ERASMUS + Erfahrungsbericht

ZUR PERSON

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Studienfach: Architektur
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PRAKTIKUMSEINRICHTUNG

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ERFAHRUNGSBERICHT

1) Praktikumseinrichtung

Bitte beschreiben Sie kurz Ihre Praktikumseinrichtung.

JAKOB+MACFARLANE practice is one of the leading architecture companies in France. It was founded in 1992 by Brendan Macfarlane and Dominique Jakob. It is a multidisciplinary and multicultural architecture agency. It uses digital technology both as a conceptual tool and as a means of production, thereby using new materials to create flexible and responsive environments for commercial and residential purposes. Their main projects include the Restaurant Georges Pompidou Centre (2000), the reconstruction of the theater of Pont-Audemer in Normandy (2001), the Library Florence Loewy Books by Artists in Paris (2001), the New Communication Center for Renault in Métal 57 in Boulogne-Billancourt (2004), the Ricard Foundation (2007) and Docks - City of Fashion and Design, 100 housing Herold in Paris (2008), the Orange Cube and RBC showroom in Lyon in 2010 and the FRAC Centre in Orléans (2013).

2) Praktikumsplatzsuche

Auf welchem Weg haben Sie Ihren Praktikumsplatz gefunden? Gibt es empfehlenswerte Links oder andere Tipps?

I knew The architecture practice JAKOB+MACFARLANE from international architectural magazines as well as web resources (especially archdaily.com, dezeen.com). I would mainly recommend looking at archdaily articles about different architectural projects all over the world and find your favorite architectural companies.

3) Vorbereitung

Wie haben Sie sich auf das Praktikum vorbereitet (sprachlich, interkulturell, fachlich, organisatorisch etc.)? Gibt es empfehlenswerte Links oder andere Tipps?

As the office is international the main language was English and additionally French sometimes. I had to learn basic French to understand how to use the software and be able to read the project titles.

4) Unterkunft

Wie haben Sie Ihre Unterkunft gefunden? Gibt es empfehlenswerte Links oder andere Tipps?

It was quite difficult to find a good accommodation in Paris as the city is very popular and all the options are rented quickly. I would recommend using the following links to search for a room: www.appartager.com, www.lacartedescolocs.fr

However, I was very lucky and found a nice place to stay. It was a cozy room with a small kitchen inside and a sharing bathroom.
5) **Praktikum**

_Bitte beschreiben Sie die während Ihres Praktikums bearbeiteten Aufgaben und/oder Projekte. Wie erfolgte die Betreuung und Integration? Wie waren die Arbeitsbedingungen? Gab es besonders positive oder auch negative Erfahrungen?_

Initially, the purpose of my internship was to help with one of the upcoming competitions. I therefore started with a project in Morocco, in the city Tangier. My task was to create the graphic representation of the competition project. I visualized a master plan of the site, created the final perspective images required by the competition, made the diagrams of the building circulation.

The next project I worked on was a competition for a French pavilion at the Biennale in Venice for 2018. I worked with a team of 3 people. Mainly, I made the concept diagrams explaining the project and some 3D sketching in order to find a proper geometry.

The last project I participated in was a competition project for a housing proposal in Paris. In this project I got a lot of responsibility. I coordinated other interns and was in charge of 3D modeling. Here I attach some photos of a project process.

During the internship the office had an opening of a new designed school of music in Paris. I had a chance to attend this event. There was an excursion inside the building and afterwards a speech given by the founder of JACOB+MACFARLANE practice. It was very interesting and useful to see how the project was realized and built. Here I attach the photo from the opening with all current interns at the office.

I was super happy to work for the office and had only positive experience.

6) **Erworbene Qualifikationen**

_Welche Qualifikationen und Fähigkeiten haben Sie während des Praktikums erworben bzw. verbessert?_

I had a great chance to improve professional software skills doing different kind of projects. I learned specific aspects of the software use. For instance, I learned visualization tools in Rhinoceros software which helped me a lot to do final image renderings.

7) **Sonstiges**

_Gibt es noch etwas, das Sie anderen Studierenden mitteilen möchten?_

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8) **Fazit**

_Wie lautet das Fazit zu Ihrem Erasmus-Praktikum?_

I am very exited to have an internship at the agency Jakob+Macfarlane. The experience I am having there is very broad and useful for my further career. Working as an intern I have been getting different tasks and responsibilities which are normally unusual for a position of an intern. Thank you very much to the Erasmus program and Dessau International school of architecture which support such internships and helping to students to organize them.