

I'm an exchange student from Italy, I have been in Denmark for four months and now this experience is ending.

This experience was great and it was really helpful to grow up and to become autonomous. I've found the school very different from the Italian one, but I think that the school system here is great. You have a lot of things that Italians need to learn to improve their services and make the students feel more comfortable and less stressed out.

You can work with the computer and this is fantastic because you don't have to bring a lot of different books every day, so you can have almost everything inside the laptop and I think this is a smart way to work. Here you also have a lot of breaks during the day between the lessons, and I think this is good for the students because they can relax during these breaks and be ready for the lesson after, but I also think that the breaks should be shorter to make the school day finishing earlier. In the school there are also some spaces with sofas and tables where you can study, eat some food or relax. I really like it because in Italy we only have classes and the gym and the only welcoming place is the coffee machine.

Anyway, it was very hard for me to follow the lessons because I don't speak the Danish language at all, so maybe I didn't learn some of the things that they taught me because of the language barrier. The language is very complicated above all for the pronunciation, but almost everyone here speaks English so it was very simple to communicate and I didn't find any problem. This helped me a lot to improve my English. That was one of the main reasons that led me to come here.

The relationship between students and teachers is very friendly and I think that this helps the students a lot to be less stressed.

I've found a really good class with nice people so I could hang out with them out of the school and understand their culture better.

Here the social life is really different from Italy, here people only hang out on the weekend because during the week they always have practice or they work after the school.

I experienced a lot of Danish things like food and traditions that we don't have in Italy. Here the society pushes a lot more teenagers to be independent, like finding a job or other responsibilities like pushing them to live alone and to learn and it's where they learn how to live. Italian families try to keep their children with them and treat them like babies.

In general in everyday life they use the bikes a lot instead of driving the car, and in Italy we only use the car to go everywhere even if it's close.

It was very nice to live in a big city that is different from what I'm used to because you have a lot more services close to you and there are a lot of cool different places to go.

What I don't like about Denmark is the weather because it is always cold and dark and this doesn't help if you feel alone and far from the family.

But in the end I'm very happy with this experience even if I had some doubts in the beginning but then I've realized that it is not something that happens every day and I suggest it to all the people of my age.