

Internship experience in Switzerland

General information about Switzerland

Before arrival to Switzerland I heard a lot about this country to tell the truth it was much better than I expected.



Work in NXP Semiconductor

My internship is in the company of NXP Semiconductors in “BU Mobile and – Personal”. This company is among top 10 companies in the world, which produces different types of microchips. I am in the software designing and developing team. Our team is developing the software for the data base system which contains the data and information about all mobile phones in the world. This is really challenging and at the same time interesting work where strong skills on programming and in microchip technology is required. This company has an internationally oriented company strategy where many international specialists are working together for common goal. Despite the diversity of people, language and culture, every specialist is doing his task and discussing the problems together with others and sharing their skills and experience for to achieve the common goal.

Particularly what is interesting and surprised me in this place is almost all managers are gagging up to the “Utlberg” mountain and then down. Its around 15-20 km., frankly speaking I have tried this also, but I tell you, this is really hard and many years of experience is needed. I was always running behind and watching how my manager Stephan Koch who invited me to try myself in gagging for far distance and the others were doing this easily. And those managers were in very good health conditions and they were doing this for several years.

IAESTE organization

Weekly meeting

Weekly meeting is something special here each week we meet our friends from IAESTE in various place of Zurich even once we had BBQ on the roof of IAESTE National Committee building organized by IAESTE National Committee. This is really special meeting where you meet friends from the whole world and enjoy staying in Switzerland and share our experience and information's to each other. You never get bored in this meetings because of really active and interesting people from Local Committee like Hisashi Saito, Isabel Juchli, Andreas Tiefenauer, Ivana Troglic are always there.



IAESTE Trip organization

Trip organization in Switzerland is scheduled for whole year in advance you can visit IAESTE events website and find trips almost for every weekend and every time different events, mostly this trips are organised by the Local Committee members most of

them are volunteer students and I found that they are doing a very good job. They are always ready to help and explain, if you have some problems, they are in charge of organising and making the trainees stay in Switzerland interesting and easy.

Football championship Sport events

This year a football games for Switzerland was a special event, because it held in Switzerland also. I have enjoyed of being here especially this time, because I like to play and watch football. It was indescribably interesting how fans were cheering for their loving teams and watching games.

I found that Swiss people like sport very much some people do, running, biking, hiking, rafting, skiing, swimming some of them are doing “kung fu” too. If you come to Switzerland you can be sure that you will have an opportunity to try yourself in any of those sports.

Mountain trips

Mountains are unbelievably beautiful in Switzerland there are many places were you can go for hiking to mountains. I was in top of “Muottas Muragl” and “Diavolezza” mountains its near St.Moritz South East of Switzerland. Its hard to describe the beauty of these places in words it needs to see that and feel. There is a nice panoramic view from the top of the mountain. You can see how clouds are swimming in just a few meters from you and enjoy the view of the St. Moritz city and its three beautiful lakes one after another.



Train Transportation

I would like to mention that the railway train lines are very convenient in Switzerland, despite the existence of many other transportation types like cars, buses, trams, bikes or bicycles. I've experienced that travelling around Switzerland or getting your work on time and for chip price with monthly “abonoma “and “half-tax” the train is a best choice here. They are always on scheduled time, exact, fast and convenient. There are mach more to tell about Switzerland and about my internship here but this is a really long story to fit in this article.

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