

Wiktor

Medicine, after V year, academic year 2023/2024



Medizinische Universität Wien, Szpital AKH Wien, Austria

In which institution did the internship/traineeship take place?



W: The traineeship took place at the AKH clinical hospital in Vienna on behalf of the Medizinische Universität Wien.

Did the internship take place as part of the obligatory internship during studies, additionally in order to gain experience, or was it a graduate internship in which part of the obligatory post-study internship was carried out?



W: This was an additional traineeship beyond the compulsory material at university. The first part in the dermatology department and the second part in the ENT department.

If this was part of a compulsory internship, what was the procedure for recognition by the Ministry?

W: N/A



The language level that you need to have to cope with everyday tasks, contact with the patient, etc.?

W: Contact with the patient was in German 95% of the time. In order to understand the patient well, I even recommend level B2, as the Austrian dialect was quite different from the Hochdeutsch I know. In the outpatient clinic, there were foreign patients with whom conversation took place in English. The medical staff was 90% able to speak English fluently, so they translated incomprehensible passages, especially in the outpatient clinic. With the nursing staff, things varied.



General impressions about the Host Institution, the organization of internships, what was the issue of food, did the facility have a canteen?

W: The traineeship was great. Plenty of opportunities to choose outpatient clinics, which are far more numerous than in the Polish system. Even within one ward there are about 6-10 of them operating at the same time every day. The opportunity to participate in and assist in surgical procedures. The staff were very positive about the students.

IMPORTANT:

- the university recruited me for a semester and I received an ID Student Card = much cheaper public transport within Vienna

The card, once accepted by the ÖH (student organisation), gave me access to the hospital canteen. Several 3/4 main courses to choose from (meat/vege/cold/warm) + dessert or soup for between €2.50 and €3.80. This is a price for which it was impossible to have a meal in town. The dishes were very good, balanced and not monotonous.

- It is not necessary to have a scrubs and you are not even allowed to carry your own. As a deposit of € 25 you get an apron and 2 sets of trousers + shirts. These are handed in for washing every day and you pick up new ones. Surgical wards also have colour-coded scrubs depending on where you work.



Important information, contacts that will help in the implementation of mobility?

W: <https://www.meduniwien.ac.at/chirurgie-lehre/famulatur.php>

Here is a page where you can check the availability of traineeships in all 7 departments in a surgical hospital. There are also deadlines there for recruiting for a place at the university, which runs before Erasmus recruitment. You need to keep a close eye on these, as I, through one day's delay, had to postpone ENT from July to September.

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This is the email address of the Doctor from the ENT secretariat and coordinator of all surgical ward practices. We arrange the documents with him.



Attractions in the area worth seeing?

W: *The hospital is located on U-Bahn line 6, so there are no traditional Viennese attractions in this immediate vicinity. The city is fantastically well-connected. I won't duplicate recommendations from dozens of travel guides, but there is one thing I must mention: the Kunstschatzi - a monthly event at the art history museum. □
I will never forget this museum experience and to any student who will spend part of their life in Vienna, I highly recommend it!*



Advantages of going on an internship under the Erasmus+ Program?

W: *Development of language skills, dozens of new friendships, great memories. I plan to go this year too! 😊*

