

## Flávia Personal Report

This 5 months IAESTE internship was my first experience being abroad and to add, totally by myself! I feel now that I am an entirely another person, a lot more confident and strong. So, my advice is: be aware, because you will enter a rollercoaster... A lot of daily “difficulties” (which make you grow), new tastes, friends that you’ll want to keep forever and the best experiences of your life!



Work at Dätwyler

super nice and my boss always integrated me in the meetings, in the ongoing activities and I even visited Datwyler’s Italian factory in Milan.

My internship was at Datwyler a 100 years Swiss Company, with global presence. I can’t be more grateful for this unique opportunity for my professional career. As an Industrial Engineering student, I could work with and learn more about Performance Management, Lean manufacturing and Production Systems. My colleagues were

Switzerland is amazing and you should explore it as much as possible. I lived in Schattdorf - a very small village in Uri Canton – with just me as IAESTE trainee, but I manage to go to almost all IAESTE weekends trips and it was incredible. Being a Brazilian I was quite afraid of Swiss weather, but the summer really surprised me! I feel I’ve never enjoy a summer so much, as I was always outside doing something, being swimming in the lake or at the mountains (alps my eternal love now).



Ticino Weekend



Casual Hiking

As cultural shock, it wasn't so hard for me. The views in Switzerland are unbelievable, and takes time for stopping taking pictures every 5 steps. People, although different from Brazil, are very polite and want to help you in all they can. I got some weight, however it is totally worthy eating as much cheese and chocolate as you can. Finally, the infrastructure is super good, so anyone can be fine living there and moving around by themselves.

IAESTE is super organized in Switzerland, they supported me in all I needed. More, what I like the most is that you feel like in a family (a big and strange one with students from all over the world). You will travel together, hike, go to the lake, party, do BBQs, talk about culture differences, learn new words from several languages and try to explain when people make the hardest question to a IAESTE group "where are you all from?". As I mentioned, the weekend trips are great to know the country and the IAESTE members truly work hard to make it happen, so I just want to thank everybody.

Schweiz, Widerluege!

Flávia :D



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