

# My ESC Adventure

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My adventure as a volunteer started on November first when I arrived on Bydgoszcz, Poland, where a long journey waited for me on a project called 'Enjoy the Diversity'.





I am currently continuing out my project but not even a single day I didn't felt scared or not welcomed, although in a foreign country. Obviously in my memory is the first day of communication with the coordinators and with the workplaces.



The emotions of the first days in the nursery are indescribable. I obviously had a lot of doubts in myself and in my abilities since I would work with children from a very young age and who I do not communicate their mother tongue. I say with confidence that now my skills of communicating with children and taking care for them have been reinforced from my first day at work and now.

My work in nursery consist on helping children with their daily activities, helping instructors and educators with serving meals and helping instructors and educators with preparing and carrying out various activities





I also work on Elderly Club where I help in daily activities instructors, helping to prepare various occasional meetings such Women's Day, and also helping elderly people with their daily activities. I can see that Im learning a lot of new thing about the work there.



My biggest fear is related to not properly understand what is expected from me in the workplace. Over time my communication skills have improved and I can say for sure that now the fear that once gripped me is no any more. I am now more confident in me and in what I should do.

I also work in the International Affair Office where the work consists in the realization of certain tasks, helping with preparing Orientation Days for international students, helping with organizing some events and activities. After every task I feel more involved and more professionally fulfilled.





We also engage in the EU Direct Office where so far we have made various presentations with high school students on topics like ESC, EU and other activities to. I really enjoyed this because after every presentation I feel more confident on myself and it makes feel good when someone is getting something new from the work you do.

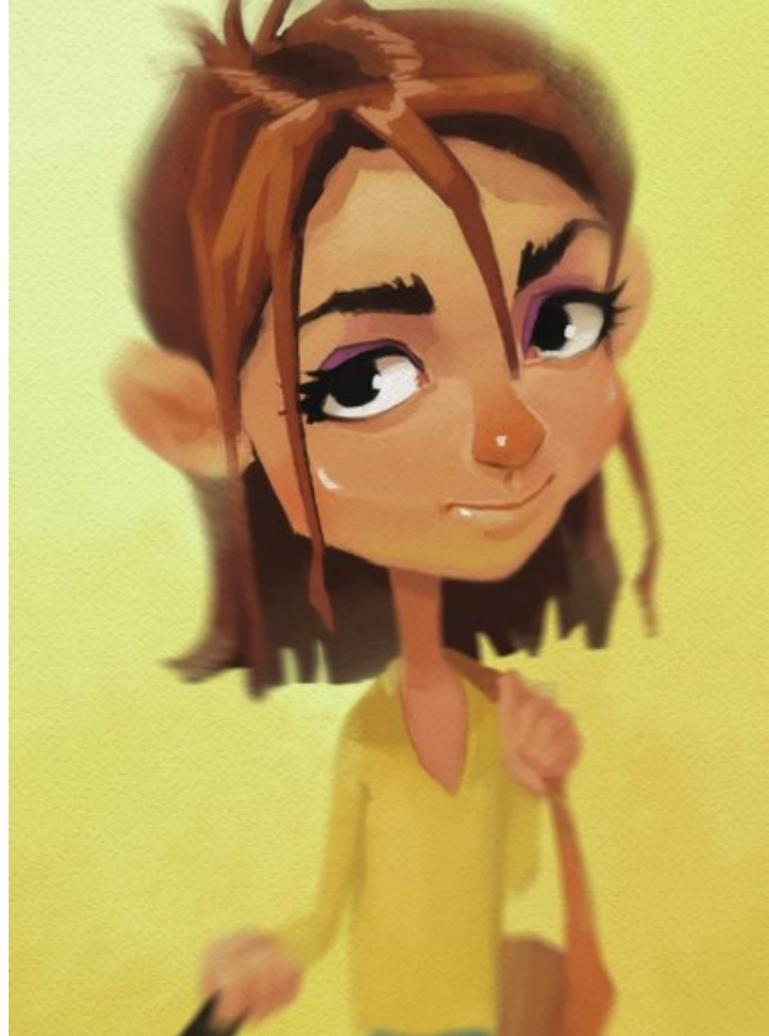


I work in Welcome Center with student around the world to make easier for them being in a other country.



I work also in Studio Design where I help with making promo materials. I have learn a lot of new things there that I dint know before related design work.

My work on library consists on helping with organizing some events and activities for international students such as it was the video we made for new year in cooperation with students.



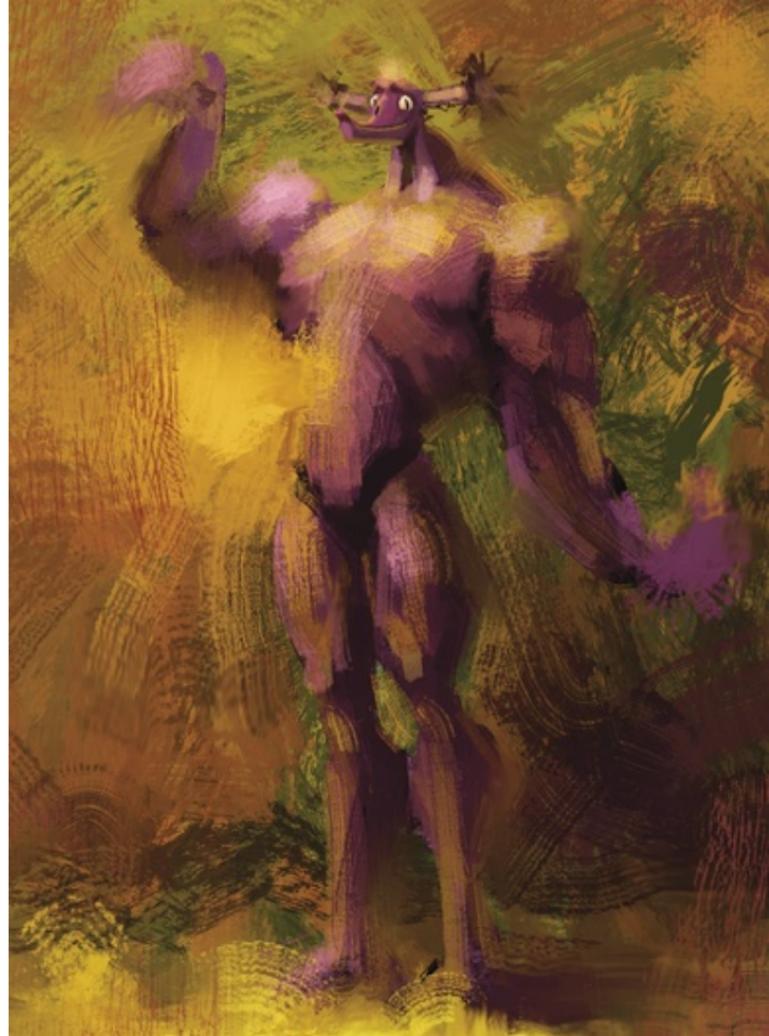


Obviously Poland is a cold country but people are warm and smiling. Everyone greets you and colleagues ask if you have any concerns related work. I have notice that polish people love walks, love sweets and cafe to.

Polish language I have to admit it for me it is hard and especially numbers but I really enjoy the learning time even why it's not going exactly as I wanted. I'm gonna give my efforts to it to be able to speak why not in Polish language short sentences.



The Polish culture its amazing and I am looking forward to see and find out more. I had the opportunity to try traditional food cooked for Christmas, to experience the fat day and to see that people here love shopping.





In the zoo in Bydgoszcz there are varied range of native birds such us the Owl and other animals, reptiles and else. Poland has a lot of parks and lakes and hope to see a few of them. Until now I visited Warsaw, Gdansk, Poznan, Toruń, Koronowa and looking forward for more

Im happy for the decision I made to take part in a ESC project and that today I am here in Poland. I am so independent and all these experiences will be helpful on my coming days.

