



RETOUR D'EXPÉRIENCE

Cracovie, Pologne



UNIVERSITÉ DE
MONTPELLIER

MONTELLIER
MA **NAGEMENT**



Krakow was an amazing experience, I can say it is a very underrated city, Poland is an amazing country, very cheap compared to many other European countries but very much developed. A lot of advantages as a student. But the language barrier was the only thing that made it a little complicated, I expected almost all polish residents to speak good English but most of them barely spoke or sometimes not at all.

I would definitely go back to this university if I could go back in time since it is one of the biggest universities in Poland and I had an amazing experience learning there.



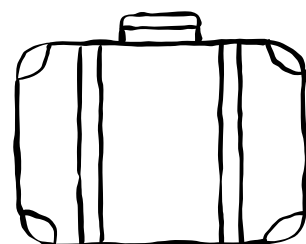
Practical informations

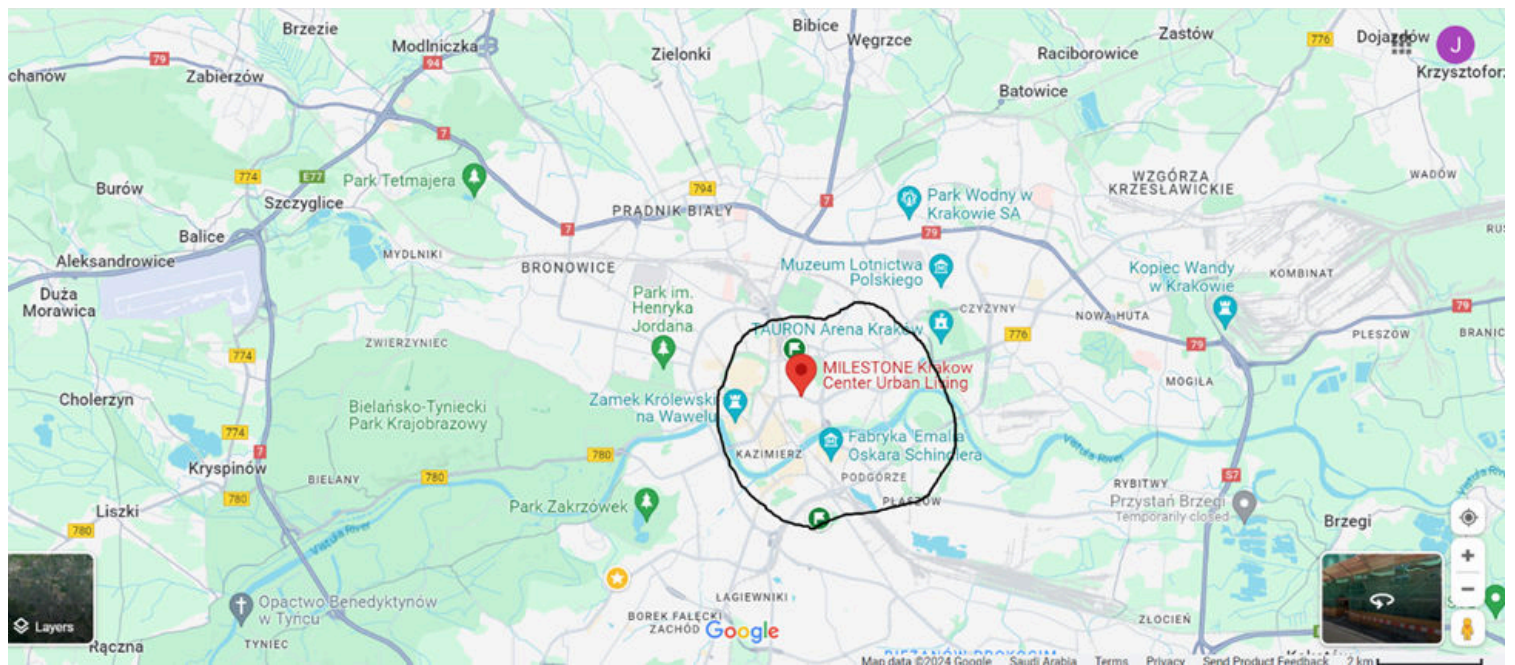
I did not need a visa since I am allowed to stay for a maximum amount of 3 months if I do not leave the country, but since I knew I was going to do a lot of traveling the visa application was not necessary because every time you leave the country, the 3 months of maximum stay resets.



I travelled to Krakow using Ryanair from Toulouse, Marseille was also an option but it depends on the price of course. I was a bit late to get the tickets because I was renewing my passports and wanted to make sure all my documents were fine before booking, and finally booked 1-2 weeks from departure and I arrived 2 days before my classes start.

Regarding the luggage I recommend to not over pack I got more stuff than I needed, especially for winter clothes which I used for just one month before it got hot. Depending on when the semester starts its better to get less stuff so its easier when you leave if you are going to get stuff from the receiving country. One puffer jacket was enough and mostly useful for me.

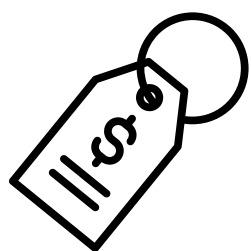




I recommend the Milestone student dorm because it has a lot of advantages all included, and most of the residents are Erasmus students so it is much easier to blend in with everyone from the start. And it has a really good location with a tram stop 5min away and near the center.

I wouldn't recommend the university dorms personally because I found it complicated since you live in the same room with someone you don't know with beds opposite to each other and he could not be an Erasmus, share the same bathroom, a common kitchen in the hallway and washing machine with no driers.

I personally didn't like it but it could be good because of the low price at 100 euros per month.



The university dorms were very cheap (100 euros) per month, but for milestone it was about **470 euros** for single bedroom or **370 euros** for double bedroom with a roommate but there are also some extra costs for the first payment like cleaning fees etc... which is about 100 euros.

Courses selection

Risk, money and decision making



Learnt a lot from this course, it talks about how to take decisions in life, regarding jobs, or any type of dilemma, different type of ways of thinking. Very interesting course with a really charismatic teacher which made the course even more interesting. I would recommend it to another student. Nothing wrong to say about this course.

Semiotics of advertising



Nice class the teacher has a nice way of explaining. It is a way of understanding advertisements through signs, so we look deep in the thinking of how these ads were created. In the exam we had to choose an ad and explain how they used signs to attract customers and it made me understand a lot on how marketing teams worked.

Cross cultural communication



The teacher comes from the United States with a really good English. The class was about how companies are able to succeed after opening branches abroad and different strategies to follow. Very nice course the teacher made sure we were always keeping up with the course which was helpful for the exam. Homeworks and tests almost every 2 weeks.

An introduction to visual culture studies



If I could go back in time I would probably change this course because the teacher didn't speak good English and was reading the entire course from her papers without stopping or just make us watch a video for 15min every time. It was about historic topics and analysis of visual arts of the history or big moments like the covid for example. I would not recommend it to another student.

Human resource management

Not my favorite course, I had to choose it because it was the best among others, but it is basic human resource studies which we had already seen at MOMA wasn't very complicated. Liked the way of explaining of the teacher helps understand better the course using kahoots and communication

Poland

TO DO LIST

- ☐ Follow Erasmus Student Network Krakow on social media
- ☐ Join student dorms WhatsApp groups to know all the events happening in the city
- ☐ Try the zapiekanki and the pierogi if you want to taste the Polish street food
- ☐ Plan many travels and visit : Czech or Vienna
- ☐ Be open to meet new people and make the most of your experience !

