

## Travel Report

### GENERAL INFORMATION

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What was your semester abroad like?

**I agree to the publication of the report and attached photos (there are no third parties rights to these photos)** Yes

**New outgoing students sometimes ask us for a way to contact former outgoings. Are we allowed to pass on your contact details in case of inquiries?** Yes

**Academic year** 2023/2024

**Start semester** Herbst/Fall 2023/24

**Duration in semesters** 1

**Study program at EUF** B.A. European Cultures and Society

**Subject 1 (only applicable to teacher training students)**

**Subject 2 (only applicable to teacher training students)**

**Subject 3 (only applicable to teacher training students)**

**Host country** Hungary

**Host university** Eötvös Loránd Tudományegyetem

### YOUR PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

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**How did you prepare for the semester abroad? What should be organized in advance?**

The paperwork is long and requires time and patience. It is important to take a long look at the course opportunities in the host universities.

**Do you have any recommendations for environmentally friendly travel (if applicable)?**

There are trains from Hamburg to Budapest. They are cheaper than flights sometimes.

**Where did you live and how did you find your accommodation (self-organized/provided by host university, dormitory/private etc.)?**

I found myself a WG in the city center. It was very cheap, very comfy and better than the dormitories

**Did you participate in events for exchange students? How did you establish social contacts in other ways?**

I went to few events at the beginning, but they were often very crowded. I made friends through classes and private parties

**How satisfied were you with the host university (facilities, staff etc.) and the course offer (workload etc.)?**

I was very satisfied. The Uni was very kind and patient to exchange students

**Did you learn the local language? How important was the language for your stay?**

No, hungarian requires too much work to learn, I did not need it

**What intercultural experiences/skills have marked your stay?**

Communication with Hungarian youth about politics was very eye-opening

**Which perspectives on your host country/home country have changed - and why?**

Budapest is very modern, clean and tourist-friendly. The rest of Hungary, however, is rather poor and empty.

**How was your everyday life (leisure, shopping, transportation, inclusion etc.)?**

I could take any transport to Uni, bus, tram and metro. To grocery shop I walked most of the time.

**Do you have any recommendations for a sustainable stay abroad (projects, initiatives, everyday life)?**

Pack lightly, you can buy your clothes second-handed when you arrive

**How did you manage financially? How much did you spend on visa (if applicable), travel, accommodation (per month), living expenses, leisure activities, other expenses (books etc.)?**

My rent was 320euros everything included. I spent around 200 euros in food per month. I had to buy my transportation ticket at the beginning, it was around 30 euros for 6 months. Going out and activities were always around 15 euros everytime

**What was your best/worst experience? Is there anything else you would like to share?**

My best experience was the New Year's Eve in Budapest, there was so many things happening all at once in the streets and gathering with all the other exchange students one last time was very emotional.

**Would you recommend a semester abroad at your host university? For what reasons?**

I would recommend Budapest to the people who want to travel and discover Eastern Europe. there is also a very big party ambiance in the city at all times. The University of Eotvos Lorand is teaching so many subjects, there is a wide choice of classes.

## PHOTOS

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In this section, you may upload some photos that represent your stay abroad. When selecting the photos, please bear in mind that the pictures will be visible online if you have given us the permission to publish your report.

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**Photo (6)**

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