

REPORT ON MY ERASMUS EXPERIENCE

1. What is your name and which program did you attend?

My name is Gabriele Atturo, I am a student of the MSc in Economics and I participated in the SEMP (Swiss European Mobility Program) program, the extra-EU version of the ERASMUS program.

2. Where and when did you go during your Erasmus program?

I spent the period of my SEMP program in Lausanne, in Switzerland. Specifically, I participated in the program the first semester of the second year of the master, from the beginning of September 2018 to the end of January 2019.

3. How did you like living there?

Although the living cost is much higher than the Italian one, Switzerland, and Lausanne in particular, is certainly a beautiful place to spend a few months of your life. The landscapes are breathtaking, the lakeside walks are fantastic and the people are very friendly.

4. What about *the University*?

The university is located on a campus a few hundred meters from the lake. The campus is structured in different buildings, each for each academic area, a gym and several sports facilities, where many courses and lessons are held, mostly free, organized by the university itself. The university campus also consists of two libraries, several study rooms and several bars and canteens.

5. What is the level of the courses? Did you find similarities to those in Tor Vergata?

Regarding the academic aspect, the university provides high-level courses and services, as well as professors. Unlike the method used in Italy, almost all courses include assignments, group work, active participation, in-class presentation of scientific papers and projects, rather than written final exams, which are however provided for some courses. In this regard, the university certainly represents a significant step forward from a qualitative point of view.

6. Is there any particular advice that you would like to give to another student who will go there in the future?

To conclude, Lausanne is a destination that I highly recommend to spend an educational and enriching experience and a part of a master's degree abroad. Although the fun and the opportunities to spend free time throughout the country do not lack, the study is very intense.

7. Do you wish to be contacted for further information by interested students?

Yes, for any clarification do not hesitate to contact me. My email is: gabriele.atturo@gmail.com