**Motivation letter**

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Since I was child I was dreaming about studying or working abroad. Program Erasmus is according to me the best way how to leave the country for a while and fulfill my dream.

Many people told me, that in times when I was a toddler such study experience as Erasmus was not even a fiction. Today, 20 years later, you can freely travel over 27 states just with your ID and pay with one currency to 500 million citizens of EU.

The main reason which is pushing me to apply for program Erasmus is to watch and learn from foreigners how to solve different and common problems in a different way. I am sure, that when you are abroad, you start comparing your home country with the one you are visiting. For example you start with public transport, road building, traffic signs; continue with architecture, style, country and end with nation favorite free-time activities, hobbies and night life. Observing these details make you think different and look on the problems with different eyes.

Second reason for applying is to learn a new language and improve my knowledge of English. Because during the study in my mother tongue I haven’t got many opportunities to improve my foreign language skills, and absolutely no time to learn a new language.

Studying abroad is of course connected with meeting new people, making new contacts and traveling. Although the main goal of Erasmus stay is still in the field of study, from my previous experiences I think it is great to personally get to know people from different states of Europe and talk with them on a same level about a same topic (sport, music, movies, ....) .

From all the students I know in my field of study I am not the best, but I am the only one who has the courage and the will to study abroad. Any working or studying experience is valuable and counts in my CV or increases my value on the labour market.