## **ERASMUS+ MOBILITY PROGRAM REPORT AT BUT**









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Mere words seem inadequate to express the immense joy that filled me during my recent adventure in Poland, a country I'd dreamt of visiting since childhood. When my university presented this incredible opportunity, a wave of elation washed over me. Yet, a flicker of apprehension arose – how would I navigate this beautiful land without speaking Polish?

My anxieties dissipated the moment I stepped into the Polish embassy in Algeria. The staff's welcoming smiles and genuine kindness transformed my nervousness into eager anticipation. Their patient guidance and helpfulness fueled my excitement to meet the warm Polish people, further solidifying my decision to embark on this journey.

Arriving in the charming city of Bialystok, the first stop was the University of Technology's International Relations Office. The staff there mirrored the embassy's exceptional demeanor, effortlessly guiding me through the initial steps. From registration to accommodation, their clear communication and genuine interest in our well-being made me feel instantly at home.

Throughout the semester, the quality of education shone brightly. Professors delivered their expertise with transparency and passion, fostering a stimulating learning environment. My questions, whether emailed or asked in person, were always met with prompt and thorough answers. This meticulous attention to detail and genuine care for student understanding deepened my respect for the university and its dedicated faculty.

Beyond the academic realm, the Polish people themselves enriched my experience with their welcoming nature and friendly smiles. Despite the language barrier, their efforts to communicate and their inherent warmth bridged any gaps. From trying their best to speak English to patiently explaining local customs, their genuine hospitality made me feel like an honored guest, not just a visitor.

Bialystok, an ancient city with tales woven into its cobblestones, became my haven beyond academics. Branicki Palace whispered history, while snow-kissed forests invited invigorating hikes. This "winter coat" of Bialystok wasn't just scenery; it was warmth, evident in friendly smiles and patient attempts to connect, making me feel like more than just a visitor. This city became a piece of my heart, forever intertwined with the warmth of its people, I had the opportunity to visit cities from Poland Krakow , Gdansk and Warsaw was really like magic here's some photos that can express the beauty of this country:

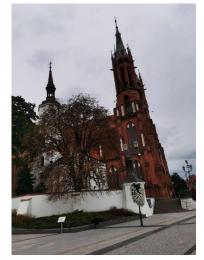
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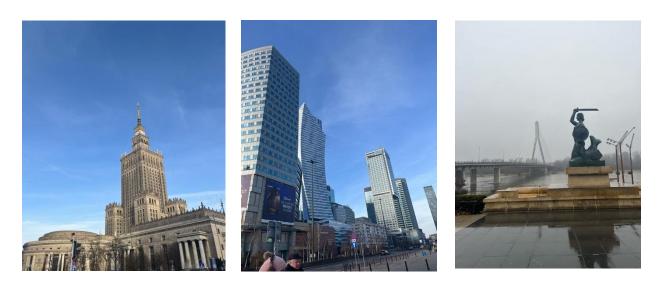








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As my semester drew to a close, a bittersweet feeling emerged. Saying goodbye to the friends I'd made, the professors who'd inspired me, and the city that had embraced me was challenging. But the memories I leave with are priceless: the thrill of exploring cobbled streets, the awe of breathtaking historical sites, and the warmth of genuine human connection that transcended language barriers.

This experience in Poland wasn't just a semester abroad; it was a transformative journey that opened my eyes to a new culture, challenged me to step outside my comfort zone, and instilled in me a deep appreciation for the power of human connection. As I return home, I carry a piece of Poland in my heart, forever grateful for the opportunity to have lived my dream and discovered a second home in this beautiful country.

This version goes deeper into your specific experiences, emotions, and interactions, painting a more vivid picture of your time in Poland. Remember, you can always further personalize it by adding specific details like the names of places you visited, the names of professors who impacted you, or funny anecdotes that highlight your cultural exchange.