**University of Verona**

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| How does the workload in your classes compare to Strathclyde.  |
| Harder |
| the same |

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| Is there anything that you wished that you knew about the classes before you went?  |
| That you should only choose classes that will be lenient towards Erasmus students and that the exams are extremely difficult and the teachers dont give you much/any support |
| Probably the structure of the classes in the faculty here as this is different to the structure at Strathclyde. For law at Verona all classes are lectures and all have mandatory attendance! (BOO!)  |

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| What type of accommodation are you staying in whilst away?  |
| Private accommodation |
| student housing (by host university) |

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| What is your monthly cost for accommodation?  |
| 365 plus bills. bills could be 40-60 |
| 300 |

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| Do you have any advice about how looking for accommodation? Is there anything you wished you knew before you left about accommodation?  |
| I would go for student accomodation not provided by the university - I wish I knew that there was a facebook group which posted accomodation |
| Halls are good here as right on campus and really cheap! Difficulty with them as that you can't have guests. For this reason I would probably say private accommodation is more convenient but for an apartment in this location of Verona (right on campus!) you're talking about â‚¬600 monthly for rent inc bills so double.  |

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| What is the town/city like where you stay? |
| Verona |
| Medium sized city and everything is in walking distance!  |

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| Where is your favourite place to go?  |
| Campus |
| Cappa Caffe which is a bar located on the river Adige - full of Italians and does good cocktails at really good prices compared to home!  |

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| How do you find the university facilities (for example, library, labs, campus)?  |
| quite good |
| Campus is nice but library facilities and labs not great compared to Strathclyde. If you don't have your own laptop/iPad - you should get one as you can't really do without here.  |

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| Do you spend more or less money than you expected?  |
| Less |
| More |

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| Are you surprised by the high cost of anything in particular(for example, taxis, cheese, bread, wine)?  |
| taxis were expensive so we didnt take them often beauty products even deodorant is very expensive - bring from home if you can |
| Food is very expensive, in particular meat. Taxis are costly too but public transport is really economical.  |

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| How much money do you estimate you spend per month (any currency is ok)? |
| Â£600 euros including rent |
| â‚¬300 for accommodation and after that about Â£600 a month for food, travel etc.  |

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| Do you have a good social life? Does the host University offer any particular activities for international students?  |
| yes the ESN group always had events to go to |
| The ESN society organises loads of trips and they are all really good and cheap! only been here 4 weeks and already been on loads of trips to the surrounding areas. Really collegiate atmosphere with uni nights out most nights of the week! Haven't had 1 night in since I got here as there is always something on. The city is really vibrant and it's great to be out and about every night.  |

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| Would you recommend this University to future Strathclyde students who are considering studying abroad? If not, please explain your response or contact the Recruitment and International Office to discuss. |
| No because the university system is bad. when you go to sit an exam they changed it that morning until a different day. oral exams are never when they say they will be - had to wait 5 days one time. no leniency for erasmus students. |
| Yes |

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| Are you glad you decided to participate in an Erasmus Exchange? Please explain your answer. |
| yes I loved my year abroad. it was the hardest but best year. this was in spite of the university |
| Yes - amazing experience. |

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| Is there any additional information/advice you would like to pass on to future students who are considering study abroad at the same institution as you? |
| choose classes that you know will give less work for erasmus students - always check exam criteria before choosing the class. going to the ESN events is the best way to make friends |
| Really work on your foreign language before you go as it is really difficult and do not assume that most people speak English! This is a myth and if you don't learn their language you won't get to experience the culture or integrate with the host uni students!  |