### HOW TO GET AWAY WITH A DOUBLE DEGREE IN LYON

Start looking for an accommodation **NOW!** Searching for an accommodation in Lyon in September, when you have already started your classes, is **HARD** (trust me, I was homeless until September 29<sup>th</sup>!).



#### HOW?

Facebook groups + Websites: <a href="https://www.arous-lyon.fr/">https://www.arous-lyon.fr/</a>, <a href="https://



Be aware that the university is **HUGE** and you will get lost at least once! The Uni has a **Gym** inside and you can get a **yearly** subscription for: 36€!

There is a canteen and a few nice places to eat nearby.

Be ready to attend 12 courses! Attendance is compulsory – you can miss 3 classes max (unless you have a medical certificate). Be ready not to have an always efficiently planned timetable (we had classes on Saturdays.. and some free time in the week).

The 1<sup>st</sup> semester is divided in **3 sub-periods**:

1°(September-October) → 3 planned courses + 2 courses that you choose



2°(November-December) → 4 planned courses + 1 course that you choose

3° (1 week in early January) → 2 seminars, 3 days each, held by international professors. You select your top 5 choices over a looong list for each slot and they grant you a place in one of them. (I really liked the international week!!)

The 2<sup>nd</sup> semester is dedicated to the internship:

You can do it wherever you want in the world. Keep in mind that to validate it you have to **first** go for the French procedures, **and secondly** for the Italian ones. Ex: Lyon admits internship from 2 to 6 months, but you need to meet also Pavia requirements in terms of duration!

For the Master thesis you need to follow French requirements! Once you find the internship you choose a topic which is linked to the internship and you select one French supervisor! The thesis defense must occur before the end of September!

If you choose Lyon, you choose a VIBRANT city! Big, but not that big! International and tied to traditions at the same time. The city is a great plus! It is considered the capital of gastronomy in France and it is only 2h by train from Paris!



You can easily move by bike (bike sharing for students costs only 16€ for one year); by metro (there exist some reductions for students as well), by uber (although it is not always convenient).

N.B. Do not miss La Fête des Lumières (in December)!

# HOW DID I GET AWAY WITH MY DOUBLE DEGREE IN LYON?

Friendship with my Italian travel mates +

Many many group projects +

Solidarity with my classmates – we are all on the same boat +

"French people is not as bad as you think" approach +

Some weekend getaways in France and Italy =

#### **EXTRAORDINARY EXPERIENCE**

## P.s. Don't be shy! AND CHOOSE LYON!

For any questions you might have there's only one thing you have to do: type +393395046557 and ask me!

Or, if you want to stay professional, do not hesitate to contact me at natalia.bonvicini@gmail.com

## **GOOD LUCK**

