

## **My Personal Report for an Erasmus Program at Wroclaw university of Environment and Life Science, Poland. Summer Semester 2020.**

My Erasmus+ exchange program experience at Wroclaw university of Environment and Life Science, department of institute of spatial Management, Poland has given me more insight about my career, study and social life.

Despite the world pandemic (Novel Corona Virus 2019), the staff at BTU International office spare headed by Frau Karin Robel was able to make the whole application feasible by creating other modalities to have a smooth application without any physical contact or breaking any of the virus protocols.

The Erasmus program started 6<sup>th</sup> of October 2020 and ended 17<sup>th</sup> February 2021. The management of the school (Wroclaw university of Environment and Life Science) has structured the Erasmus program by making it a blended program. That is, they made the program both physical classes and online classes, or just physical class if the population of the students offering the particular course are less than five (5), or strictly online if the course is a course that could be taken online and if the population taking the course is on the high side. They structured some courses to be both online and physical especially courses that requires laboratory works.

The university is well equipped with modern facilities ranging from academic facilities down to social facilities (sport). The lecturers are very accommodating, supportive, friendly and top-notch in their various fields.

The student association was also very welcoming. They tried to solve everyone's problem as the problem arises. They tried to organize events and give guidelines on what to do in case of difficulty, showed supermarkets where things are cheap, try to teach us some simple words in the native language (polish) in order for the foreign students to integrate. I found this aspect quite interesting because I was able to learn some basic words in different languages that I can speak now.

Finding accommodation was very easy and very cheap. I was able to secure an accommodation before leaving Germany. The only issue I had was poor internet connection which later rectified.

Living expenses in Wroclaw is relatively cheap and affordable. However, it is advisable to book an apartment some weeks or days before traveling.

Finally, I was able to learn beyond what I thought I was going to learn ranging from the use of ArcGis application to Strategic Environmental Assessment report.

My appreciation goes to the staff (Academic and Administrative) and students of both the host and home country that assisted me one way or the other to attain this achievement.

Erasmus should be seen as a golden opportunity to perceive other's culture. I implore anyone who gets this opportunity to seize it.

Thank you!