and.....
- International Office ran an excursion to Amsterdam but I feel that it should have gone to another location as most students would already been to Amsterdam during their exchange. A location further.....
- Everything was very interesting to learn, still 3 mon.....
 - The ESN - Erasmus Student Network - is a really g.....
- The cultural lecture was too long and boring.
- There was a day trip organised for all the Erasmus students to go to a historical museum and to see the VOC, which was fun.
- The ESN organised parties and nights out on a regular basis.

Bergen:

- At the start were a few social activities but then due to placement of students outside host city they ceased. No cultural activities were offered.
- There is an international group that organises social events every week, also our class mates were very friendly and easy to socialise with. They also had a buddy system that helped with making friends.

Turku:

- The IAC and get international course were good for me

Malta:

- Part of the exchange included cultural visits hosted by a very friendly guide. Having all the students staying at the same site meant socialising was very easy.
- Very good fun.
- The cultural trips were fun and interesting! great way to get to see the country and learn about malta. Few more social activities would have been great, it would've been nice to have more contact with the radiography students in our host country.
- If we had been introduced to the Maltese Erasmus society earlier it would have been helpful but the trips with Vince Zamit were great
- The cultural trips were fun and interesting! great way to get to see the country and learn about malta. Few more social activities would have been great.
- The cultural trips were fun and interesting!
- Maltese culture: Tours around different cities were great!
- Cultural visits were both very useful and informative.
- Really enjoyed cultural trips around the island. A fantastic idea to show new people around the island.

Coimbra:

- We had loads of trips and dinners organised
- The trip to Lisbon was very enjoyable.
- Activities were a great opportunity to meet with other erasmus students outside our course and also to see places we may not of have a chance to visit. I thoroughly enjoyed them.

Porto:

- We explored the area ourselves and found it a great adventure!
- We explored the city ourselves it was a great adventure and very enjoyable

- A lot of activities were planned for us by the fellow students, they were very friendly!

Lund:

- It was interesting to get to know the host's culture

8. Problems

8.1 Were you informed from the start where you where you could find help in case of problems?

HA		BE		IP		DU		TU		MA		CO		PO		LU		CB	
y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n
15	2	3				2		3		15	1	4		5		3		4	1

8.2 Were you informed from the start about arrangements in case of illness?

HA		BE		IP		DU		TU		MA		CO		PO		LU		CB	
y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n	y	n
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8.3 Did you experience any serious problems during the exchange?

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8.4 If yes, was the problem adequately solved?

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15	2	3				2		3		12	4	4			1	3			

Comments:

Haarlem:

- No problems at all when we were here. Thankfully
- All was explained from the beginning.
- No problems at all apart from a few ants in the acco.....
- Did not experience any problems.
- .. support in case we needed to resolve any problems.
- International Office outlined where we could go should we have any problems within the first week of the exchange.
- I'm still waiting on my student card from the international office!
- Not much info received on this topic beforehand which was a little worrying, but we were told to ensure we had adequate travel and liability insurance in case of any illness or accidents.

Bergen:

- i did not feel that bergen had a lot to offer students and anything that i was on offer was very expensive.
- I did not experience any problems while I was here but the staff in the collage were very helpful and approachable and accommodating to my needs.
- I was stolen but i went to the police and i resolved the problem.

Malta:

- Fortunately I did not need hospital treatment or Dr advice but again Mr Portelli informed me beforehand in case I needed help to contact him and he would liase.
- Very helpful support from the staff of University and hospital. Cannot be faulted.
- The staff at the university of malta were very helpful with any problems that arose.
- Thanks to Paul and Jonathan for helping me when ill. I got very acquainted with the doctor in the pharmacy
- The staff at the university of malta were very helpful with any problems that arose.
- The staff at the university of malta were very helpful with any problems that arose.
- The staff at the university of malta were very helpful with any problems that arose. So friendly!
- Found the Staff in charge of the Erasmus exchange where very easy to speak to about any problems and illnesses and where more than helpful.
- needed some medical treatment, in which I received very fast and effective treatment.

Coimbra:

- Didnt experience any major problems at all.
- Our coordinator was always ready to help if we had any problems and expressed time and time again to contact him if anything was to happen.

Porto:

- At one stage there was a minor emergency which was quickly amended, but on calling 112 (emergency phone nubmer) there was no English translators available. We didn't need the emergency service in the end, but I thought it was dangerous in case of a serious emergency,

Ceske Budejovice:

- Very hard to get in contact when we were in Prague.

9. Funding**9.1 Did you receive ERASMUS funding?**

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9.2 Did you receive additional funding from home or host institution?

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9.3 Which costs of the exchange could you cover with your funding?**Haarlem:**

- Plane tickets and accommodation.
- Funding covered accommodation and maybe also the transport but extra funding of your own is not an option.
- The funding was relatively good, it paid for our retu.....
- Accommodation was covered however needed ones own money for living expenses but this would be the case at home also.

- Cost of living and flights.
- Accommodation
- ...from home country to host country and accommodation.
- Travel from home country to host country and accom....
- I could pay the house for the 3 months and a little pa.....
- Accomodation and possibly flights with return (this depends on home country distance from the Netherlands)
- accomodation and flight with return
- Plain tickets and 2 months of rent.
- Mainly rent with a little extra for travel. But it didn't arrive until 4-6 weeks into the exchange.
- Flight & accommodation
- The funding was sufficient to cover accommodation and the flight.
- Flight and accommodation.

Bergen:

- Accomodation, just about. maybe one fifth roughly.
- The only thing that I could cover was my accommodation, I think I should have had more funding as it was extremely expensive to live here, transport in and out of the city was extremely expensive, one student received a bus ticket for the three months while she was here I would have found that very helpful.
- Just the travel and the room

Dublin:

- 2,5 months rent
- Part of all the rent

Turku:

- The rent of my apartment for the 3 months + 3 month bus pass
- Rent of apartment for 4 months + 3 months bus pass.
- Paid our plane ticket and bit of living costs

Malta:

- Accommodation.
- just the accomodation.
- Whatever needs to be cover. It was good that I received funding but I would not have stopped fom coming to Malta if I did not have funding.
- The grant was expected to be larger than it turned out to be and was late coming. Also students from other unis got much more
- my accomodation only. I think more funding is definately required.
- Funding didn't even cover accommodation. Wasn't as much as we were originally told and it arrived too late.
- my accomodation only. I think more funding is definately required.
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- The accommodation.
- The accommodation.
- living costs and travel
- Travel and living expenses
- Accomodation costs
- Flights and accomodation was adequately covered with the funding provided.

Coimbra:

- The erasmus grant covered return flights and accomodation for the three months.
- Plane flight over and back and accommodation
- Flights and Accomadation were fully covered

Porto:

- Rent for 3 months
- The accommodation
- Erasmus grant covered accommodation and flights only.
- Flights and accommodation.
- 10 Erasmus was a great experience, Porto is a lovely city. The university was close to accommodation and the 3 hospitals were not too far from the accommodation. The students in the Radiography course were very friendly, as was the staff at the university and in the hospitals. I would definitely recommend Erasmus. However the accommodation was expensive considering I had to share a bed!

Lund:

- Housing and food
- Accommodation

Ceske Budejovice:

- Accommodation
- Accommodation
- Only the travel and the accommodation
- Travel to and from Czech Republic

10: Please give us your overall impression of this exchange and let us know what you think to have gained from this 'Erasmus experience':

Haarlem:

- Overall I would recommend the Netherlands as a good place to come on Erasmus exchange. The ultras...
Being in the Netherlands furthermore allowed travel to other countries such as France, Belgium and Germany...
I think everyone who gets the opportunity to go on ERASMUS should go. I have had a really enjoyable 3
The School is beautiful and the staff are very helpful.
Overall it was a great experience.
- I would recommend Holland as an exchange destination as the course was good. It was also a good place to travel around Europe from, as transport links are good.
- My stay in Holland was a great experience which I will never forget. I have not only.....
Haarlem is a great place to come on Erasmus, the ultrasound course was well organised and the lecture.....
Geert was a great teacher, he made learning ultrasound fun!
More language classes would have been useful. Students present in the classes without a teacher would be useful as we often found it hard to make images.
The accommodation was nice, and living in Zandvoort was not a problem.
It was nice to be beside the sea, and there were pubs, etc to keep us amused,
Maybe more interaction with ERASMUS students from other courses would be an idea.
(Ip) Not enough clinical time. (only 2 days) This could cause problems with my home university as I need a minimum of 200 hours in this period. With the time spent in the clinical skills lab and my hospital placement I only gained 96 hours. I knew about this before I came and did extra clinical time before I came on the exchange and will have to do extra time when I return
- The college had excellent facilities and the lessons were well structured.
The cost of living is similar to the UK, but the exchange rate was really poor for us at this time.

- Holland is a great place to visit. There are lots of great museums and really interesting things to do and see,
I would recommend the ultrasound course and taking part in the ERAMUS program. I really liked my experience here. It is very different from Portugal.
It was a lot of fun meeting new people here.
- ...y positive, although we should have got some more challenging study programme. I also think that there sho.....
...dation was very good. I would have preferred to be living in a more central place, near school in the Duw o....
... every day to get to school. I think that there should have been given a transport card or something like that.
- The relationship between students and teachers is closer than what I'm used to.
The teaching methods has its advantages and disadvantages.
The programme of Radiotherapy was a bit poor in the sensed that we only got 4 days of placements in hospitals.
It was a very positive experience.
- I loved to stay here, the culture is great the people and cities are fantastic it was very different from Port.....
- Geert provided an indepth teaching on Abdominal ultrasound. During this course I learnt a lot and I know that this will be of great help in my professional career. We were given the opportunity to study briefly Radionuclide imaging and General Radiography, the Dutch way. The structure of the course was excellent, every week we studied a new organ in the abdomen with tutorials at the start of the week and self study during the rest of the week with feedback classes to monitor our progress. The Dutch students were of great help throughout the 3 months.
Given the location of the Netherlands there is plenty of opportunity for travel to neighbouring countries such as Germany, Belgium, Luxembourg and France. It is relatively cheap to travel to these destinations. There is also a lot to do within the Netherlands with Amsterdam, Leiden, Den Haag, Rotterdam, Eindhoven, Maastricht, Wallaby World and many others. There is something for everyone on the Netherlands.
The Netherlands is a friendly country where most people speak very good English so language barriers are non-existent but a basic knowledge of Dutch is helpful in daily life.
Overall an excellent time was had by all on ERAMUS and I would highly recommend students to come.
- I would do it all over again if I could, but I can't so I have to stick with the wonderful experiences. This is all thanks to Erasmus and the Inholland organisation team.
A final thanks to Geert Plug our dutch coordinator that made our stay worth while
- To me coming to the Netherlands in the Erasmus programme was a great opportunity. I came expecting t.....
I had high expectations of the programme. Some of them were fully met, others were a bit of a disappointment...
Studieswise since we didn't have any information in advance about the programme, I was disappointed...
Socialwise, I was also disappointed because we were accommodated away from the other Erasmus students...
Cultural wise I was really happy to see that our timetable was organized in order for us to have enough...
Concluding - it was a great experience, a once in a lifetime experience and I met great people and...

- ERASMUS in the Netherlands was a great experience and I will never forget my time here. I got to know people in my own course better and made new friends from other countries.
The lifestyle in the Netherlands is so laid back and enjoyable, and most dutch people are friendly enough, with 90% fluent in English. You can travel loads and see lots of Holland and the rest of Europe (if you have the money!) There's plenty of great bars, cafes, restaurants etc, and going to gigs and football matches is much cheaper than at home!
InHolland is a great university and the lectures are fantastic. They are so laid back and the classes are the same. The course itself is really interesting if you like ultrasound, as you learn how to scan the entire abdomen. Definitely loved the course! Unfortunately you need a chipknip card & dutch bank account to buy anything in the university. The accommodation is very good as well and the landlord is very nice, but it is a little expensive and out of the way.
I recommend Haarlem to anyone going on ERASMUS.
- Studying at Haarlem for the last 3 months has been really great. The radiography teacher was very nice and extremely helpful. We only studied ultrasound so the workload was easy enough to manage! The students who assisted in classes with us were also really friendly! The university itself is very nice, and living in the Netherlands is a lot of fun. I've really enjoyed my time here and would recommend it to future students!
- Was a very nice experience. Would definitely recommend to other students. Beautiful country with friendly people & a safe environment. School is also very nice & very good student-teacher relationship.
- My stay in Haarlem was very well planned. We were given a lot of useful practical sessions regarding.....d, something which I think would be hard to find anywhere else. The school schedule was well planned and.....nough free time to explore the Netherlands as well as to practice in our free time as the equipment....available at all times. The hospital placement was interesting and although only for 2 days I learnt a lot.ry and the people are very friendly. It's very easy to get around and travel. Almost everyone Glish and is more than happy to help in any way they can.modation was good and quite cheap, always clean and the landlady was very friendly.
- I enjoyed my stay very much. I would definitely suggest it to further students. Holland as a country is very nice, safe and easy to get around. Will definitely miss the life here in Holland. As lectures and staff, everyone was very friendly and satisfying. Did learn quite a lot on ultrasound as this is not covered well in our home university. It was a pity we didn't get to have more lectures regarding the dutch language as it would have been nice to learn more. Clinical placements were fine. Everyone was very friendly with us especially the owner of the accommodation who tried to do everything to please us and at the university of InHolland all the staff was helpful. Thanks!!!

Bergen:

- I really enjoyed my stay in Bergen, the staff were very friendly and helpful and the radiographers in the hospitals were very friendly, approachable and considerate, much more so than in Ireland. I learnt a lot from them, (especially the radiographers in Bietanien) I think it was a very good idea that while I was in the hospital I had a mentor and one main person to be in contact with and to work with.
During our placement a lot of the students were placed in different cities around the country, I felt that this was unfortunate as we had just started to make friends with them and then they had to leave.
Personally, I did not like the fact that we had to do a lot of presentations and problem based learning while we were in collage. Neither did I find it very

satisfactory that all the classes were compulsory, as we were only in collage for a very short period of time so it left very little room for absence due to illness. we focused on patient care which was very interesting, I did enjoy the fact that we had patients come in and talk to us about their illnesses I found this very interesting and enjoyable.

- host institution is very small should be emphasised.
weather conditions (rain) should be emphasised and lack of sunlight for jan, half of feb.
enjoyed myself but mostly due to interaction with other erasmus students from varying courses.
structure of clinical placement and lectures and their timing quite prohibitive to student interaction for 7 weeks.
- norway is a beautiful country although norwegian culture is quite distant in general

Dublin:

- It was a very good and fun experience. Although the cost's were more expensive than I expected I could manage.
- UCD had arranged everything very good.

Turku:

- The stay in Finland was very nice I met a lot of other exchange students and we did a lot of nice things together. The most fun part was that we travelled a lot to cities and other countries. The school lessons were OK. The clinical placement was nice and interesting, but short. I had a great time here, but I cannot say I have learned a lot, but that doesn't matter.
- I loved my stay
- couldn't happen. The short internship in Radiotherapy helped me to understand Radiotherapy better (because of my limited experience). I learned about health care in a different country, had course in Finnish and also course to improve my English. I experienced Finnish culture through my social life and one of my courses. I have made a lot of new friends and I have made some great trips. All in all a great experience.
- I really liked the Erasmus exchange programme. It was really nice to be in a different country with exchange students. The school and IAC organised some nice activities in which we took part. It was only a little sad that our placement in the hospital couldn't continue so now we had only 2,5 weeks in Radiotherapy department, but tat was very nice, It was good that we also had some other courses now, especially the English for exchange students because I liked that class. The thing learned here was that I improved my English and also that you learn a bit about other cultures because you meet a lot of people from different countries.

Malta:

- it was the best experience of my life so far!! i would recomend it to everyone!
- Maltese people are extremely friendly. The support at the hospital and University was second to none. I had a suntan in January. Worth going.
- 10 : I absolutely loved the experience of coming to Malta as an Erasmus student. All radiography coordinators have been helpful and relaxed about our presence. Radiographers in the department have been very welcoming and helpful.
Thank you very much for your kindness shown to me.
- Malta's great. I didn't have a good start being ill so often but the last month was brilliant. Going to see Malta beat Leichtenstien seven - one with two Finish people; when would I do that otherwise!? Cheers
- Excellent experience. Best 3 months ever. the staff in the university of malta were so helpful, as were the staff at the hospital. i was made feel really welcome and learned loads!!

- Excellent experience. Best 3 months ever. the staff in the university of malta and in the hospitals in which we were placed were also very helpful.
- Excellent experience. Best 3 months ever. the staff in the university of malta were so helpful as were the staff at the hospital.
- Very good, lecturers and staff was very helpful. Got on very well with the rest of the students. Made good friends. Placement was interesting and got good experience. Had a brilliant time.
- A great experience! The new hospital was great and the staff very polite and helpful.
- This was very nice and good experience. The staff in the hospital were really nice and helpful.
- This was a great experience. The staff in the hospital were very nice and polite.
- A brilliant experience, which I really enjoyed. A beautiful island and one place that I can definitely see returning to.
- Found the exchange an excellent opportunity in one which I learnt both valuable clinical and life experiences which will remain with me throughout the rest of my life
- Overall, it was an excellent experience of which I am glad I took part in. It has been an experience of a lifetime and I would recommend anyone to come to Malta on Erasmus.
- excellent experience and would recommend malta to anyone. hospital was great to work in and there was a lot to keep us occupied outside the school environment

Coimbra:

- It was a fantastic experience overall. We had good support when we got here and we had a great time. The social and cultural side of things were great fun. There were too many hours of class the first month and everyone else on Erasmus, including the UCD students, got a week's holidays during the programme except for us. I think this should be incorporated into the Coimbra programme to give the students a chance to travel.
Absolutely no major complaints and I would certainly recommend students to come here.
- I have had an excellent three months here in Coimbra. I have learned a lot about CT, all the tutors in the hospital were very friendly and helpful. The classes in January are very intense and the workload is very heavy in the first week, it would be better if there was one or two afternoons off to get things like laundry done and settle in e.t.c some of the classes are very irrelevant.
I have made great friends with lots of other erasmus students while here from all over europe. I have seen a lot of the cities in portugal in my time here. Our apartment was beautiful, in an excellent location on a bus route with everything close by. I would definitely recommend the erasmus programme to any future students, i have really enjoyed myself and would definitely come back again. Thank you. :)
- This erasmus program has been one of the best experiences in my life and i would highly recommend it to other students if it was offered to them.
We were treated very kindly and everyone was always willing to help. However the first few weeks was too full of lectures, some of which were irrelevant, not enabling us to find our feet... during the first week or two i think it is important for people to be able to find out necessities such as where the supermarket is and where the laundry is as it will make settling in a lot easier.
Overall we had no major problems and everything went very smoothly. I would definitely come back to visit or if offered, stay for a longer term :)
- I loved my three months in Coimbra. The first month was all classes and i did think that we had too many hours as we were mostly 9 til 6 and it was difficult to settle in because we had no time to find our feet in the beginning. Also some of the classes were irrelevant. All the teachers were excellent though and gave us a lot of help

when we needed it. The clinical placement was very good but in some of the busier places we sometimes felt in the way and a little unwanted. This rarely occurred though and the tutors went out of their way to help us with project work and explain all our questions to them. Our apartment was beautiful and in a great location. There were activities organised to meet our fellow Erasmus students and we made lots of friends this way. The night life was excellent as Coimbra is alive with students and the cost of living is so cheap. We were very well taken care of and if we had any problems Adelino and the others helped us out. I would definitely recommend Coimbra to the students coming next year!

Porto:

- Overall I found the Erasmus exchange very enjoyable. The teachers, students and Porto people were very accommodating and helped us feel at ease in the city. Porto feels like a second home now! We made the most of our experience here by travelling, making lots of Portuguese friends and trying out different foods, dances and traditions of the Portuguese culture. There was a slight language barrier but with the help of a few phrases and friendly Portuguese people we got by! I would definitely recommend Erasmus in Porto to any interested students.
- Overall I really enjoyed my 3 months in Porto. I learned a lot in the 3 hospitals where I did clinical placement and everyone we met and worked with was extremely friendly and helpful. Luisa, Sandra and Miguel welcomed us and explained everything we needed very clearly. Also the students in the school were very friendly., I will definitely be back to visit!
- I loved my stay in Porto. I learnt a lot on clinical placement and from the lecture. All staff and many students of the course were very helpful. I gained new language skills and experienced a new and interesting culture. Porto is a beautiful city. Also enjoyed visiting Fatima, Lisbon and the Algarve.
- I found the ERASMUS exchange to be a wonderful experience and Portugal a very welcoming country and beautiful place. The lecturers and students were very helpful and accommodating to all our needs - academic and social! Clinical placement was very hand-on and a real learning curve.

Lund:

- It was a great experience. It was worth the time and money
I have gained a lot academically and clinically
I managed to achieve what I plan to achieve
The exchange has built my confidence in terms of fitting in to a new and different culture
We received a lot of help from the host institution - lent us furniture and a tv for our comfort which we were very pleased with.
- This exchange programme has been an excellent and valuable experience for myself. It has helped me learn more about myself as an individual.
It has also helped me learn more about different cultures with an open mind.
It has improved my overall knowledge of radiography and given me a different eye for radiography. I have enjoyed myself a lot and the people in my host institution have been very helpful and contributed to my experience in a very positive way.
- I didn't feel homesick at all. The Erasmus exchange is a brilliant programme, however I feel one suggestion could be to have it for 6 months rather than 3.
- I liked very much this experience because I could learn about a different culture, Swedish language. Also I could improve my English, because my home country is the second language.
I knew many different persons, exchange students and also I could learn their culture and habits.

Ceske Budejovice:

- I am very grateful for the opportunity to explore the different elements of radiography in the Czech Republic. I learned more about interventional radiography. I found it interesting to compare the equipment and methods used in the Czech radiography departments with those in my home country. I also found it interesting to observe how the hospital staff interact with each other, there is an overall sense of cooperation and team work between the different staff. On a personal level I enjoyed learning about the Czech Republic and visiting cultural areas and meeting new people from different countries.
- The practice in Prague was not satisfactory because of the lack of language skills with the hospital employees. We were also not allowed to perform any professional tasks, only to observe. This is far less than I expected when I came here and very disappointing. We also felt that we were dropped and left in Prague with little or no contact with the host institution. In Ceske Budejovice I was promised a single room, something the hosts failed to deliver. The lectures we have been given have been good and by very good lecturers, however they have been too few. Because we have not been part of a class, we have not had the chance to get to know any of our fellow students. The cultural and historical activities have been very good and informative.
- I really enjoyed my Erasmus experience. The Czech Republic is a great country and I met some really nice people. The hospital placement was very interesting and the doctors were very nice and helpful.
- I think this experience was very interesting and good.