Our Erasmus+ Experience at the University of Zagreb

We are Eva Nović and Nina Smolič, two students from Slovenia, currently studying at the Faculty of Organizational Sciences, University of Maribor. As part of our academic journey, we had the opportunity to spend three months in Zagreb, Croatia, completing an Erasmus+internship at the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, specifically in the International Relations Office.

Choosing Zagreb for our Erasmus+ mobility felt natural — it's close to home, but culturally different enough to feel like an exciting new adventure. What began as a professional opportunity quickly turned into an unforgettable life experience.

During our time in the International Office, we were involved in a wide range of activities — from organizing orientation events for incoming students, helping with administrative tasks, and preparing promotional materials, to assisting with the celebration of the Faculty's 150th anniversary.



Exhibition Vilnius Castle



Awarding ceremony on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the faculty



Lecture on the history of Belgian comic

We were lucky to have Tamara and Ivana as our mentors — their support from day one, combined with their warmth and guidance, helped us feel comfortable and confident throughout our internship.

Through this internship, we not only developed practical skills — such as communication, event organization, and data handling — but also grew more independent, adaptable, and confident. We were able to work in English and Croatian, which strengthened our language abilities and opened up even more opportunities for connection.

Zagreb quickly became a city we loved. Whether we were wandering its historic streets or grabbing coffee in one of its many cozy cafés, we felt truly at home. The public transport was easy to navigate, making it simple to explore the city and beyond.



Jarun Lake

Our Erasmus+ experience was more than just an internship. It was a chance to step out of our comfort zone, to see how international cooperation works in practice, and to create memories we will cherish for a lifetime.

To anyone considering an Erasmus internship in Zagreb: go for it! The city, the people, and the experience will surprise you — in all the best ways.

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