Auslands-Studienaufenthalt an der CAMBERWELL COLLEGE OF ARTS IN LONDON

Universität: CAMBERWELL COLLEGE OF ARTS, UAL

Stadt/Land: LONDON, UK

besuchte Studienrichtung an der Gastuniversität: PAINTING 2YEAR (BA)


Studienrichtung an der KUNI: BILDENDE KUNST / MALEREI

Meine Erfahrungen

**Part 1** about the study (courses / professors / students / exchange office)

**Part 2** about the staying (culture / accommodation / food / transport / living costs / language)

//Part 1. About the study.

**Course**

In each semester I had to achieve 2 courses whilst I was in UAL. I took courses such as art writing, project collaboration, participating exhibition, etc. There are some course asked me to hand in essay about all process to produce painting works and collaborative project. In order to write better English text, I visited English support center where provided us 2 hours per a week to correct English essay. Extra aid for English improvement was furnished as well. For example, men to men English mentor placed in library 3 days per a week which help me to improve English writing a lot.

2year of painting class had 3 different tutors.(the word they call professors) It was one of the most impressive difference between UAL and KUNI. They didn’t have any main professor but I actually could talk with any of 3 different tutors about my works in particular tutoring time. They had really different perspective and point of view on my works and had various view on my works.

Students were relatively quit younger than me and had really different style of painting which is hard to describe.

Anna Hutnik(exchange officer) has strong sense of responsibility on all exchange students. She offered almost all knowledge and efforts for our staying in London and studying.

//Part 2. About the staying

I thought between Austria and Britain has no big cultural difference because it took only 2 hours to fly between the countries. However, It has huge difference actually. Especially I felt the way of communication was really different. And London was the most international city I’ve visited so far. Therefore even I was in UK but I could come across cultural diversity such as Caribbean, Vietnamese, etc which I never really had experienced.

London is very infamous as an expensive city to live. There were many people who paying at least 1,000Euro per a month as their rent which is appx. 15m2 size room. And I regularly paid also appx. 30euro(in the case one as student) per a week for using public transportation which offers only enable me to move between Zone1 to Zone 2. However there were public bicycle everywhere and you
can also move around with your own bike. Many time moving with bicycle is faster rather moving by public transportation but there are really high rate of car accident, therefore if one is not use to bicycling in the intricate road condition, I wouldn’t one recommend to use bicycle.

In the case you like to cook a lot, you might save money quite a lot because buying ingredient in market is quite cheap

I improved English a lot whilst staying in London because I could meet so many people and this city has people wouldn’t mind to talk with unknown person whilst waiting buses, seating in parks, visiting concert and food market etc. I got an impression generally people in London are quite open to speak with everyone which giving me a great feeling.