

ANGABEN ZUM KENNENLERNAUFENTHALT / ABOUT YOUR GET-TO-KNOW-STAY

Fakultät / Institut / Faculty / Institute: Institute of plant Biotechnology and Biology	
Anschrift / Address: Schlossplatz 8, 48143 Münster, Germany	
Zeitraum / Length of stay: von / from : <u>18/10/2015</u> (TT/MM/JJJJ) – dd/mm/yyyy	bis / until: <u>01/11/2015</u> (TT/MM/JJJJ) – dd/mm/yyyy

Administrative Formalitäten / Administrative formalities

1. Visum / Visa:

a) Welche Art musste beantragt werden? / Which type of visa did you have to apply for?

Schengen Visa

b) Wo haben Sie das Visum beantragt? / Where did you apply for the visa?

Kuala Lumpur

c) Wann haben Sie das Visum beantragt? / When did you apply for the visa?

30/09/2015

2. Welche Versicherungen haben Sie abgeschlossen/abschließen müssen und von welchen Versicherungsunternehmen? / What types of insurances did you purchase and from which insurance companies?

Travel insurance from AXA insurance company

3. Welche Impfungen waren nötig? / Which vaccines were necessary?

Any-

4. Wie haben Sie Geldangelegenheiten vor Ort abgewickelt? (z.B. über Konto vor Ort, Online-Konto, Kreditkarte usw.?) / How did you manage your finances? (e.g., opened a local bank account, online banking, credit card, etc.)

Online banking

Information & Unterstützung / Information & Support

5. Wie erhielten Sie Informationen über Deutschland, die WWU Münster und die Kontaktperson? Waren die Informationen nützlich? / How did you get information about Germany, WWU Münster and contact person? Was the information useful?

<i>Informationsquelle / Information source</i>	<i>persönlicher Nutzen / useful</i>	
	<i>ja / yes</i>	<i>nein / no</i>
WWU Münster	☒	☐
Heimatinrichtung / Home institution	☐	☒
Andere StudentInnen / Other students	☐	☒
Internet	☒	☐
Sonstiges (bitte genaue Bezeichnung eingeben) / Other (please specify)	☐	☐

6. Erhielten Sie angemessene Unterstützung durch die WWU Münster vor und während Ihres Aufenthaltes? / Did you receive adequate support from WWU Münster before and during your research stay?

(1 = sehr schlecht/poor; 5 = sehr gut/excellent)

1	2	3	4	5
☐	☐	☐	☐	☒

Beschreiben Sie bitte näher. / Please describe further.

Yes, I received ample support financially and in terms of hospitality at the Münster university. The cash amount I got, was sufficient for the travel ticket and daily necessities. Moreover, supportive staffs of graduate center of WWU provided the best foods and beverages for us during our stay in Münster.

7. Welche Vorbereitung auf die Zielkultur/das Zielland (beispielsweise Information zu Geschichte, Staatsform, Kultur, Verhalten, Religion etc.) wären hilfreich gewesen? / Which information or preparations in terms of the host country (e.g., history, language, culture, customs) would have been helpful?

8. Welche Vorbereitung hinsichtlich der WWU Münster (beispielsweise Hochschulstrukturen, akademische Gepflogenheiten etc.) wären hilfreich gewesen? / Which information or preparations in terms of WWU Münster (e.g., university structure, academic customs) would have been helpful?

At the first day a summary of the process for studying PhD at the Muenster university was given by Dr. Jan Schmidt. Also a workshop about "Organization skill" was held at the graduate center which we could get very useful information about

9. Wie kann das Projekt IP@WWU Ihrer Meinung nach noch weiter verbessert werden (z.B. Information, Bewerbungsverfahren)? / How could the IP@WWU project be improved (e.g., information, application procedures)?

from my point of view everything was perfect for this project and the members of the graduate center could organize it more than my expectations.

10. Wie beurteilen Sie den Integrationsgrad mit den Studenten und Mitarbeitern der WWU Münster? / How do you consider your degree of integration with WWU Münster's students and staff?

(1 = sehr schlecht/poor; 5 = sehr gut/excellent)				
1	2	3	4	5
☐	☐	☐	☐	☒

Beschreiben Sie bitte näher. / Please describe further.

The people at the WWU were so friendly and helpful. I could make a good connection with them at the first day, and I could find new friends from different countries. Most of the time we had meal together which was a good time to have fun and talk about our experiences in muenster.

Unterkunft & Forschungsinfrastruktur / Accommodation & research infrastructure

11. Art der Unterbringung in Münster / Type of accommodation in Münster

- ☒ durch die Universität (Studentenwohnheim o. Ä.) / university accommodation (e. g., student halls of residence)
☐ private Unterkunft (z.B. mit einer Familie)/ private housing (e. g. family)
☐ WG / shared apartment
☐ Sonstiges (bitte genaue Bezeichnung eingeben) / other (please specify)
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12. Wie haben Sie die Unterkunft gefunden? / How did you find the accommodation?

- ☐ WWU Münster
☐ Freunde, Familie / Friends, family
☐ Privatmarkt / Private market
☐ Internet
☒ Sonstiges (bitte genaue Bezeichnung eingeben) / other (please specify)
 My Supervisor Prof. Bruno Moerschbacher provided hostel for me
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13. Wie zufrieden waren Sie mit Ihrer Unterkunft?
How satisfied were you with your accommodation?

(1 = sehr unzufrieden/very dissatisfied ... 5 = sehr zufrieden/very satisfied)				
1	2	3	4	5
☐	☐	☒	☐	☐

Beschreiben Sie bitte näher. / Please describe further.

The accommodation was good and comfortable, but it was quite far from the Muenster university and Biology laboratory.

14. Wie zufrieden waren Sie mit der Infrastruktur der WWU Münster / How satisfied were you with WWU Münster's infrastructure:

	(1 = sehr unzufrieden/very dissatisfied ... 5 = sehr zufrieden/very satisfied)				
	1	2	3	4	5
Zugang zum Arbeitsplatz (PC, Internet) / Access to working space (PC, Internet)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Zugang zu den Bibliotheken / Access to libraries	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Sonstiges (bitte genaue Bezeichnung eingeben) / Other (please specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Beschreiben Sie bitte näher. / Please describe further.

We could access to the internet by WWU student wifi. Moreover, PC was available for me in the laboratory.

Akademische Qualität / Academic quality

15. Wie beurteilen Sie die Qualität der Betreuung durch Ihren Gastgeber-Dozenten? How do you rate the quality of your host supervisor's support?

(1 = sehr schlecht/poor; 5 = sehr gut/excellent)

	1	2	3	4	5
Zugänglichkeit zu dem/der BetreuerIn / Supervisor's accessibility	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Engagement des Betreuers/der Betreuerin / Supervisor's engagement	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Beratungsgespräche mit dem/der Betreuer/in / Consultations with the supervisor	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Sonstiges (bitte genaue Bezeichnung eingeben) / Other (please specify)					
Manage a useful plan during this two weeks	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒

Beschreiben Sie bitte näher. / Please describe further.

Prof. Bruno Moerschbacher had scheduled a practical plan for me. During this two weeks I had the chance to participate in different projects on the biology lab and working with other students. working in the lab was along with a lot of experiences. It was a very warm environment and the people were so friendly and helpful. They helped me clarify the blur

16. Wie beurteilen Sie die Qualität ... / How do you rate the quality of...

(1 = sehr schlecht/poor; 5 = sehr gut/excellent)

	1	2	3	4	5
Ihrer Forschungsarbeiten?/research activities you took?	☐	☐	☐	☒	☐
des an der Gasteinrichtung zur Verfügung stehenden Forschungsmaterials?/study material you obtained at your host institution?	☐	☐	☐	☒	☐

Beschreiben Sie bitte näher. / Please describe further.

I completed my master research in Malaysia. the quality of research in Malaysia is quite high and I have gotten a lot of technical lab experiences during my master degree. Most of the methods and techniques which students of WWU at the biology lab are working on, I experienced in that period.

17. Wie unterscheiden sich die Forschungsstruktur und -kultur an der WWU Münster von denen an Ihrer Heimatuniversität (bzw. in Deutschland von denen in Ihrem Heimatland)? / How do research structure and research culture at WWU Münster differ from those at your home university (or in Germany from your home country in general)?

The most significant feature for the biology lab at the munster university is excellent facilities and availability of all the chemicals and materials for doing research. This is a big issue for students in Iran. Although there are a lot of intelligent students in Iran with remarkable knowledge and idea, the accessibility of the lab facilities is not satisfactory and most of

Kosten / Expenses

18. Wie hoch waren die wöchentlichen Lebenshaltungskosten während Ihres Auslandsaufenthalts? / What were average weekly costs during your stay abroad?

	€
Unterkunft / accommodation	75
Lebensmittel / food	120
öffentliche Verkehrsmittel / Transportation	30

<i>Gesamtsumme per Woche / Total per week</i>	225

19. Wurden Ihre Kosten durch das Kennenlernstipendium gedeckt? / Did the get-to-know stipend cover your costs?

☒ Ja / yes
 ☐ Nein, per Woche habe ich zusätzlich _____ € ausgegeben.
 No, I spent additionally _____ € per week.

20. Haben Sie im Vergleich zu dem, was sie in Ihrem Heimatland aufwenden, in Münster mehr ausgegeben? / Did you spend more in Münster compared to what you normally spend in your home country per week?

☒ Nein / no
 ☐ Ja / yes, _____ €.

21. Mussten Sie irgendeine Art von Gebühren an der WWU Münster entrichten? / Did you have to pay any kind of fees at WWU Münster?

☒ Nein / no
 ☐ Ja / yes, _____ € für / for _____

(bitte genaue Bezeichnung eingeben / please specify)

Persönliche Erfahrungen / Your personal experience

22. Was waren ihre spezifischen Ziele des Kennenleraufenthaltes? Haben Sie ihre Ziele erreicht? /
Which specific objectives did you have for your get-to-know stay and did you achieve them?

(1 = überhaupt nicht erreicht/not at all; 5 = voll erreicht/fully)

Ziele / Aims:	1	2	3	4	5
Meet my supervisor	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Discuss about PhD topic	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Visit the city	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Accustom with German culture	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
Find new friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒

23. Wie würden Sie Ihren Kennenleraufenthalt insgesamt einschätzen? / How would you evaluate your get-to-know stay in general?

I evaluate the get-to-know stay plan, perfect and helpful. Not only I could get informed about PhD studying in Germany, but also now I can help my friends who are interested to continue their PhD in Germany, especially at the Muenster university. Since, Muenster is a great city, and the level of study and lab facilities are remarkable, I strongly recommend it to my friends and colleagues.

24. Bitte beschreiben Sie Ihre beste Erfahrung / Please describe your best experience.

This two weeks was along with different fantastic memories with new friends. I gained really good experiences during this period which the best one was staying with people with different culture and lifestyle. I met the people who were very kind and friendly and tried to solve problems as sympathetic as a family member, and the people who helped me alot when I was looking for an address in the city, although they could not speak english and I couldn't speak German!

25. Bitte beschreiben Sie Ihre schlechteste Erfahrung / Please describe your worst experience.

Fortunately I had no bad experience during this two weeks. except adaptation to the cool weather of Muenster. Since I am living in a warm land, and this difference made a little problem for me at the first days.

26. Halten Sie die Dauer Ihres Kennenlernaufenthaltes für / *Do you consider your get-to-know stay to have been ...*

- ☐ zu kurz / too short
☐ zu lang / too long
☒ genau richtig / just right

Falls zu kurz bzw. zu lang: welche Dauer hätten Sie sich gewünscht bzw. wäre ideal gewesen? / If too short or too long: which length would have been ideal?

Beschreiben Sie bitte näher. / Please describe further.

The duration for staying in Munster for Get-to-know was completely enough. Two weeks is an appropriate time to gain all

27. Welche Tipps können Sie nachfolgenden Studierenden, die ebenfalls einen Aufenthalt an der WWU planen, zu dieser Einrichtung, dieser Stadt, diesem Land etc. geben (Geheimtipps, lohnenswerte Aktivitäten, wichtige Ratschläge)? / Could you please give other students planning a stay at WWU Münster some tips about this institution, city or country (insider info, useful activities, valuable advice)?

Muenster is a small and calm city with beautiful scenery and pleasant weather. The public transportation in the city is excellent. It would be better if students install the app about the buses schedule. This App provides the facility for the people to find the closest bus station to their place and find out the shortest way to their destination. The bus ticket could be taken from the ticket machines near the bus stations. This is an economic way to buy a week or a month ticket instead of paying for every ride at the highest price. carrying a city map always is helpful to avoid getting lost when you are in a city for the first time. and last but not least if you have plan to stay in Munster learn how to ride a bicycle and enjoy the