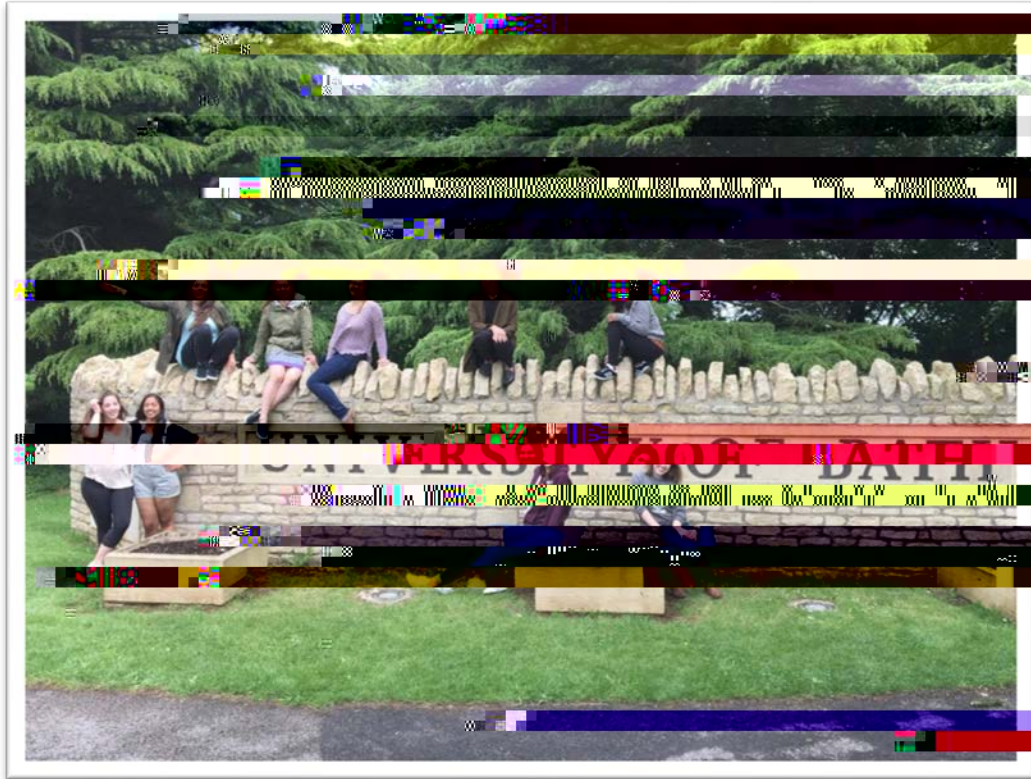




UNIVERSITY OF BATH

My Semester Abroad



SPRING 2017: FEBRUARY TO JUNE

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My exchange at the University of Bath was the time of my life; It was so difficult to try and distill the entire experience to under 2000 words. I hope you find this report helpful! I can't recommend spending a semester at the University of Bath more.

Early in the application process, I realized I had mutual friends going to Bath and met even more at SFU's Exchange Orientation in the fall. Several of us ended up booking our flight and hotel together. Our flight flew directly from Vancouver to Gatwick and

was with Air Transat. We arrived in Bath one day before accommodation opened and stayed at The Royal Hotel. We

I am so glad I chose Thornbank

fantastic, even in March. I went to Drogheda in Ireland during the first week of Easter break to visit my aunts, uncle and cousins—I was thrilled to see them again after seven years. Nine of my exchange friends and I took a trip to Italy together next, staying in an apartment in Rome. We had so much fun together. Only one of my friends had classes that started later in the week like me, so we stayed longer in Italy. We visited both Florence and Cinque Terre together. I loved Florence—it was much calmer than Rome, and I found the food to be even better. I'm not sure there could have been a better way to spend my vacation. My final trip outside England was to Wales and Ireland with my parents; we left from Dublin to Vancouver about 2 weeks after the exchange term ended.

Luckily I was prepared for the emotional journey home, and was actively working throughout my time abroad to stay in the moment and take mental pictures. If I hadn't, I believe my transition home would