

## Testimonial: Attendance at University of Bayreuth International Summer School 2016

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I attended the Bayreuth International Summer School from 3<sup>rd</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> July 2016 as a member of the Bayreuth-Melbourne Colloid/Polymer Network. There I completed the “Colloids and Polymers in Energy and Life Sciences” course. The course offered both theoretical and practical classes, the latter giving me exposure to a range of state of the art equipment at the university. The course was a fantastic opportunity to meet and interact with international guest lecturers from the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), and foster memorable friendships with many international students from the school.



I had a very enjoyable experience visiting the University of Bayreuth. The campus is lovely and spacious, with lots of nice outdoor areas and a canteen serving delicious and reasonably priced food. The campus is also situated only a short bus ride from the town which made staying in town very convenient. The summer school organisers were very helpful and organised many interesting social events and excursions within the beautiful city of Bayreuth. The organisers also arranged a weekend trip to Berlin, including city tour, trip to the museum and Olympic stadium (and memorable nightlife); it was a great experience.

I would like to thank course coordinator for his assistance in organising my enrolment and accommodation in Bayreuth. I would also like to thank the DAAD, for the fixed travel and daily allowance awarded to me as a network member, which helped to pay for flights and accommodation.