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

A: Studying in Portugal feels laid-back and friendly. Professors are approachable, and classes are often engaging, with a good mix of theory and hands-on learning. Student life is pretty relaxed, with lots of social events, beautiful weather, and delicious food. You get to meet people from all over the world, and there's plenty of time to enjoy the beaches, city life, and exploring the country.

Q: What were the enriching aspects of your traineeship?

A: During my traineeship, the most enriching aspects were gaining hands-on experience, learning from industry professionals, and working on real-world projects. It allowed me to apply my knowledge, improve my skills, and better understand the field. The teamwork and problem-solving challenges also helped me grow both professionally and personally.

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

A: One memorable cultural experience was attending local festivals in Portugal, like the traditional "Festas de São João" in Porto, where the whole city comes alive with music, street food, and fireworks.

Q: Did you discover any new favorite dishes?

A: I discovered a few favorites! I really enjoyed "Pastel de Nata," a delicious Portuguese custard tart that quickly became my go-to snack. I also loved trying "Bacalhau à Brás," a traditional dish made with salted cod, onions, and potatoes. Exploring local seafood dishes was a treat, too. Everything was fresh and full of flavor.



Q: How about the weather, atmosphere and people?

A: The weather in Portugal was generally warm and sunny, especially along the coast, which made exploring and outdoor activities really enjoyable. People were friendly, welcoming, and always willing to help, even if there was a language barrier. It felt easy to fit in, and the positive, easy-going vibe of the locals made the experience even better.

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? I had the chance to explore a few other cities and countries during my time in Europe. In Spain, I visited Madrid, where I enjoyed the lively atmosphere, beautiful parks like El Retiro, and amazing art at the Prado Museum. I also spent time in Lisbon, exploring its charming neighborhoods like Alfama and Belém. Another highlight was visiting Prague, where I was captivated by the stunning architecture, the historic Charles Bridge, and the vibrant Old Town Square. Traveling around Europe was easy and allowed me to experience diverse cultures, languages, and cuisines, making each trip a memorable adventure.

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

A: Yes, I picked up a few phrases like "Olá, tudo bem?" (Hello, how are you?), "Obrigado/Obrigada" (Thank you), and "Por favor" (Please). It was fun to practice, and people appreciated the effort.



Q: What is your general impression about country?

A: Portugal left a great impression on me. It's a beautiful country with a rich history, stunning landscapes, and a warm, friendly vibe. The blend of traditional and modern aspects creates a unique charm, from the historic architecture and picturesque coastal towns to the lively urban areas.

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

A: Absolutely, go for it! Studying or interning in Europe is like stepping into a fantastic adventure. Imagine exploring vibrant cities, trying out delicious local dishes, and making new friends from all over the world. It's not just about learning, though you'll definitely gain tons of new skills.

