FCAT IAT/Linguistics

UCM the Netherlands

FEB/2016 JUNE/2016

$830 CAD

$70

Take flight to Amsterdam, and take the train from there

Canadian

$80CAD

Eindhoven

1 month

Maastricht is a small city, and the easiest way in is by train. You can arrange for a pickup by one of the university's students at the train station instead.

Schipol in Amsterdam

It's so much fun! There is a lot of information to take in throughout the orientation sessions, but in the end there's a little get together for everyone. The great thing is that the orientation is not only for exchange students, but also for new students at the university, so you will get to meet people that are attending the school as regular students. You will also be taught and practice the PBL system, so it's vital that you attend

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Half of a semester, or an entire semester. It's your choice!

I took classes for the entire semester. It was once a week, in the evenings. I forgot the cost, but it's worth half the credits of a regular course at the university.

the Guesthouse on Brouwersweg 100

$560 CAD

5 minute bike ride

Both readily available.

Through their website: http://www.maastrichthousing.com/

You may find cheaper options if you chose to live somewhere other than the Guesthouse. There's no real campus in Maastricht, so either way, you will be close to the university campus.

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It's really fun to stay at the Guesthouse as you get to meet fellow exchange students from all over the world. The ESN office is also located here, and they are an organization that put together a lot of events for international students.

Most places don't take credit card, so it was handy to have a debit card.

Carry Euros with you for sure, but if you have Canadian/American cash it's not too difficult to exchange it.

You will just need to email the advisor with your preferred courses.

Humanities and Sciences

English

All the universities of Maastricht use a teaching/learning system called Problem Based Learning (PBL). The courses are taught in group discussion-heavy tutorials, and most lectures are not mandatory. You will be taught all about it in the orientation, so it's important to attend it! Quality of instruction was also very high, and professional.

It's a different experience to be taught in the PBL system, so I faced a challenging, yet rewarding experience.

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