MY STAY IN SLOVAKIA



I really enjoyed my stay in Bratislava. I got the opportunity to meet so many nice people and to experience the true culture of Bratislava. The Slovak students were so friendly and they really made an effort to make us feel welcome. I felt like they genuinely wanted to get to know us and take us to different places. For example, they showed us around the city and took us to different activities, like Frisbee and football.

We also had some classes together. It was so kind of hard understanding the different subjects in English and even harder to talk and discuss the subjects with the Slovak students. It was interesting to see their point of view on different matters, for example on the immigrant crisis in Europe. Even though it was difficult, I do think it was a good experience.

The city, especially the old town, was amazing, with all its nice churches, old buildings and cafes. I bought coffee several times a day, and I have to say, Bratislava had the best coffee I have ever tasted. The days went by so quickly and we were doing different tings all the time. The last day we for example went to two different castles. I loved the majestic atmosphere and I felt like we were traveling in time.

I also got closer to my teachers and classmates from school. I didn't actually know my classmates all that well before the trip, but that definitely changed after a week stuck together. I feel like this trip brought the class so much closer together, which, in my opinion, was the greatest thing about the trip. I am left with new knowledge, new friends and many good memories.



What I liked the most was a place called "Laser tag". That, for me, was definitely the best night of the week. The whole class cooperated so well and we had the most amazing time. My teacher, Preben, also took me and some other students to a hokey game. I have never experienced anything like that. It was amazing.

The most interesting was to see the school and how they learned.

The biggest difference was that the students stayed at school and did different activities after school had finished. It seamed a lot more social than in Norway. We mostly go home right after school.

The biggest surprise was how much this project really meant for the Slovak students. They told me how hard they had to work to come to Norway while most of us, the Norwegian students, just took this trip for granted. In so many ways, we have a better life here in Norway than in so many other places, but we don't appreciate what we have. This definitely opened my eyes and I know see how lucky I am. I am so grateful that I got the opportunity to participate in the BraDrahip project.