

Internship report

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AWESOME was the first word that I said when I first landed in Germany. It was not just for the fact that I was seeing snowfall for the first time in my life or the breathtaking view of the airport in the night but also as it was the first time that I realized it was for actual that I would be doing my internship in manroland, a dream of all the printing students was coming true for me. Thus, was the beginning of my journey in Germany on a happy note.

A lot of excitement and some apprehension marked the initial days of my stay here. It wasn't a long time before I realize that I will not just survive but I will enjoy my stay here for 4 1/2 months as every person we met did not welcomed us, but they did their best to make us comfortable and to help us in any possible manner. Despite the language barrier, I could not help myself admiring the people who give time to figure out what we were trying to ask be it simply way to some place or understanding something. It was this feeling that made me comfortable in the foreign land.

And then as my internship began at manroland AG , Augsburg I felt lucky to work under the guidance of highly professional and knowledgeable people who I could feel loved what they did. It was the time for me to learn as much as I can from the experts and take full advantage of the opportunity that came my way. Also it was the time to meet and interact with other interns who made sure that I never feel outsider as all of them were from different parts of Germany. But by the time we bonded good enough, due to different semester duration most of them finished their term at the company and it was time for me to meet new interns again. And it was again like a new beginning.

And with the language course it was another good experience as that was when I felt that there were many more like me who were struggling to learn the language. This was the time when I hoped to go back to the company and interact with people there in German language itself. But, it wasn't what I thought it would be as it was not just difficult to learn the language but it was for a short time to do so. But nevertheless, it did made me confident that with whatever I learnt I could go around and be sure of finding my way back.

Apart from this, for a person like me who is fond of travelling, but has never been out of India, this time was a lifetime opportunity to literally see the world. And I am happy that I made the best out of this. Seeing places in Germany and other neighbouring countries,

not only did it made me learn a lot about different cultures but it made me grow as an individual. India and Germany have a totally different culture but what surprised me and at the same time made me feel proud was the fact that everyone I met, knew before I could tell that I was from INDIA and that they could know about it as much as they were telling me about Germany. And it felt nice to be a part of good exchange of culture.

I think that I have been lucky to have a stay that was as comfortable as it could be. I am thankful to everyone at the Chemnitz University and manroland AG for not just the opportunity but also for making sure that my stay was a comfortable one. Though I think that if anyone wants to be here, it is really helpful to know the language and I wish that I knew the language but nevertheless because of the people here, I did not only managed but managed it real well in here.