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I was working 8,5 hours a day doing mostly job as an architect – designing plans, detail, concepts,... I was also one of the people who helped with other tasks such as cleaning after lunch break, loading the dishwasher and answering and redirecting phone calls. Every week everyone including me got meeting with the boss to update and ask questions and mostly for him to validate our progress. I got responsibility over a project just like other architects there.

I got lucky with my colleagues and with other friends I met in the town. I felt like home. The closest IAESTE group was 1,5 hours away so I didn't get to see them as much as I would like to. But I really enjoy every time with them or with others from all over the Switzerland during weekend trips.

I got happier and more independent than I was before. I lived alone in my apartment for the first time. I improved my French. I learned a lot about architecture from inside the company. I met new inspiring people from everywhere. I discovered another part of the world. I was really great.

