



Baden-Württemberg
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BADEN-WÜRTTEMBERG-STIPENDIUM FOR UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

PERSONAL REPORT

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If you have any questions, please contact the International Relations Office of your host institution or send them to studierende@bw-stipendium.de.

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Duration of Stay from - to:	Click here to enter a date. Click here to enter a date	01-03-2018 - 31-08-2018
Submission date:	Click here to enter a date.	25-07-2018



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Please note: You may adjust the given space for the bullet points 1 – 7. But note that the length of your personal report should not exceed 5 pages including the cover sheet.

1) SYNOPSIS

Write a short synopsis of your stay abroad. Were your expectations on a study abroad satisfied? How would you evaluate your study abroad? What were your experiences concerning the cooperation with the *Baden-Württemberg-STIPENDIUM*?

With regard to the experience of studying abroad, it was really beneficial to me in the technical aspect and personal aspect. I'm studying Computer Science and Engineering at my home university and I was doing my bachelor thesis at DHBW Stuttgart. I've expected to find a supportive community and continuous guidance from my supervisors while working on the project and that is what I have actually found. I'm really satisfied with it. I can say that such an opportunity to study abroad was a big plus for me and I would like to repeat it. With regard to the Baden-Württemberg-Stipendium, it was really amazing and very helpful, as it helped not only me but also all the international students to afford the living expenses. In addition to that, such meetings and trips that were organized by the foundation were really nice.

2) PREPARATIONS PRIOR TO THE STAY ABROAD

Please include the following topics: application process at the host institution and via BWS-World, personal preparations, help during the preparation given by your home and your host institution.

The preparations to enroll to DHBW Stuttgart (host institution) were not complicated, some papers were required such as Health insurance certificate, the blocked account, copy from my visa, language certificate that proves my study language at my home university is English. So the application process was not complicated at all. For the personal preparations, I've started searching for accommodation in Stuttgart, however, DHBW admission office had helped me to find a good room with very good rent. I've also researched the topic which I've applied for in order to have a background about it. My home university also helped me by notifying me right away that I've been accepted for the project which I've applied for, and issued me the required paper as fast as possible.

3) STUDYING IN THE HOST COUNTRY

Please include the following topics: enrolment and choosing courses, description and assessment of the study system and the courses, organised leisure activities, other events organised by the host institution, support by the host institution in general.

The enrollment process was almost done before flying to Stuttgart, thanks to the amazing admission office of DHBW Stuttgart that required only the paper once I was at my home country, and on the second working day of my stay in Germany, I got my student ID card with no complications. I've not studied any courses, I've just worked on a project for my bachelor thesis that was about developing serious games to do hand therapy for injured people. The supervisor supported me while working on the project and gave me all the necessary tools just in time without any delays, which have saved time for working. DHBW also offered multiple leisure activities, many trips to different destinations with very cheap prices. Actually, these activities were the main reason behind the good communication between all the international students. DHBW helped us not only in the leisure activities but also in the enrollment process, insurance procedures, and providing us with the necessary information that we needed to have right away. This support was unbelievable and we all appreciate the great efforts that have been exerted by DHBW to achieve such a good service.

4) STAY IN THE HOST COUNTRY

Please include the following topics: personal experiences and impressions, life outside the institution.

I've gained plenty of person experiences. I've dealt with multiple nationalities and multiple cultures, which was really interesting to understand how the others think and that made me more open-minded. I've also improved my German skills , as I've dealt with Germans and visited course at Tricos Sprach Cafe, the course fees have been deducted 50% because I was a student at DHBW. Stuttgart is an amazing city, thus, I've been all around it and visited many attractions there which is also a very good experience. I'm satisfied with my personal experiences and it was such a pleasure to spend in Stuttgart 6 months.

5) NETWORK OF THE BADEN-WÜRTTEMBERG-STIPENDIUM

Please include the following topics: contact with other scholarship holders and Regional Chapters, your own contribution to setting up the network of the *Baden-Württemberg-STIPENDIUM*

I've made new friends from the meetings held by Baden-Württemberg-Stipendium. Thus, meeting new people from other cities in Germany who study other or the same subjects as yours was nice, it was also beneficial to deal with those scholarship-holders, in order to discuss how helpful this scholarship is and how it should be improved for the new coming students. I was keen on attending all the meetings and being involved in all the activities offered by the BW foundation so that the atmosphere would be still friendly and active.

6) HANDY TIPS FOR FUTURE SCHOLARSHIP HOLDERS

- 1) Try to attend all the meetings and to be involved in the social activities as much as possible.
- 2) Break the ice with each other and become friends so that you can enjoy your stay together.
- 3) Make the best use of the opportunity of being a scholarship-holder.

7) OTHER