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# Your overall feeling after your semester abroad

*[Help : How was your experience abroad? If you could go back I time, would you go to this university and why ?]*

*I give it a 3 cause even though on some weekends it was boring, I can now speak spanish and hold a conversation.*

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| **GRADE : 3**  ***=> 0 (I do not recommend this semester abroad to my best friend) – 5 (I totally recommend this semester to my best friend)*** |

# Before the travel

## Preparation

### Visa

*[Help : Do I need a visa ? If yes, what is the process ?]*

*No*

### The flight

*[Help : what flight did you take (the company name, airport etc.) and when did you take your flight ticket]*

***BLABLACAR*** *Montpellier 🡪 Madrid. And then* ***AVANZA*** *Madrid 🡪 Cuenca , there’s even a BONO you can take MADRID – CUENCA for a 50e deposit that you can buy and go to madrid and back as many times as you want for no additional cost. BE CAREFUL ITS VALID UNTIL END OF MARCH OR APRIL. So subscribe as early as possible*

### My luggage

*[Help : what to not forget in the luggage (what was useful and what you would like to have taken)]*

There’s nothing you need you’re not gonna be able to buy there

### Bank account

*[Help : did you have to change bank? To respect some amount requirement on the bank account etc.]*

*I didn’t change*

### Insurance

*[Help : What insurance did you subscribe to ?]*

I had The carte Européene d’assurance

## Housing

### Where to live

*[Help : Do a google maps capture and circle the area you recommend to live in (and the one you do not recommend) ]*

*It’s really useless to do so cause it’s a very small city, it’s all safe and even if you live on the other side of town it’s a 10/15 min max bus ride, but like it’s better to live next to the University cause it’s near the center.*

### Find a flat or a room

*[Help : How did you find your flat? Do you have any recommendation]*

*I personally found it when I went to Cuenca I spoke with RI office and they gave me a guys numbers. Or you can find a flat on idealista.*

### Cost

*[Help : How much should I plan for a room or a flat?]*

Between 200-300 for co-living, 400-500 for a studio alone.

I used to pay 280 ( which was on the high side, everybody was surprised when I told them about the price )

# When I arrive at the university

## Inscription at the university

*[Help : How was the process, what did you have to do?]*

Go to the RI they tell you everything you need to do it was very simple. Literally just sign like 2 or 3 papers.

## Information on the university

### Class

*[Help : for each class tell us how was the class, what did you like and not like, would you recommend it for the next student?]*

*Financial mathematics :: the professor was so nice, the exam was super easy and he speaks English.*

*Operations research : difficult course but with a little bit of studying you pass it easily he likes the “ blabla “ and you need to go to class cause his course is not organized at all in order for you to know what to study.*

*Market research : prof was nice but didn’t help me find a group, I had to do a 4 people work alone and in Spanish but the nice part is that you can chose to just do the final ( in English ) and it will count for 100% of the grade, I did that she put me 5.2/10 ( pass ) but I deserved so much more cause I literally wrote everything from her slides, but then I heard she failed everybody who did only the final, so you have to be careful !*

*Econometrie : the professor was super nice, the professors – student relationship isn’t as professional as in France, they literally call their professors by their first names, and the prof took a different strategy with us than doing to exam.*

*Fundamentos de administration : The prof is really nice but is so strict with how she grades and she let us do an exam in English.*

### Organization of the Class

*[Help : tell us the duration of the class, the volum of work, the behavior of teachers etc. ?]*

 Compared to MOMA the exchange university is super simple, and the students literally call the professors by their first names .

### List of courses and recommendation

*[Help : list your different courses and let us know what do you think : level (easier, same or harder than the 1st semester course at MOMA, what you liked about the content, how is the class organization, who is the professor). Finally, for each class, tell us if you recommend the course.]*

### Exam

*[Help : How was the exam? Format? Duration? Grade ]*

*2h the exams different formats some were case studies some mcq’s etc depending on the course you take.*

# When I life there

## Safety

*[Help : Is it safe? Is there areas or times I should avoid]*

I have not seen areas to avoid,

## Phone and Internet

*[Help : How to be able to call and have internet]*

*There was wifi at home + at uni ( eduroam) and I had 35 gbs in EU so I used my French number.*

## Events

*[Help : How to know about the events?]*

*ESN Instagram text them they’ll add you to the WhatsApp group.*

## Sports

*[Help : What sport can I do ? and how?]*

*Sports they literally informed us about it the day they closed applications ( I promise I’m serious ) so I don’t know.*

## Eating

*[Help : Any recommendation? Or good tips (e.g. an international house buffet)]*

*Kadon is a restaurant/bar very classy and cheap and delicious.*

*Then there is the Princesa which is for students ( and you get free tapas with every alcoholic beverages ordered )*

## Go to the university : bus, car, bike

*[Help : How did you get access to the bus, car or bike]*

*In my 6 months of living there I took the bus once ( to go to the mall cause the mall is 10/15 mins away from the center ) and I paid 1.7~, it’s a very small city so you’ll mostly be walking.*

## Travels

*[Help : What do you recommend and what do you not recommend]*

*I recommend going on all ESN trips such as Valencia for fallas, Toledo, ciudad real etc..*

## Any other information you would have liked to know about

*[Help : What would I liked to know if I could have gone back in time ]*

The ESN isn’t the best in Cuenca, they literally organized some events where none of the staff attended. In the beginning of the semester they do many events and then stop doing as many so in my opinion go to the event beginning of semester to meet people, and don’t be stressed to talk cause most of them are in the same situation as you and don’t have friends.

# After your semester abroad

## What are you planning do to?

*[Help : What do you want to do next year ]*

Montpellier Business School campus paris en alternance.

## Did you apply for master?

*[Help : in which master where you accepted]*

I applied to 17 masters in total, 16 public, 1 private. The 16 public ( 3-4 amongst which were MOMA ) all rejected me and the 1 private one accepted me.

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