



# UU Study Abroad Report Form

faculty/college	computer science
level	<input type="checkbox"/> bachelor's <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> master's
name study programme	Business Informatics

destination city & country	Lubbock, USA
name university abroad	Texas Tech University
start date	16 / 08 / 2018 (dd/mm/yyyy)
end date	13 / 12 / 2018 (dd/mm/yyyy)

PREPARATION	
exchange application process	It's a long process with lots of mails to many different people, which is understandable but makes it also complicated. I did not have any big problems in this stage and the UU will help you at every step if necessary.
counselling & support at Utrecht University	As mentioned before the UU helps you out in a quick and helpful manner. The best meeting for me was the meeting about the Visa procedure and it was also great that there were students from previous years to tell about the country you are going to visit
academic preparation	I did not do any specific prep work for this and i don't see how i would have
language preparation	I did not do any specific prep work for this and i don't see how i would have
Finances	This requires you to get a amount of 6000 dollars to one specific bank account so that you can proof to the usa that you will be able to sustain yourself through the semester. Saying that i spend about 12k total including tickets, housing, food and pleasure #Omeduo

STUDY ABROAD PERIOD	
study programme (content and organisational issues)	I did a mix of computer science and business courses because they did not have my programme specifically in my university (TTU). It was a nightmare to get to the courses because i had a lot of trouble finding courses that were actually given. Not everything on the list was specifically executed that semester. luckily you can register for classes until two weeks after class starts. That is way better than at UU.
academic quality of education activities	The quality of the american university system is a joke. everyone gets A's but an A in america is a 6 at UU. This can differ ofcourse for every university but in general you can expect a relative easy time in the states. I was able to miss about 6 weeks of college time and still finished with an 80% on my classes.
counselling & support at receiving university abroad	They offer a lot of help, but i did not use any of it. so i cant give a good view about it.



transfer of credits

My credits were send pretty easily from TTU to the UU. I have not been trough the process of getting them in Osiris

**STUDENT LIFE**

welcome & orientation programme

TTU will do a mandatory orientation which explains all about the uni and the city it is in. It is also a great place to meet the other exchange students. The orientatin is a whole day is a very good thing

accommodation

i stayed on campus in the dorms Carpenter/Wells, which supose to be one of the good ones. But you will see that all the buildings are very noisy because the inside walls are made of wood. the beds are also not great but acceptable. The room sizes though are pretty good. I was lucky that i did not have to share a room with an other person

leisure & culture

Lubbock is boring and there is nothing to do. All you have is the campus if you don't have a car. Littery everyone just goes to the bars at night and free time. So pleasy be older than 21 if you get here. You can get to frat parties, but you need to make some connections really quick with the right people.

suggestions/tips

I would suggest you Rush at the frats or sororities. This is a week before school were you go by all the frats. This is not hazing or anything bad. It's a great way to meet people and as a exchange student you are very special and everyone want to talk to you.

**CONCLUSIONS**

would you recommend this university/destination abroad to others? please explain

I found it very boring, the uni is not anything special in my oppinion and i did not find anything spectacular. I flew out of there multiple times in the semester to do more fun stuff and travel. But it is a great place to find a complete culture switch from the Netherlands. I have met great people and was really surprised by the hospitality of the south in the states. So if you want to study you will enjoy it but don't expect a lot of stuff to do besides studying

do you have any additional advice or comments?

be open and connect with as many people as possible, that will make you semester a lot more fun. Also try to contact someone of that university to anwser your question get an email through the UU or something. It will help a lot, because let's be honest you are going in blind. No matter how much research you do.