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Dear Sir or Madam, My name is Jiří Nový and I am a graduated student of the Bachelor programme in International Relations at Masaryk’s University in Brno, Czech Republic. (2 errors)

I write this because I would like to have the opportunity to spend the fall semester of this year at the prestigious Copenhagen Business School by taking part at the Erasmus Programme as a international exchange student. (3 errors)

I have decided to apply for Copenhagen Business School because the prestige of the university, my personal interest in the excellent courses offering by you and their relevance to my educational path, as I am currently studying economy. (3 errors)
STUDENTS’ EXPERIENCE WITH THE ERASMUS PROGRAMME

Look at the British Council site for an Erasmus student testimonial from an English student visiting the Czech Republic at:


HOMEWORK: Find another summary of a student who spent a year on Erasmus in the country where you would also like to go. Compare your expectations and their experience and be prepared to lead a short (3-4 minute) discussion in class.
COMPARING DIFFERENT CULTURES

Prepare a short comparison and contrast of two cultures you are familiar with.

Follow the stages below.

(A) Decide on the two cultures, including how specific they are (e.g. Latin / South American / Spanish).

(B) Decide on two particular aspects (e.g. behaviour, socializing).

(C) Make notes on the main ideas, including specific examples to illustrate them.
Read the advert below, then send an email expressing your interest. You may also want to ask some additional questions.

**Address**
Francis Marion University  
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Flat-style college accommodation available for postgrad and undergrad students. Individual rooms are arranged as 8, 7, 6 or 4 bedroom fully furnished. College members have their own lockable bedrooms and share a kitchen, dining and lounge room and bathrooms facilities with their flatmates.

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Self-catered single rooms from 400 euro/ per week (8 bedroom flat)  
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LISTENING - AT THE LIBRARY

Listen to the recording, then answer the questions below.

1. Where would you go to check out books?
2. Where is the most likely place to find a book on learning to speak French?
3. Where would you find a January 1996 issue of Time Magazine?
4. How much would you have to pay in late fees if you had a book that was 45 days overdue?
5. When does the library close on Friday nights?

Discuss these issues in pairs/small groups.

More and more students are using the Internet for conducting research verses going to the library.

a. What are the advantages of both?
b. How can you verify the accuracy of information on the Internet?
c. What two things could be added to your own school library to make it more accessible (useful) for international students?

(Following http://www.esl-lab.com/library/librd1.htm)
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