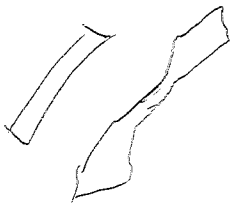


Study Abroad Evaluation

General Information	
Your Name	[REDACTED]
Host Country	England
Host School/Agency	UCA
Participation Dates	Jan. 2014 - May 2014
Your Program of Study	Atelier
Type of Study Abroad	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exchange <input type="checkbox"/> Practicum <input type="checkbox"/> Independent <input type="checkbox"/> Other
General Evaluation	
In a couple of sentences, summarize why you rated your experience the way you did	<p>I loved the experience because the students & teachers were so welcoming and made me feel at home. The course was difficult but I loved the challenge.</p>
Arrival	
How easy or challenging was it to obtain your travel documents (visa, permits, etc.)?	easy I didn't need any
Describe your transportation arrangements to your host country. Would you alter any part of those arrangements?	<p>I had a friend pick me up. I would suggest taking the Heathrow express if coming from Heathrow & easy bus if coming from Gatwick.</p>
How was your experience clearing customs and immigration upon arrival in your host country? Any surprises?	great no surprises
Describe how you traveled to your host facility. How long did it take and how much did it cost?	flying \$1000 - 9 hours
Orientation and Assistance	
How satisfied were you with the orientation and student assistance available to at your host school?	<p>- it was good - nothing special - there weren't any exchange student meet ups because there were only a few students</p>
What help did you receive from the international staff or office? What was your evaluation of your host schools international staff or office?	<p>- They helped me with confirming my classes & credits. - They were very helpful & welcoming</p>
Orientation and Assistance (cont'd)	
How was new student	

orientation at the host university? How did it suit your needs?	it was good very short.
What was it like to adjust to the culture of your exchange site? Were there people and resources available for you to talk to about what you were experiencing?	the culture shock wasn't very shocking except for that it felt like I went back in history. every thing was old + had so much history
Housing	
Describe your accommodation in your host country.	- good it was small but it was amazing to have my own bathroom I had the the smallest room too.
How early could you move into housing before term and how long after the end of term were you allowed to stay?	- 1 week because I paid more
How comfortable were you with your accommodation?	- I was quiet comfortable
Describe what you did about meals and what other options were available. How satisfied were you with the food?	- I cooked almost all the time - you need to supply your own pots pans + cutlery + plates - Go to the pound store or wilkersons for housewares
How close was your accommodation to where you studied?	- 10 ¹⁵ min walk uphill
Academics & Course Registration	
Please describe the registration process at your host institution. What assistance was available to you? Were you satisfied?	- I registered for Atelier and there were no problems so I just followed Caitins Steps.
What advice would you offer to another exchange student about registration at your host institution?	- it was easy - no problems - just make sure your paperwork is filled out + you will be fine.
What course load would you recommend for future students? Are there particular courses would you recommend?	- Atelier was what I took it was good quiet alot different from fashion here because it was a lot of hand sewing
Academics & Course Registration (cont'd)	
How satisfied were you with the	



amount of knowledge/skills you obtained from your host?	I learned alot about culture high end sewing
How did the style of teaching compare to Canada? How did the workload compare to Canada?	It was extremely independent
How many courses did you take during your time abroad?	1 course because they are specialized
If applicable, what impact did the language barrier have on your learning?	N/A
What was your impression of the computer facilities, library, internet access, specialized equipment and supplies available at your host facility?	Amazing they had huge mac computers in the library lots of specialized equipment.
Cost	
Books and Supplies/per term:	\$100
Flight:	\$15000
Accommodation/per month:	\$900
Meals/per month:	\$200
Local transportation/per month:	\$300
Health insurance/per term:	\$400
Communication (internet, phone, etc.) - per term	\$20
Travel documents (passport, entry visa, etc.)	\$0
Vaccinations:	\$0
Personal spending (entertainment and extra travel) - per term	\$ 300 600
Were there unexpected costs you encounter? What items were less or more expensive than expected?	-nope -things were more expensive
Extra-Curricular & Social Activities	
How satisfied were you with the out-of-class opportunities available at your host site?	-I was Super Satisfied I traveled London & Italy & Barcelona, Montpellier France
What type of organized activities were available to you? What extra-curricular activities would you recommend to future	-None

students?	
What opportunities were there to work or volunteer? Did you require special permits to do this?	Companies you could do an internship there in on your own but not through school without a visa
Health and Safety	
Did you feel safe in your host country?	- very very safe
Describe any safety concerns you had during your experience.	- none
Personal and Cultural Connections	
How successful were you at making friends with local (not international) people and students?	- I met a lot of people from england poland & Italy.
How did you find it adjusting to the culture of your host site?	I found it easy. there wasn't much that was different
What, if any, cultural differences did you find particularly challenging?	- nothing maybe understanding the people from Northern england
What part(s) of the culture did you most appreciate?	- the I appreciated the fashion
How were you treated by local people? By university staff and faculty? By students?	- I was treated very well - people thought I was american
As far as you could tell, how easy would it be for students with disabilities to study at your partner university?	- there was an assist lift they do but it is quiet self directed have pets so I don't know how that at help for would work disability
As far as you could tell, for students who are visible minorities in your host country?	- N/A
For students who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgendered?	- They don't judge -
Overall	
What are five important things other students should know before going to your host country/region?	

they do have pets
at help for disability
Student thoughts
through
writing

1. the cost of housing is \$900	
2. don't bring house wares just buy them there	
3. the cost of food is twice as much because of the	
4. know know if your bank will transfer money to the UK bank	
5. look into look into a rail card	
What are ten important things you would tell another student who is going to your host facility/agency?	
1. Save money	
2. Be prepared to do a lot of independent study time	
3. Be organized	
4. Use the library + resources	
5. keep on track of your work	
6. join club	
7. buy stuff at the pound store (cheap)	
8. Bring sewing stuff	
9. Go to Primark	
10. Go to the pubs to eat	
What was the most rewarding part of your study abroad experience?	meeting my friends + finishing the course
What was the greatest challenge you faced during your experience abroad?	-missing my family + friends
How has your perspective changed as a result of your study abroad experience?	-It has made me want to learn more languages + travel more
What else do you want to add out your study abroad experience?	Get a english bank card Lloyds Bank is

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