

學校簡介

根特大學(University of Gent)位於比利時的根特，在比利時國內和魯汶大學互相爭取排名第一的研究型大學。Campus boekentoren，距離在Overpoort附近的宿舍步行只約需5-7分鐘。在街上繼續走幾分鐘就會走到Campus Boekentoren – Rozier，這兩間學院是不互通的，所以我上課初期認不出路常常走錯。處理一些事務的Campus Ufo，和學生餐廳Resto De Brug都在這條街(Sint-Pietersnieuwstraat)上，距離宿舍走路約13分鐘。

國外研修之課程學習（課內），另外推薦受益最多/最喜歡的課程

Modern Chinese: contemporary Chinese literature

課程的主要內容以中國當代作家的作品為課程主軸，透過這些由中國作家書寫的文學作品來看中國의思想和社會面貌。平時上課的模式分為翻譯文本(小說等作品)和討論學術報告，觀賞作家演講。老師會請同學逐字句的分享自己的翻譯內容，並邀請同學發表對於翻譯不同方式的解讀。我覺得閱讀這些文本的有趣之處在於以一個台灣人的視角去更深層的觀察中國，體驗不同年代中國思想的變遷與時代的碰撞。作業的部分就是每堂課上課前準備好至少三頁的文本翻譯，或是在討論前閱讀過老師指定要讀的學術文章。期中和期末分別會有兩次上台報告和兩次的2000字書面報告。

Academic English

學術英文寫作的入門課程，學期中會有兩個小考，一個為兩人一組的小考，另一個為單人的考試；期末需繳交1000字的研究提案(proposal)，並上台做一個五分鐘的簡要報告。課程內容類似於外文系大三的學術英文，主要是帶領學生從了解基本的學術性字彙運用，句子表達的流暢度和邏輯通順，到學術引用的專業格式。英文能力基礎不錯的同学可以考慮修這門課，課程的難度不會太高，而且也可以訓練英文寫作的基本功。

國外研修之生活學習（課外）

在比利時生活的日子真的真的感到更放鬆，也感受到外國人的熱情與自在。在歐洲交換的期間也趁機去了鄰近的國家旅遊，而在去過其他國家後也更讓我感受到比利時的美好。我認為在根特交換的日子對我而言是收穫滿滿的。其實我在去歐洲之前也曾擔心會不會自己內向交不到朋友，但是到國外之後因為大家都是初來乍到的菜鳥，我與不管是宿舍的外國人或是台灣的交換生在短時間內就變得很熟絡。我們一起煮飯、聊天，彼此了解國家間的差異，一起體驗文化衝擊(在義大利人面前吃夏威夷披薩)。從一踏進歐洲的那瞬間到坐飛機離開的最後一課都持續在學習一些難以言喻的跨文化差異(例如有些歐洲人洗完頭髮不吹頭髮)。而且國外的small talk文化也讓我在面對人的時刻更自在。

最令我印象深刻的事件之一是遭遇種族歧視，某天晚上在街上我和學長騎腳踏車路過大學附近的街道，突然有個女生對我們喊 Ching Chang Chong，還帶著笑聲。當下我感到既錯愕又憤怒，卻沒有多加理會。事後想起來當時應該鼓起勇氣去跟他理論，面對這種歧視者我們並不一定要自己承擔這種惡意，種族主義不是幼稚的笑話。

交換/研修之具體效益（請條列式列舉）

培養獨立生活的技能

體驗多元文化和感受文化差異

提升國際觀、開拓視野

海外生活期間是否曾遭遇困境，及是否解決問題？如是，請說明如何解決問題；如未解決，請說明事件最大的啟發及思考未來可以怎麼解決？

心理上有時候會感覺不開心，必須找朋友陪伴

海外生活期間是否曾遭遇文化衝擊，您如何去面對及適應？

文化衝擊大部分對我來說還滿有趣的，盡量入境隨俗

海外生活歷練是否為您人生帶來不一樣的改變或者個人特質上的轉變，最大的成長是什麼？

我的眼光變得更開放了

您認為獎學金對您海外研修最大的幫助是什麼？有無獎學金是否會改變您的出國計畫？

讓我的負擔比較小

若沒有獎學金，還是會想去，但是會犧牲體驗其他的事物的機會

感言及心得感想

出了國讓我體會到自由和獨立，還有外國的開放性和包容，即使是一個簡單的小報告，外國學生也有勇氣上台說出自己獨特的認同，這也啟發我更堅定地認同自我的主體性。在國外生活的日子裡，我體會到其實我們的中華文化或台灣文化也有不遜色的獨特之美。當我在外國人的旗子上寫上中文的祝福語，他們都對中文字的複雜和巧妙嘖嘖稱奇。歐洲是富有歷史底蘊和藝術氣息的國度，來到這裡讓我得以從台灣的快步調生活得到喘息，我常常騎著腳踏車悠悠哉哉地從宿舍到市中心吃漢堡王，看看教堂，看看鐘樓和路人遛可愛的狗和帶小寶寶出門逛街。根特真的非常美，從初見面到離開，這一份感動的讚嘆從來都不會停止。

在根特大學讀書頗具挑戰性，可以感受的到老師對於學生是有相當的要求的，會給學生很多的閱讀文本、討論作業、期末口筆試，期末考的時候會有很多人開始奮戰苦讀，可以體會到平常鬧哄哄的酒吧都空下來了，所有人都在為了pass努力；因此想來根特大學進行交換的人可以來這裡磨練成長。若是想要專注在體驗國外生活的交換學生則要多衡量自己在課業上的投入程度值得讓你付出多少時間。

英文心得(包含學校簡介、課程學習、生活學習、具體效益、心得感想等等)

Studying abroad has always been my dream ever since I applied for university. Thanks to the exchange opportunities offered by my home university, NSYSU, I got selected to be one of the exchange students to study in the prestigious Gent University in Belgium, and finally got to fulfill my dream in the fourth year of my university. As an English major, I get influenced by the western cultures considerably, studying mythology, bibles, and European literatures. That is why doing the exchange program is so fascinating to me, because I get to really experience cultures I studied in the books in person. With the ecstasy and fantasy of life in Europe, I embarked on the Journey on September 18th of 2023.

Living in a foreign land was full of excitement and surprises as I had expected, but it was also really nerve-wracking when I was just a newcomer! At first, we were really afraid that we may get robbed, because we had heard about the high crime rate in Europe. But, it turned out that Gent city is far safer than we expected. We never really worried about getting robbed after the first few days. Except for the relieving safety of Gent, Gent is also a really outstanding city with its beautiful sceneries, especially the city center is where we go for food and relaxation from studies. Gent is such a lovely city. I love spending my free time riding a bike to the city center, to see the people walking their dogs, and to go grocery shopping. However, I was always shocked at how Europeans like to smoke so much!

It always takes some courage to meet new people in a new environment, but in Europe, I think I was changed by the openness and the easiness in the atmosphere. I became more relaxed, and felt more comfortable to see new people and engage in random conversations. I also got to meet some Taiwanese from different cities of Taiwan, and we ended up becoming really close friends. We traveled to Spain and Portugal together, and we enjoyed eating and cooking Taiwanese cuisines together. My connection with Taiwanese peers was really important to me, because we supported each other emotionally and brought so much fun into our lives.

During my exchange, I met so many friends from different countries, including China, Japan, Korea, Spain, Italy, Portugal, France, and so on. Meeting new people in a country far away from your home is life-changing. I got to exchange ideas and experience with these people and knew “Wow! So, that’s the difference between our cultures and our countries.” I also met a Belgian girl in Korean class, and we became best friends!

Seizing the opportunity to travel around Europe is a must do for us exchange students. I’ve traveled to 11 countries in Europe. Countries in Europe seemed similar to me, but they are different in subtle ways! I would never have been able to feel the difference if I had not been to Europe.

In conclusion, doing the exchange program in Europe has helped me grow as an individual, and confers me the chance to know, to see, and to come into contact with the western world. I’ve learned to embrace different values and experienced distinct cultures. It was also a good chance for me to sharpen my English proficiency and test myself in regard to academic challenges, and adaptability. The experience really prompts me to consider living or working overseas in the future.