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Tampere University of Technology (TUT) conducts research in the fields of technology and architecture and provides higher education based on this research. TUT is located in Tampere, the Nordic countries’ largest inland city, some 170 km north of the capital Helsinki. TUT’s campus in the suburb of Hervanta is a community of 8,300 undergraduate and postgraduate students and 1,700 employees. Internationality is an inherent part of all the University’s activities. Around 1,700 foreign nationals from more than 60 countries work or pursue studies at TUT.
Tampere, Finland

- Third largest city in Finland – largest inland centre in the Nordic countries
- 232,000 inhabitants and close to 500,000 in Tampere region
- Tampere’s city centre is surrounded by lake and ridge scenery
- Parks and green areas are amount to 100 sqm per inhabitant
Tasks during the internship

Working on my master thesis:
The Role of Public Administration in Support of Electric Vehicles within Mobility-as-a-Service Model

• Identify the most important actors in a successful MaaS concept
• How can all actors, who are participating in a MaaS model, benefit from it
• What can public administration do to support Maas

- Preparing a scientific interview
- Contacting participants for interviews
- Execute interviews with experts in their field
- Learning how public administration can support to implement a new technology
Kultur

Positiv:
- Very nice and helpful people
- Fast internet everywhere
- Nice little coffee places
- Ice skating places everywhere and for free

Negative:
- Coldness
- Short days (5-6 hours from sunrise until dawn)
- Sun was sometimes not visible for 1-2 weeks
Be aware of low temperatures
Prepare for short days
Product descriptions just in finish
try to do everyday something outside so you are not stuck inside
Use the ESN INTO Club (Erasmus Club)
Socialise as fast as possible
Try to attend a class, otherwise it's hard to socialise

You are not a student in Finland as an intern
→ food is more expensive (for one meal 2€ more than students)
→ trains and public transportation is more expensive
→ all in all try to go as student and not as intern to Finland or get paid
• Scandinavian countries and Finland should be visited in summer

• Language barrier is high, because a lot of people just speak Finish

• People are very friendly

• Sauna culture is amazing

• Cheap public transport