

*what is your name*

Robin

*What do you study?*

I am majoring in Anthropology and minoring in French.

*Where and when did you go in France?*

I studied abroad from September to December of 2014.

*How was your exchange?*

My time abroad was great! I grew a lot as a person. I learned a lot about France and myself by being involved in new experiences and immersing myself in another culture. I met a lot of really interesting people from all over the world.

*What was the hardest thing for you?*

I think the hardest thing for me was feeling out of place and not knowing how to navigate the culture at the beginning of my stay and missing my family and friends. For me it was surprising how different it felt living in a country where my first language is not the primary language.

*What was the greatest thing for you?*

At the end of the exchange it was great that I started feeling confident in my abilities to navigate the culture. I felt that I did belong after all and when I got back home I missed hearing French all the time.

*Would you recommend your experience to other students?*

I absolutely would recommend this experience to others. From this experience I learned that there is so much more in the world to explore and that this was just the start of my journey.