

Baudepartement of canton Basel

Internship in Basel. Aigerim Sultanbekova from Kazakhstan, 20.6. - 25.9.2016 1. Experience of being abroad.

Discovering Europe starting with Switzerland is really good chance and opportunity. And I was really lucky to have such kind of experience. Before coming I didn't expect anything, but after arriving Basel met me with warm welcome, kind people and sunshine. My supervisor Madeleine picked me up in the airport and from the beginning of my staying here helped me with everything and I really appreciate it.

Basel it's not only one of the biggest city in Switzerland, but also the city situated in the borders of Switzerland, Germany and France. So there is a chance to have Swiss breakfast, German lunch and French dinner in one day in three countries⁽¹⁾.



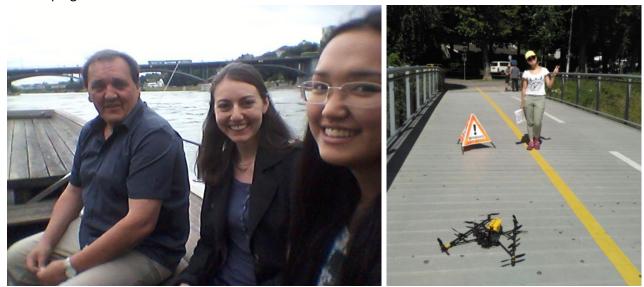


Full of worries and courage before landing to Basel

The point of 3 countries

2. Internship.

Internship in Tiefbauamt (TBA) Basel-Stadt was during 14 weeks 20.07.2016-25.09.2016. During the internship there was good opportunity to practice geodetic skills and learn more about methods of measurements, new modern instruments with surveying team, to gain a lot of experience and knowing new GIS software, to measure the depth of Rein river with echo sounder, to understand the work system and specific character of scientific field like geodesy and cartography. It was good chance to have experience in the fieldwork and then analyze measurements in the office with wellqualified engineers, surveyors, photogrammetry and GIS specialists. And thanks them for their kindness and helping.



First day of meeting with my supervisors Mr. Schmidt and Madeleine Manyoky

Photogrammetry measurements with the drone



3. People. Food. Football. Alps.

People I met during my staying in Switzerland and traveling were nice and kind. Even if they don't know English they helped me to find a way, take the right tram or gave their blessings. Stereotypes of Swiss food are chocolate and cheese, but new to me were "Rivella" and "Rosti". I really liked them.

Also I was lucky to having chance to go to the football Champions League match of FC Basel. The final result was 1-1, but here I saw how Basel people support they team and this reminded me fans of my hometown team FC "Aktobe". I enjoyed of being in the St.Jacob Stadium.

Alps are gorgeous. They calm you down and make all worries and fears disappear.



There is no need for words. Just feel the mountains..



The moment when everyone has one aim

4. IAESTE

IAESTE helps students not only to train and practice their skills of their speciality, gain experiences and learn new things, but also to travel and earn some money. All meetings and weekends are unforgettable and awesome! They help to get trainees close; to exchange with our work and life experiences; to meet people with common aims or lifestyle. That's really the most exciting and amazing part of internship. For me IAESTE is studying, travelling and friendship. And it will be hard to forget this incredible summertime with IAESTE!



First meeting with LC Basel members. Here I discovered "Rivella" for myself ©

Wine Trial Weekend. From Sierre to Salgesch



Unofficial trip to Reichenbachfälle, for fans of Sherlock



Munich Weekend with 150 IAESTE people from everywhere