**Study Abroad Feedback Form**

The Study Abroad Office is an inclusive environment and we try to meet the needs and aspirations of all students and support them in realising their ambitions. By consenting to sharing the data in the form, you can help prospective study abroad students to prepare for their placements.

Any information you disclose in the feedback form is optional, and you can be assured that any concerns that are raised here will be dealt with by a member of staff in the Study Abroad Team. This form will be uploaded to the Study Abroad Minerva organisation unless you specifically ask the study abroad team not to do so.

Some of the questions within this form are to help us to understand the diversity and inclusivity of study abroad destinations. More information on Leeds University Equality and Inclusion framework is available here:<https://equality.leeds.ac.uk/governance_strategy_policy/equality-and-inclusion-frameworks/e-and-i-framework/>

More information on how the University data processes your data is available here: <https://dataprotection.leeds.ac.uk/gdpr/student-privacy-notice/>

|  |
| --- |
| **Returner’s Details** |

**Name**:

**Leeds Degree Programme:**

**Contact Email (for future students):**

**Academic Year of Exchange:**

**Host Country:**

**Host University:**

**Main Department at Host University:**

|  |
| --- |
| **Academic Life** |

**What format, or combination of formats, did your study abroad placement take due to the Covid-19 pandemic? E.g. did you begin studying online from your home country and then move abroad to study later on?**

**If you were studying online, how did you find this? What were the challenges, and how did your host university support you? How did you find interactions with staff/students in class and socially?**

**If you studied in person, or a combination of methods, how did your host university ensure safe face to face interactions? Did you feel safe on campus and around the university?**

**How would you describe your department and academic life at your host institution to future study abroad students?**

**What academic challenges or differences in academic culture did you come across at your host institution? For example style of teaching, recording of lectures/classes, workload, contact hours, working with other students etc. How was the teaching and assessment different to Leeds?**

**What tips would you give to future study abroad students about choosing and enrolling on modules at your host institution?**

|  |
| --- |
| **Student Support Abroad** |

**Did you feel your university was a supportive environment? What kind support services were available to exchange students at your host university? If you made use of these, how did you find the experience?**

**if you have particular arrangements at Leeds for exams and assessments, were these mirrored at your host university, and how easy was it to set up?**

**How inclusive was your university in supporting students with** [**protected characteristics**](https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/equality-act/protected-characteristics) **(for a list of ‘protected characteristics’, please see the** [**Equality & Inclusion Framework**](https://equality.leeds.ac.uk/governance_strategy_policy/equality-and-inclusion-frameworks/e-and-i-framework/) **at the top of this form, or** [**this website**](https://www.gov.uk/discrimination-your-rights)**), for instance, was information given during Induction/ Orientation week?**

**\* If you did not study in person for any part of your exchange, please feel free to ignore any questions in the following sections that are not applicable to you \***

|  |
| --- |
| **Host City/Town and Host Country** |

**How easy was it to travel to your host university from the UK (e.g. visa application, flight preparations, flight costs, number of connections/airport options)?**

**How did you find the host town/city as a place to live? Did it have a large student population? Where there any cultural or language barriers outside the classroom?**

**What did you find the most different between your host city and Leeds?**

**How inclusive was your location in terms of welcoming students with protected characteristics, and can you give examples of your experiences?**

**What was your favourite thing about your host town/city/country?**

**How did the cost of living where you were studying compare to living in Leeds?**

**Roughly how much did you spend per month? Were there any price differences (e.g. for food, drinks, cinema tickets) you want to highlight?**

**What opportunities did you take outside of your studies in your host country? E.g. university societies, locally-organised clubs, volunteering, work placements?**

**Did you have to pay any kind of compulsory, non-tuition fees to your host university? If yes, please can you give a breakdown of the costs you had to cover? (e.g. insurance, registration fees, travel passes, service fees, lab fees.)**

|  |
| --- |
| **Accommodation** |

**Did you live in University-owned accommodation?**

**If you answered yes, what was the procedure for getting university accommodation (e.g. is there a deadline to apply for accommodation, do you have any tips on the application process, facilities etc.)?**

**If you answered no, how did you arrange private accommodation (e.g. beforehand or on arrival)? Can you recommend any useful sources of information?**

**What tips would you give future Study Abroad students about finding accommodation in your host city? (For example, good areas to live in, areas to avoid, etc)**

**Did you live with other exchange/international students or local students? Did you have to find your own housemates, if so, how did you do this?**

**How much did your accommodation cost per week/month/semester? Is this at the cheaper or the more expensive end of the scale in comparison to other accommodation options?**

|  |
| --- |
| **Overall Experience** |

**Why would you recommend/not recommend Study Abroad?**

**Is there anything you know now that you wish you had known before arriving in your host country, that you would like to pass on to future students?**

**Did you make any particular preparations, for travel or otherwise, before arriving in your host country that you feel were particularly useful, that you can pass on?**