

JIC x JMIBA present:

# Exchange Experiences Workshop

#beinternational

# WHO IS JIC?

The John Molson International Committee (JIC) is a group of students who promote Concordia's Student Exchange Program through their passion for adventure by welcoming students from all over the world completing their degrees at JMSB.

JIC focuses on encouraging and inspiring JMSB students to study abroad. The John Molson International Committee caters to students from overseas by showing them what Montreal has to offer in order to make their experience as memorable as possible.



# WHO IS JMIBA?

We are the John Molson International Business Association. We represent all students who are majoring and minoring in international business.

Our mission is to improve the quality of the student's academic careers in international business through a range of networking and philanthropic events throughout the academic year. We do this by organizing numerous activities such as conferences, networking cocktails, case competitions, recruitment sessions, and a yearly business trip abroad.



# JULIANE DO

DESTINATION: HONG KONG (2019)

SUPPLY CHAIN MAJOR, 4TH YEAR

STUDY SEMESTER ABROAD AT  
**THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG**











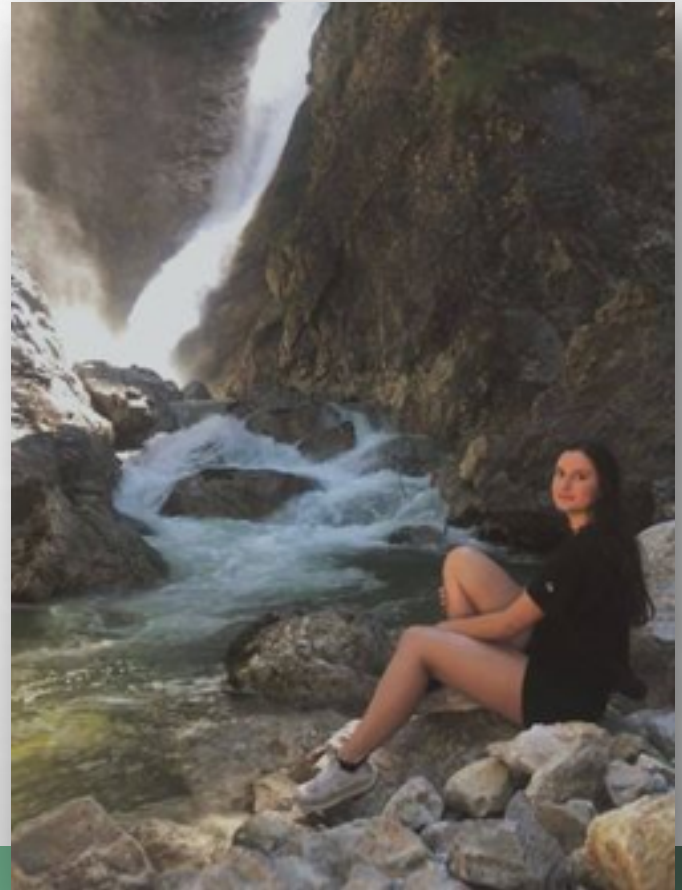


# ALSSYA SMITH

DESTINATION: FRANKFURT, GERMANY (2020)

MAJOR FINANCE, MINOR ACCOUNTING, 3RD  
YEAR

STUDY SEMESTER ABROAD AT  
**THE FRANKFURT SCHOOL OF FINANCE AND  
MANAGEMENT**



# WHY GERMANY?

- \* Previously did an exchange to Germany with Dawson College
- \* Took German classes
- \* Frankfurt is a unique, central city and the financial capital of Germany
- \* Highly accredited university





# ADVICE AND TIPS



- \* Say YES to new opportunities and make the most of every opportunity you get
- \* Challenge yourself and get out of your comfort zone!





# GOING ABROAD DURING COVID-19



# KYRA D'IGNAZIO

DESTINATION: LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM  
(2019)

MARKETING MAJOR, 4TH YEAR

SUMMER SEMESTER INTERNSHIP AT  
**ALMOND**



# WHY LONDON?

## ROYAL HOLLOWAY, UNIVERSITY OF LONDON





# ABOUT ME

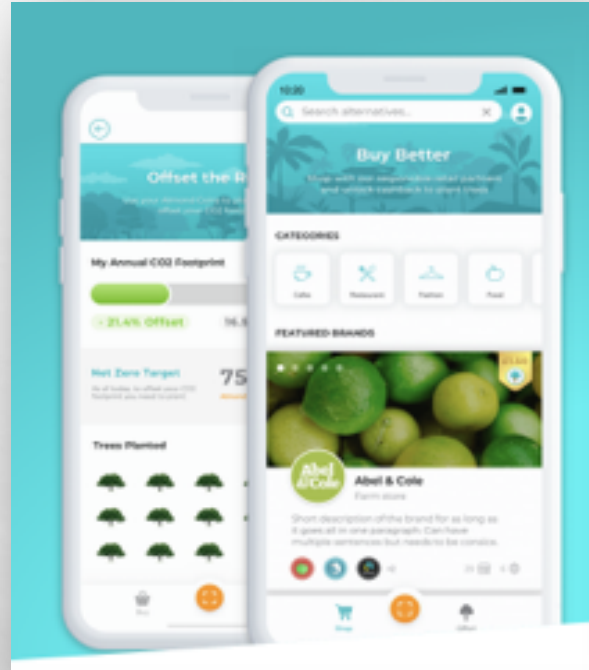


# ABOUT ME



# ALMOND

- \* Marketing internship in the Technology Industry
- \* Carbon neutral lifestyle App
- \* Start-up



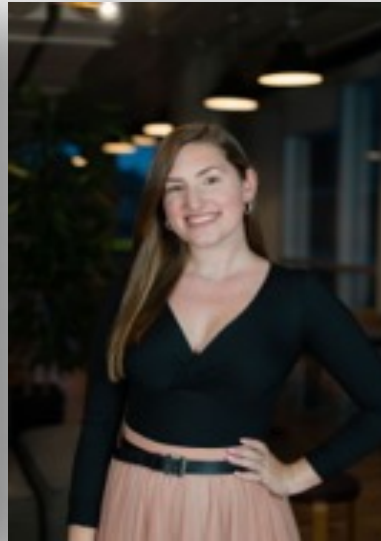
## Empowering you to Reach a Carbon Balanced Lifestyle

Almond is a free app that empowers you to become carbon balanced by helping you to 'Buy Better, Act Better and Offset the Rest'.





# ALEXANDRA FILLION



DESTINATION: KUFSTEIN,  
AUSTRIA

MAJOR MARKETING  
STUDY SEMESTER ABROAD  
AT  
**FH KUFSTEIN TIROL**

Why Kufstein?



# Kufstein video

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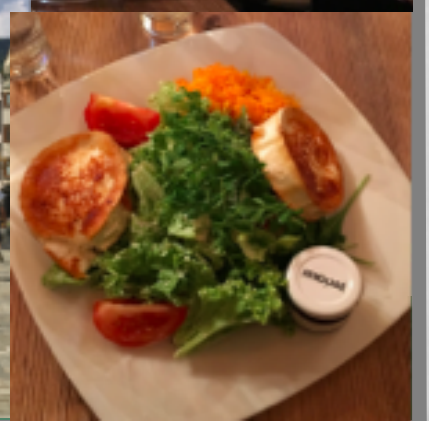
The Train,



The Mountains,









The School,







...The Family

# CSEP RESOURCES

- \* [Register](#) for an Information Session on October 29<sup>th</sup> at 1pm
- \* [Concordia International Website](#)
- \* [International Liaison Officer Virtual Office Hours](#)
- \* [Where can I go & Student Reports](#)
- \* [Concordia Student Exchange Association](#)
  
- \* [John Molson School of Business](#)
- \* Contact: [Amanda Holt](#)



# GENERAL GOING ABROAD QUESTIONS

- **WHAT WOULD YOU DO DIFFERENTLY IF YOU CHOSE TO STUDY ABROAD AGAIN?**
- **WHAT DID YOU DO FOR YOUR FLIGHTS? DID YOU WORK WHILE STUDYING ABROAD?**
- **WHEN ARE THE FALL TERM DATES (SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER)?**

Semester dates differ per country and should be verified prior to submitting your application

- ***WHAT IS THE REGISTRATION PROCESS FOR THE EXCHANGE PROGRAM?***

Be sure to attend the mandatory CSEP information sessions prior to submitting your application! Below are the CSEP deadlines:

- \* **NEXT CSEP INFORMATION SESSION: OCTOBER 29 1:00PM**
- \* **2021-2022 ACADEMIC YEAR OR FALL 2021: FEBRUARY 1, 2021**
- \* **WINTER 2022: JUNE 1 2021**

- **SHOULD I TALK TO MY ACADEMIC ADVISOR TO AND PLAN MY COURSE SEQUENCE ACCORDING TO WHAT I COULD TAKE ABROAD? CAN I FINISH MY DEGREE ABROAD?**

For questions about courses to take abroad, reach out to our CSEP coordinator Amanda Holt! It is not recommended to do your final semester abroad as it will delay your graduation since it can sometimes take up to a few months for Concordia to receive transcripts from your host institution.

# GENERAL GOING ABROAD QUESTIONS

**- WHICH UNIVERSITY IN EUROPE WOULD YOU RECOMMEND FOR AN ECONOMICS MAJOR? BEST FINA400 COURSES TO TAKE AT UNSW? HOW DO YOU GO ABOUT FINDING WHICH SCHOOL IS A GOOD FIT FOR YOU/WHICH ONE TO GO TO?**

For course specific questions, feel free to reach out to our CSEP coordinator Amanda Holt

Read past exchange students' reports/watch their exchange videos to gain more perspective on your school/country of interest. You can also join the "JMSB CSEP go away!" Facebook page and reach out to students to ask them specific questions about their experience!

**- IF I DO A SEMESTER AWAY, DOES IT PUSHES MY GRADUATION?**

It depends on what courses you take abroad, and what the semester dates are.

**- WHAT DO YOU DO IF YOU HAVE TO TAKE SUMMER CLASSES (BECAUSE OF COOP) BUT THE ACADEMIC YEAR IN THE EXCHANGE COUNTRY ENDS IN MID JUNE. IS IT JUST NOT AN OPTION OR CAN ACCOMMODATIONS BE MADE AT CONCORDIA?**

You will have to speak with your Co-op coordinator but sometimes adjustments to your course sequence can be made as long as you stay within the co-op guidelines (ex. 3 consecutive work terms and graduating on a work term are not allowed)

# BUDGET AND HOUSING QUESTIONS

## **- HOUSING OPTIONS?**

Some universities offer on campus housing in dorms. If this is unavailable they sometimes provide a list of off-campus housing options that are not affiliated to the university.

## **- IS IT POSSIBLE TO HAVE ROOMMATES FROM CONCORDIA TO LOWER EXPENSES EVEN IF WE DON'T KNOW WHO WILL BE TRAVELING FROM CONCORDIA TO THE SAME LOCATION?**

Join the “JMSB CSEP go away!” Facebook page to connect with other students studying abroad with you.

## **- HOW CAN WE APPLY TO THE FINANCIAL AID AND EVEN IF YOU ARE AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT CAN WE APPLY?**

Quebec mobility bursary (up to \$3000) for students studying abroad

LOJIQ bursary is on a first come first serve basis!

## **- HOW DID YOU CREATE A BUDGET FOR YOUR EXCHANGE?**

It is important that you verify the cost of living in the city where you'll be staying prior to your departure. Helpful information can be found at the following website: <https://www.Numbeo.Com/cost-of-living/>



# WORKING ABROAD QUESTIONS

## **- HOW DO EXCHANGES WORK WITH THE CO-OP PROGRAM? CAN YOU APPLY TO DO AN INTERNSHIP ABROAD?**

It is possible to do an exchange and/or internship abroad. All you have to do is submit your Co-op sequence application with the semester you would like to go on exchange, and get it approved by your Co-op Coordinator. Be sure to follow Co-op guidelines and plan ahead!

## **- WHERE CAN WE GO, WHAT ARE THE OPTIONS ?**

Adjust your Co-op settings to gain access to international opportunities or search independently via LinkedIn, Facebook etc.

# COVID-19 RELATED QUESTIONS

## **- HOW IS GOING ABROAD HAPPENING WITH COVID-19?**

You can still submit your application to study/work abroad! However, there are many things to take into consideration: whether the host institution is still accepting foreign students is up to to their discretion. Check the host country's COVID-19 guidelines prior to departure and be cautious before making any financial commitments.

## **- HOW GUARANTEED ARE WE TO STILL GO TO OUR CHOSEN LOCATION DUE TO COVID-19?**

CSEP nominations are dependent on the requirements of the program/host institution.

ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?



# THANK YOU + TO STAY UP TO DATE

- \* Facebook: [The John Molson International Committee](#)  
[The John Molson International Business Association](#)
- \* The [JIC Website](#) (Student Reports and Videos, Updated FAQs, Incoming + Outgoing Information, Student contacts)
- \* Director of Academics: [Juliana Lin](#)