

REPORT ON MY STAY AT UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON

Since 2012, I have been studying Computer Science in a Master's programme at the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology. As my studies are coming to an end and as I have yet to gain experience abroad, I decided to pursue an educational visit to an English-speaking country. To make the most out of such a stay, I aimed to study at a university with a high, world-class reputation. I also wanted to spend time in a place that offered plenty of opportunities to fill my free time with new and enriching experiences. In the end, my choice was University College London (UCL), because it perfectly fulfils all these requirements. One further reason for this choice was the fact that, at that time, I had not yet been to the United Kingdom.

I am very glad to have been admitted to UCL, because it is a world-class university. It is also a unique institution, as it is located in the heart of London – a famous world metropolis. Another reason why UCL is a good choice for a stay abroad is that it is very multicultural. It can be undoubtedly said that at a place like UCL, the whole world gets together in a friendly and amiable way. The courses I enrolled in at the University College London offered me the pleasurable experience of meeting new people from countries, from which I had not known anyone before.

In addition, I was impressed with the great lectures at UCL. Usually, the classes are very small and the lecturers have time for individual support. This is a major difference from the German education system. It was a real pleasure for me to be able to speak with lecturers face to face, and I

think this form of education fosters an optimal, supportive environment, in which one can study really efficiently.

Besides my studies at UCL, I had the opportunity to discover London on my own. London is a city that assembles a diverse range of people and cultures. This amazing megalopolis offers many famous cultural and historical sights, some of which I visited in my free time. I think I covered all the major tourist spots, such as the Palace of Westminster with its iconic landmark Big Ben, the Tower Bridge, the London Eye and many more. Apart from London, I also visited other places in the UK, including Oxford, Cambridge, Brighton, Stonehenge and Windsor Castle, which helped me to get to know the British past and present with my own eyes.

Staying in London was a great life experience. I would therefore like to thank the British Chamber of Commerce in Germany and the Rolls-Royce Company for supporting my visit. I am looking forward to coming back to the United Kingdom soon, in order to discover some other places I was unable to see due to the limited period of my stay.



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