

IT University Travel Report

Dear Student, this is a template – the aim is to inspire other students who may wish to follow in your footsteps. You are free to give your report the shape you want and to go beyond the questions. You are also very welcome to include pictures and contact information – but you need not.

Note that by filling in and sending the report you automatically consent to publishing it on ITU student.

Study programme at IT University:

Activity abroad: Field research

1. **Period abroad:** semester (autumn/spring) _____ Autumn___ year ____ 2024_____

Your stay abroad

Please describe your stay abroad:

For our thesis project, researching future design in the context of museums – in collaboration with the Danish design museum, we visited 5 museums with future exhibitions in Berlin, over the course of 3 days in November. We arrived Thursday morning and went directly to the KINDL museum, for the exhibition "The New Subject. Mutating Rights and Conditions of Living Bodies". Later the same day we went to Dark Matter, and experimental interaction design exhibition. On Friday we visited the fotografiska museum for the exhibition "The Machine Monologues", the Futurium, a large future museum and Kunstgewerbemuseum, the craft and design museum of berlin.

What was your initial motivation for going abroad and did your stay meet your expectations?

Berlin is a hub for interaction design, and provided great insights to different approaches to museum design and future exhibitions. This field research trip was a great part of our data collection in this thesis project and provided great insights into how we design and communicate the future.

Please describe what you got out of your stay, both personally and academically, and how do you expect it to contribute to your further studies?

As previously mentioned, this was a big part of our empirical data for our thesis project, and will help create the framework for our thesis.

Arranging your stay

Please give a short description of the process involved in arranging your stay:

As the stay was very short, we planned it quickly. We found transportation that matched our needs, and stayed at a hostel in Berlin.

What resources did you find helpful in planning your stay and which people did you use (if any)?

We spend the most time figuring out which exhibitions we found relevant. Futurium and dark matter was our main attractions.

How did you arrange practicalities such as accommodation?

We wished to go by train, but this was too expensive. So we found plane tickets through momondo and booked a hostel through booking.com, the hostel was called old town hostel and was located in Prenzlauerberg

Expenses and Financing

Please comment on expenses connected to your stay abroad:

The primary expenses were airplane tickets and accommodation. The airplane tickets cost 1.426,67 per person. The hostel cost 2415,33, which we split three ways.

Did you apply for scholarships, and would you recommend any ones in particular?

We all applied for the ITU travel pool

Recommendations for other students:

The museums were great, so I do recommend all of them, but specifically KINDL was a nice surprise. The hostel was nice as well, and pretty cheap. I would have preferred going by train, so if you can find affordable train tickets I would recommend that.