

## **OUTGOING STUDENT FEEDBACK FORM**

### **Programme – International Management**

**University Attended – Vrije University, Amsterdam**

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#### **INDUCTION/ORIENTATION PROGRAMME**

What did this involve, how long did it last, was it useful?

There were two introduction programmes, a week long one in August before 1<sup>st</sup> semester and a 3 day introduction programme after Christmas, both were really well organised and really useful. They included tours of the university, meals out, sports activities, and nights out organised by the exchange committee.

#### **ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE**

Style of teaching, courses, ease of access to courses, methods of assessment, teaching support

The style of teaching was different to Manchester, the courses were much shorter and a lot of group work was normally involved. There were quite a few courses to choose from although there was much more choice in the second semester than there was in the first. Most courses were assessed with an exam at the end of the period which was normally multiple choice or short answer and a short essay normally had to be written in pairs as coursework. Registering for courses was fairly simple and done on-line and all lecturers had allotted times where they were contactable and most replied to emails as quickly as possible.

#### **MBS INTERNATIONAL OFFICE**

Level of support up to and throughout the year

Both Sue and Catherine were always available if necessary and always tried to help as much as possible

#### **MBS SECOND YEAR MEETINGS**

Any additional information that could have been useful

None

#### **HOST INTERNATIONAL OFFICE**

Level of support, additional information that could be useful for future students

The international office was only open for an hour a day 4 days a week so it could be difficult to get hold of anyone if you had any problems but they were always contactable by email.

## **ACCOMMODATION**

The accommodation was not of the greatest standard but all the international students were in the same building and once you got used to it was fine and didn't detract from the overall experience at all. If I had the choice again I'd still want to live there because the atmosphere was great and the actual accommodation didn't seem that important.

## **DESTINATION INFORMATION AND OVERALL EXPERIENCE**

Transport, travel, social life, integration with local students, student activity groups

Amsterdam is a brilliant city, It has all the plus points of any capital city without being overwhelming in size, The transport is great with trams running until midnight and nightbuses throughout the night, not to forget the fact everyone has a bike so getting around is easy, flights to other countries and home are really cheap. The fact it's a capital city means there's always lots to do and loads of places to go and everyone speaks English (and doesn't mind doing so). Classes are mixed so there are plenty of opportunities to meet local students who are always friendly and thanks to the exchange committee (there is one for the faculty and one for the whole university) there are always lots of activities organised throughout the year.

## **DESCRIBE IN ONE SENTENCE YOUR YEAR ABROAD**

**An Amazing Experience**