FRANCE



F LYON02 Université Lumière Lyon 2

Country Information	Aer Lingus are the only airline that fly to Lyon, book flights in advance for cheap fares.
	Paris is only 2/3 hours away on a fast train, it is cheap and so are the flights from Paris to Dublin (the same as Geneva).
	Make the most of being so close to the mountains, skiing is a very popular sport in the region, it is possible to go on weekends and even day trips skiing and they are the best.
	Lyon is the food capital of France, there are many bouchons in vieux-Lyon which offer a vast range of affordable set menus and give you an opportunity to take advantage of local cuisine.
	There is also a very good GAA team that allows you to meek expats and other exchange students during your mobility. They also host tournaments and activities for holidays like St.Patrick's day.
University Information	Accommodation - Apply for Crous/College accommodation as early as possible, I can recommend a few websites/ group chats that people have successfully secured accommodation on.
	Location - I have been on both campuses of the university so I know a bit about the location of both/ what classes are held where, how to get there ect
	Making friends- I have made friends for life while in Lyon, I highly recommend attending the college events hosted for Erasmus students, encouraging people to not be scared of talking to others in there classes and also not to be afraid of stepping out of their comfort zone, Erasmus does not last forever so make the most of it!
Academic Advice	I can provide a list of classes I took/ recommend taking. Most classes in most departments account for 5ECTS each in Lyon 2, something which I was not aware of before I started making my timetable!
Duration of Exchange	Semester 2
Students Pathway	TJH Spanish and French Joint Honours
Pathway Advice	Yes the exchange did allow me to fulfil my pathway.
Sustainability Tips	Public transport is great around the city, a transport card is only €25 a month for all modes of transport, the city is also very walkable! There ante many vintage shops, particularly in certain areas of the city!
Overall advice - Would you recommend this exchange	I would completely recommend it. As someone who only went on exchange for a semester, I can confidently say that I regret not going on a full year exchange. It is without a doubt one of the hardest things I've done but also one, if not the most rewarding things I've done. You grow and learn so much during the mobility it

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	really is worth the difficulty organising the exchange, and it makes it even easier if you have someone who has been there to help/answer any questions you have.
Overall experience	Rating (1 (low) to 5 (high))
	5
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