EXCHANGE PARTICIPANT QUESTIONNAIRE

STUDENT INFORMATION

Faculty: Business Administration  Major/Minor: Accounting
Host university: Mannheim University  Host Country: Germany
Dates of your exchange: (month/year) 02/2018 to (month/year) 06/2018

TRAVEL

Approximately how much did air transportation cost? 1000
Approximately how much did any required ground transportation cost? 240
Do you have a recommended routing or airline? ☐ No ☐ Yes
If yes, please describe: Deutsch Bahn

VISAS

What is your citizenship? (voluntary; may impact following information) Thai
Did you need a student visa/permit? ☐ No ☐ Yes: What was the cost? 100 Proof of Studies
If yes, what documentation was needed?
Did you need a visitor visa/permit? ☐ No ☐ Yes: What was the cost? Schengen Visa
If yes, what documentation was needed?
Where was your immigration documentation processed? Finland
How long did it take to procure your visa/permit? 3 weeks
Were any other documents required (residence permit, etc)? ☐ No ☐ Yes
If yes, please comment: Residence Permit from K7

AIRPORT RECEPTION

Were you met at the airport by representatives of the host university? ☐ No ☐ Yes
Is there easy transportation between the airport and university? ☐ No ☐ Yes
Please comment: Deutsche Bahn connects the airport in Frankfurt to Mannheim.
What is the closest airport to the host university? Frankfurt Airport

ORIENTATION

Is there an organized orientation session upon arrival at the host university? ☐ No ☐ Yes
Was there a cost for the orientation session? ☐ No ☐ Yes, how much?
If yes, do you recommend that future students participate? ☐ No ☐ Yes
Please comment:
**LANGUAGE PROGRAMS**

Is there a language program available either before or during the term?  
☐ No  ☐ Yes

If yes, how long is it?  
2-4 months

Is there an additional cost for language training?  
☐ No  ☐ Yes: How much?

Please comment: The first course is available for free. Subsequent classes can be taken at additional costs depending on the courses.

**ACCOMMODATION & LIVING**

Is on-campus or university dormitory accommodation available?  
☐ No  ☐ Yes

If yes, are you living in a university dormitory?  
☐ No  ☐ Yes

If yes, can you make a recommendation for a specific dormitory?  
☐ No  ☐ Yes

If yes, please describe:  

What is the average monthly cost of accommodation? 500 Euros

Is there a meal plan?  
☐ No  ☐ Yes: How much is it?

If no, do you have access to adequate cooking facilities?  
☐ No  ☐ Yes

How far is your dormitory from the main campus? 10 minutes by foot

Please comment on internet and phone access in your dormitory:  
Wifi is readily accessible. Phone access is convenient.

Did you have to make a deposit for your accommodation prior to arrival?  
☐ No  ☐ Yes

If yes, how did you arrange this?

Is off-campus housing easily available?  
☐ No  ☐ Yes

Please comment on off-campus housing:  
Air-bnb is recommended.

Approximately how much money per month is needed for living, including accommodation and meals? 1000

Any other comments on accommodation:
FINANCIAL DETAILS
Have you opened a bank account in your host country? □ No  □ Yes: What are the challenges/benefits to opening a local bank account? It is convenient to open a bank account there.

How would you recommend students bring money (Canadian/American cash, travelers’ cheques, local currency?)
Credit cards and Canadian / American cash are both fine.

What is/are the preferred method(s) of payment at most establishments? □ Cash □ Debit □ Credit card
Please comment: Having a bank account in Mannheim is necessary as signing up for most activities such as the school gym or dance classes require members to have a bank account in Germany. I opened an account with Sparkasse.

ACADEMIC DETAILS
Was it possible for you to get all of the courses that you wanted? □ No  □ Yes

Please describe the course registration procedure:
Sign up for the courses you want online. I recommend Marketing class.

What discipline(s)/program(s) are you taking at your host university? Marketing, Organization and HR
What is the language of instruction in your courses? English
If not English, are English-taught courses available? 

Describe the manner and quality of instruction at your host university.
Excellent, especially courses conducted in smaller sizes.

What do you feel is/will be the main academic benefit of your participation in this exchange program?
Marketing class has provided me with a different perspective on how I view the subject of study as a whole.

Submission Instructions: 1. Please complete and return this form by E-mail to studyabroad@sfu.ca as a PDF. 2. Subject line of email: Questionnaire - [Host Country, Host University] 3. Please include your full name and student number in the body of your E-mail.