

## James Cook University Singapore

Quotes of Faculty of Sports and Nutrition students who followed their minor here in 2019.

### Impression after the first few weeks

Singapore is something completely different compared to Europe. It gives you the opportunity to meet people from all over Asia and it is the ideal place to explore Asia. Furthermore, Singapore is extremely safe and a modern city with a high living standard which makes it an easy city to live in. In the city and at the university everybody speaks English.

### General expression

Singapore is an expensive country to live in. However your study abroad period is shorter compared to other universities. You will receive the credits for one semester in the Netherlands (5 to 6 months). At JCU it takes only 4 months. This gives you extra time to earn money before you leave and you only have to pay rent for the 4 months you are in Singapore. You can use the rest of the months to travel around Asia. Furthermore the public transport is well organized and really cheap.

### Level of education and the courses

If you want to study in Asia, Singapore is the place to be. It has a great education system compared to other countries in Asia and it is the ideal spot to explore other countries.

### Housing (in private sector or organized via the university)

The university doesn't have a campus, they do offer support for arranging an accommodation. This student arranged the accommodation through Facebook and paid 600 euro on a monthly basis.

### Cultural differences

#### Tips for future students

Especially in the first weeks of school – you can travel around. After the first weeks you will have more assignments – which makes it harder to plan any trips. During my study abroad period I also played in a Dutch expat football team. If you think this is something for you, you can always ask me for the contact details (you're also welcome if you're not Dutch).

#### Short statement about the university

The university is about the same size as the faculty sports and nutrition. You have a lot of group assignments in which you have to work with people from all over the world, mostly Europe and Asia. Also, not all the subjects have a final exam. The subjects are overall as difficult/easy as at the HvA, only the amount of feedback you get is very minimal.

One thing you have to know is the required campus and class attendance. Both have to be at least 90%. You tap in with your finger when you enter the campus and when you leave the campus (there has to be at least three hours in between). For the lectures you only have to tap in. When you don't have any classes, you still have to get your campus attendance (except during the weekend). I didn't had any trouble with this. The study period is quite short and the work load stays the same, so there is enough to do when you have to be at the campus for three hours.

#### **Do you want more information?**

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