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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: from 03.09.18 to 27.12.18

Submission date: 25.01.19

I agree to the publication of my personal report on the websites of the *Baden-Württemberg-STIPENDIUM* www.bw-stipendium.de and the Baden-Württemberg Stiftung www.bw-stiftung.de.

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*?

When i decided to do an exchange student program in Germany, i expected a lot of things. Such as making friends come from another country, learning English and German, enjoying Wasen, October festival and so on. i think my expectations on abroad are fully fulfilled. Only one thing sad is that the duration was too short to enjoy more. if i have a change to go abroad once again, i will do it without hesitation. And at the first meeting of BW-STIPENDIUM, i could meet other friends who received scholarship and that meeting made the networks between friends.

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.

It was convenient to contact with the professors of DHBW. When i had sent an e-mail to them, they replied it as soon as possible. In case of personal documents, there were enough time to prepare for everything. So, if you don't put off something, it won't a problem at all.

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.

Before the semester, i could choose courses that i wanted to take. and then even after the semester, if i don't want to take certain courses, i could cancel the courses and could take another course. All courses are progressed in English. because all professors are fluent in English, it was easy to understand the contents of the courses. Some courses has their own excursions. Such as visiting stock-exchanges and European central bank and so on. it was great experience for me.

4) STAY IN THE HOST COUNTRY

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

I had some stereotypes about German and Germany, such as they are inactive and do not have sense of humor and so on. But when i met German, my stereotypes were collapsed. they were very kind to foreigners and they knew how to enjoy. So, every weekend i met German friends and then went clubbing or invited them to my flat. And in case of safety, i was a little worried about it, but i think Stuttgart is one of the most safe cities in Europe. Finally, because the average price level was low compared to other cities, so i could save my money.

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*

Because of the personal schedule, i joined the network party just one. but it was a great experience for me. In that party, I could meet friends come from other countries, such as Russia, Taiwan, Mexico and so on. Even though it was a first time we met each other. we could make relationship as friends and even until now i have contacted with them. i am so thankful to network of BW-STIPENDIUM. it would have been great if i had joined other network.

6) HANDY TIPS FOR FUTURE SCHOLARSHIP HOLDERS

I recommended you to join the network of BW-STIPENDIUM as much as you can. it would be good opportunities to experience a lot of things.
And please check the e-mail often, so you can get information about networks and conferences and so on.

7) OTHER