

Frieda Wells - exchange student from UCalgary

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What I really liked about studying at TU Graz was that I was able to take master's courses on interesting topics even though I was only a bachelor's student. In my master's courses, the professors were extremely friendly and accommodating! They included me in class discussions to get the North American perspective on issues and insisted that I address them by their first names (and sometimes I even went out for beers with them in typical Austrian style!).

As for my social life in Graz, I had no problem making friends. There is a great network for international students in Graz called ESN. The ESN organized trips and club nights for foreign students practically every week. ESN also paired me with a mentor to help me adjust to my life abroad. My mentor, Chris, picked me up from the airport, helped me move into my apartment and showed me all his favourite spots in Graz. Chris also took me and his other mentee on an epic road trip through Slovenia!!

Lastly, Austria as a whole is a great place to live and to visit. Almost all Austrians speak good English. Although I learned a fair bit of German during my stay, I always had the option to speak in English. Austria is also centrally located in Europe. I was able to travel cheaply by bus to Croatia, Slovenia, Italy and Germany during my stay here; often planning weekend trips with the other international students who I had met only weeks before!

Long story short, you should come study at TU Graz. It will be the time of your life!"

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