My Great Time in Stirling Scotland

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All the people I met and the places I explored were the best parts of the exchange.

Experience Details Semester: Fall Year: 2022

Introduction + Preparation

To prepare for my exchange in Stirling I looked at things to do and nearby places to visit while I was there. If you are only staying for 1 semester you won't be able to open a bank account. Make sure you get a credit card or something with low fees, personally I used an app called wise that worked really well for me.

Preparation Tips for Future Students

Leave some space in your suitcase for the things that you buy over there.

During my Experience

Orientation and First Weeks

I went to all the orientation and social events the first week. I found it to be a good way to make friends. The Student Union had organized events for every day of the first week of school, this included parties, traditional Scottish dancing and a bingo night. There was an orientation for all the exchange students that went over how the expectations may be different and how the grading worked which was helpful.

Advice for Future Students

Unfortunately, while away I had a lot of issues with my banks. I got a UK sim which meant that my secondary authentication with my phone number no longer worked. Getting this fixed was a pain so talk to your bank about what happens if you have a non-Canadian phone number while you are away. Otherwise, just go on exchange, one of the best decisions I've ever made.







