## American University in Washington, DC in autumn 2014 – Tina Krizman



My exchange experience at American University in Washington DC, was intense and enriching. It was of great value for me to be able to try out the North American approach to higher education. It is in many ways different from the European model - active student participation in classes represents an important part of the final grade. I attended classes with Global Environmental Politics programme of the School of International Service, which was a great way to expand my horizons and get different perspectives on environmental issues on an international level, adding value to my MIES at NMBU.

I would recommend American University for its high quality and competitive environment, great campus and student services, friendly and accessible professors and good opportunities for networking which might prove helpful for the students` career upon graduation. The university`s programmes are interesting, relevant, challenging and motivating at the same time.

Apart from that, Washington DC is a great place to study. The city is not too big, very green, relatively safe, with mild climate. It has lots of chances to socialise, experience the historical monuments, museums and great architecture. On top of that, it is also very close to NYC and other nice weekend destinations in case students have some free time to explore the States. The downside of DC are high rents, but the food as well as clothes are much more affordable than in Norway.

I highly recommend American University to NMBU students and am grateful for this opportunity which was given to me.









































