

# **STUDENT EXPERIENCE REPORT**

University of Stavanger (Norway)  
Spring 2017

## **1. Preparation (planning, organisation, and application at the host institution)**

As an EMMIR student I already knew that my second semester will be in Stavanger, Norway, so everything was already planned according to the master's mobility path. The EMMIR team was really helpful to guide me fill all the documents and procedures to be able to study in Stavanger.

## **2. Travel and arrival**

After leaving my room at the dorm in Oldenburg, I travelled via Hamburg to Stavanger. The travelling and arrival was easy. The first day at the campus we had a good guided tour around the facilities and we could register easily. The EMMIR program is coordinated by Mona Østerhus in Stavanger, she was very welcoming and helpful with all the arrangements, as well as the academic staff. It was nice to have a previous meeting with all the professors and researchers that we will get to know during the semester.

## **3. Accommodation**

Accommodation is probably the most challenging part in Stavanger. I applied to live in one of the university dormitories back in November, but they assigned me a room in a dorm that is very far from the campus, in Sola. The prices for student accommodation are too high at the University of Stavanger and they do not even give us information about the size of the room or any pictures. I found a room by myself through internet websites that was nicer, cheaper and better located.

## **4. Studying at the host university (courses, academic performance/credits, support, credit transfer)**

The University of Stavanger is a great place to study. The facilities are very nice and student-friendly, both the student rooms or the cafeterias are nice, and the university has

many events going on. I specially liked the library to study and the online resources are great. I found a lot of academic articles that are interesting for my research.

## **5. Everyday life and leisure time**

The University of Stavanger is very lively, there are a lot of activities going on during the semester. It is full of international students that are very active and I took part in a lot of events, as well as different volunteering activities with student organizations. Unfortunately, I could not share much time with Norwegian students, they were not involved in most of these events and I had the feeling that the student life was mainly run by internationals.