



Reza Golbon, 24, Iran

Reza Golbon from Iran reports on about how he values studying in Baden-Württemberg

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Reza, 24, is a truly international personality. Born in Esfahan, Iran, he did his B.Sc. in IUT (Esfahan University of Technology) and an IASTE internship in Germany in the last summer of his undergraduate studies. Following his return home, he began the master program Environmental Design at Tehran University where he was selected as the 3rd best student in the National Entrance Exam. To complement his qualifications, Reza then decided to continue his studies abroad.

Now a year on, sitting on a bench outside the Hohenheim canteen in the midst of a crowd of German and international students, he says he misses home less here than he did when he was in Tehran.

Reza is completely content and feels lucky to have the opportunity of studying in Hohenheim. He enjoys the atmosphere around the castle, and the openness of the internationally-oriented staff and students. In particular, he likes what he is learning here. He tells us that he used the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) website to search for German universities and study programs and he especially liked the master program Organic Food Chain Management at the University of Hohenheim. The curriculum for 'Organic Food Chain Management' was particularly tempting, he comments. The question of his future career, whether he will work in industry, for a political institution, at an academic institution or international organization, is still up for discussion but to him all of these options seem feasible.

Reza was also in charge for welcoming the 'newcomers' at the beginning of the new semester just as other students did for him the semester before. In this way, we were able to guide the students who had just arrived through the campus, show them around help them to adapt to the new conditions quickly.

In his leisure time, he has enjoyed visiting the Swabian Alb. At the welcome weekend in Bad Boll, organised by the university, he made friends quickly with other German and international students. "Now we cook together on the weekends and have a lot of fun. Those offerings help very much to feel comfortable as a stranger in Baden-Württemberg," he tells us happily.

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