



#ERASMUS
DAYS



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Q: Can you describe your Erasmus studies in terms of teaching and student life?

A: I think I've enough experience to talk about teaching and student life in Europe. Firstly teaching, I had a busy schedule sometimes I had course from 8 am to 7 Pm and sometimes even Saturday. There are two types of course. Secondly student life, something I adore in France. The students moderate well between having fun and studying. There are a lot of events for students to enjoy their study period. So studying in Europe help me to be more organized.

Q: What were the enriching aspects of your studies?

A: As IR students studying in Europe help me a lot understanding international system, specially France is country who changed the world system.

Q: Can you share any memorable cultural experiences or events that you participated in during your time in Europe?

A: I had many experiences but for me the best one will always be "Christmas". Before Christmas all city is decorated, and a Christmas market is set up where there are good drinks specially hot wine and hot chocolate and other stuff as well such as french fries. And during Christmas people have a Christmas tree for postcards and gifts.

Q: Did you discover any new favorite dishes?

A: Yes if course. Before coming France I planned to taste estergot which in English is snail. For me it was just going to be an experience but surprisingly I liked.



Q: How about the weather, atmosphere and people?

A: I lived north of France so not surprisingly the weather was always raining but thanks to Trabzon I'm used to it and the people were kind to me. It just takes time to be close friends and local people are kind as well and helpful.

Q: Did you have the opportunity to explore other cities or countries during your time in Europe?

A: If yes, what were some highlights of your travels? During my exchange period I did visit many French cities. And secondly I saw for the first time in ocean, I had the chance to watch sunset in Atlantic ocean, unforgettable memory.

Q: Have you tried learning local language? Can you say something in the local language?

A: Yes the day I arrived France, I started learning French and I did progress quickly thanks to friendship apps. Now I'm fluent in French. Le français est la langue de l'amour!

Q: What is your general impression about country?

A: Before coming to France I was always seeing the protests and I didn't understand why after I came here I understood why it's like that. The people in France now their right and they use it. France is a country for democracy and liberty. You can live your life without fearing anything.



Q: Would you recommend other Turkish students to apply for studies in Europe or internship?

A: Yes of course it's a life changing experience. The things that I learned in one year I wouldn't learn in 5 years if I stayed in my comfort zone. So if you see this message go apply for going Europe

