

## RELAZIONE SU MOBILITA'

SEDE: Universidad Externado de Colombia

### Qualità dell'Università e dei corsi di studio seguiti:

Qualità alta, professori pluri accreditati, orario delle lezioni molto presto al mattino, in modo da avere il tempo per studiare e vivere il resto della giornata in tranquillità. Corsi eccellenti, chiari e con ampi programmi. Un po' carente sia nelle tempistiche, che per ripetitività degli argomenti durante il semestre la lezione di lingua spagnola.

### Organizzazione degli uffici e disponibilità dei docenti:

Docenti e vice-preside disponibilissimi, mai avuta un'accoglienza così calorosa e rispettosa. Facilità nella compilazione e nelle pratiche di iscrizione ai corsi e al carnet studentesco. Assistenza continua e cordiale al momento dell'arrivo e lungo tutta la permanenza. Docenti disposti all'aiuto per la stesura della tesi e a interviste. Università sopraffina, con spazi comuni, sia per lo studio che per il tempo libero. Idea di università per imparare qualcosa, anche a vivere in comunità durante la vita quotidiana.

### Servizi a disposizione degli studenti:

Servizi ottimi a disposizione continua e gratuita: palestra, area svago, area computer con tutti i software possibili per materie anche di un certo livello, mensa di qualità, gite fuoriporta per conoscere il paese, continui feedback dei professori

### Esperienza in generale (città, accomodation, prezzi, servizi, cibo, etc.):s

Bogotá è stato il luogo perfetto per me, tanto che auspico una vita da quelle parti. Sicuramente ancora pericolosa se non si è una persona abituata a viaggiare e quindi a capire luoghi e persone, ma che offre relazioni umane uniche, volte alla cooperazione e all'amore vero e disinteressato. Prezzi per un europeo che permettono di svolgere una vita tranquilla e piena di confort. Essendo una città con alta disuguaglianza di salario, si hanno anche luoghi molto costosi, come luoghi in cui pranzare di qualità per soli 3€. Cibo speciale, autoctono, e naturale, non speziato, molto semplice, specialmente zuppe, pesce semplice, qualsiasi tipo di carne, e dolci ovunque. La vita quotidiana inizia alle 6, proprio perché si deve avere il tempo libero per stare insieme e vivere un pomeriggio di vita cittadina tra le strade che sono sempre piene di gente e caffetterie, per trascorrere momenti di chiacchiera insieme.

**RELAZIONE SU MOBILITÀ EXTRA UE**  
*REPORT ON MOBILITY EXTRA UE*

: MASTER IN: Economics and Development

PARTNER UNIVERSITY: Universidad Externado de Colombia – Facultad de Economía

**Qualità dell'Università e dei corsi di studio seguiti**

*Quality of the University and the courses of study followed*

The quality of the University and the courses of study followed is very high. In Colombia most of the University are private, the teachers are exigent, and the students are motivated.

The teaching method is very different, with a lot of deadlines, team works and presentations, but everything is applied with exercises and you don't need to study a lot of theory.

Attending classes is very interesting and the students are generally open and friendly.

**Organizzazione degli uffici e disponibilità dei docenti**

*Organization of offices and availability of teachers*

Most of the teachers are available, it's very easy asking for questions by person, email or whatsapp.

Also, the offices are kind and available for every type of questions. The organization and the bureaucracy isn't so easy and efficient, especially for every kind of problem about international students. In the first weeks, informatic problems in the system may create some difficulties and don't let you work efficiently, but the offices are available for solving it.

**Servizi a disposizione degli studenti**

*Services available to students*

The University offers a lot of activities for students (you must apply in the first week of the semester): sports, culture, dance, arts, political discussions.

More than that, the enrolled students can benefit to the sanitary assurance for free, especially general practitioner, dentist, and a psychologist.

The University offers a lot of events, discussions, topics, and presentations organized by teachers, experts or students. I watched the Presidential Debate hosted in Universidad Externado and it was one of the best electoral debate organized in Colombia for the electoral campaign.

In addition, the University offers the possibility to enjoy Voluntary activities in organization or association operating in social themes and problems. It's a very interesting experience, where we can learn a lot of things, grow up, and realizing what really mean, for example, living in poverty. In relation at the time you spend on it, it's possible to convert it in free credit for University of Florence.

**Esperienza in generale (città, accomodation, prezzi, servizi, cibo, etc.)**

*General experience (city, accommodation, prices, services, food, etc.)*

Bogotá is very big and there are a lot of activity, many district are nice and easily reached by bus, taxi or Uber. The University hosted many cultural, and sports activities and services.

You can find many accommodations in different part of the city. The residence for students are the most expensive (350 € more or less) but are in center, close to the universities, and generally the gym is included in the Price. I lived in *Livinnx18* residence.

The cost of the life is very cheap compared to Europe, you can easily lunch in a restaurant with 2.50 €; the food is good but easy prepared; you can find every product you need (imported products are more expensive).

It's possible to organize trips in the other regions of Colombia (it's recommended to go with Colombian friends), the landscapes are really beautiful, and you can enjoy a lot of different customs, people and situation.

The life is very different compared to the First World, it's important to adjust some customs, hours of activities. Every way for reaching Universities is safety, and strongly protected by private guards.

The major part of the population is poor, the most important thing is going out in group, especially during the night, and taking care about theft (also during the day). After the dinner it's generally dangerous and some part of the city it's strictly forbidden the access for everyone.

**Consigliaresti questa esperienza ad altri studenti? Si/No, perché?**

*Would you recommend this experience to other students? Yes / No, why?*

Yes, of course! Bogotá is very big and there are a lot of activity; the University has a lot of cultural, and sports activities and services. The people are nice and friendly, you can easily find friends. Their culture is really nice, the enjoy a lot the music, discos, bars and dancing. Bogotá has the biggest disco in Latina America but if you prefer other type of activities the city has a lot of parks, museums, and events.

The University is very good, we can learn a different method of studying and applied notions.

This internship is one of the best experience in the life, and Colombia let you possible enjoying Latin America, the music and the dance, together at cultural event, extreme sports, parks and beautiful trips.