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framework of International Students Exchange Program — ERASMUS MUNDUS, projects EMINENCE and EMINENCE II share their opinion about the Exchange program and study at Mogilev State A. Kuleshov University.

In the fall of 2015, we came on two semesters to Mogilev State A. Kuleshov University within the

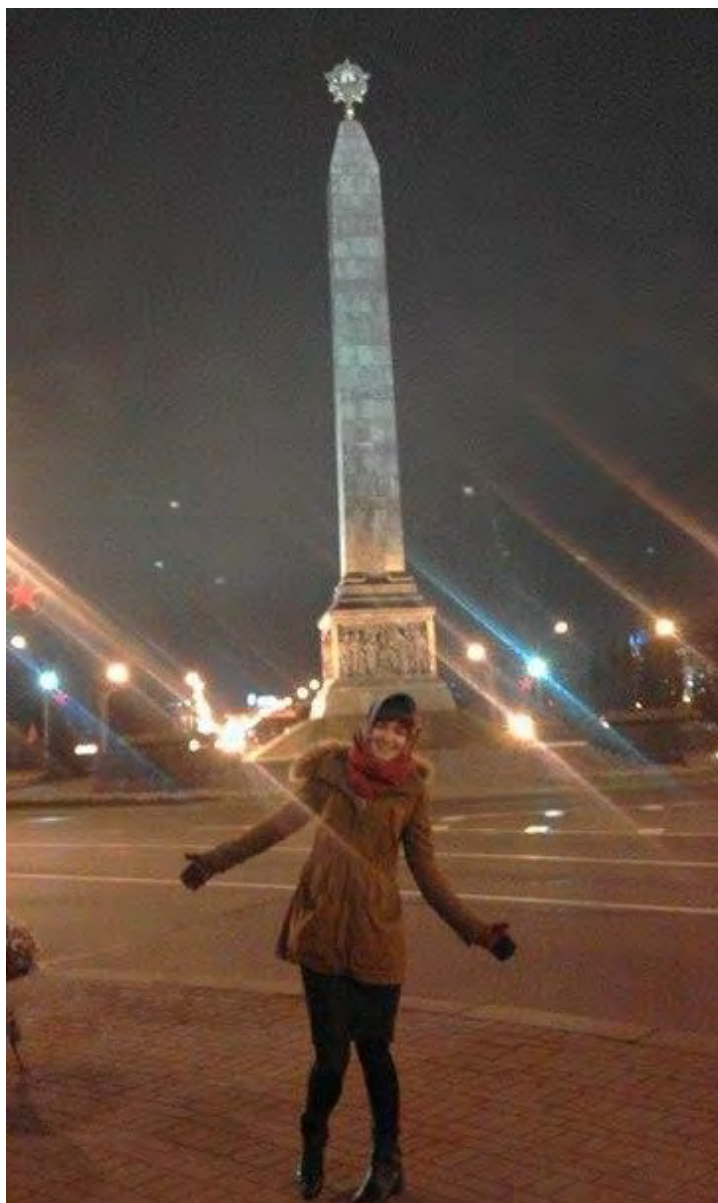
international exchange program «ERASMUS MUNDUS». We found the information about it on the University website. We decided to contact the coordinator of the program, who spoke about Belarus exit conditions. Also, the coordinator helped us with preparation of documents, which was quite a lot. At the end of last February we sent the documents to Mogilev. After some time, we received the invitation and issued visas at the consulate of the Republic of Belarus in Gdansk. During all these months we often corresponded with the Belarusian coordinator of the program, who immediately

answered all our questions related to the visit to Mogilev. Since then, our adventure began. The first funny incident happened on the plane. It turned out that we had a business class tickets! We were very surprised and at some time felt



like in a fairy tale. In our opinion, this was a good omen ... There were a lot of laughter and joy ahead. There were, of course, some difficulties. It was impossible, for example, to find the owner, who would agree to sign a contract of hiring apartment.

In our opinion, Belarus is not so very different from Poland. After all, we are all



Slavs! From the first days, we felt like home. We met friendly people who were willing to help us. And these were not only Belarusians. The first person with whom we met on arrival was a student from Turkmenistan. Without him we would have found a hostel only in the morning. We would like to send greetings to him, although, unfortunately, we cannot remember what his name is ...

There are some distinctions between the education systems of the countries. Our training consists of a three-year undergraduate and two-year master's. Master, of course, not required, but the majority of Polish students decided to do it to become an expert in the field. Baccalaureate gives the main skills. Three years of intensive training are enough to learn even a foreign language. Therefore, we are surprised by a long and intense program of the Belarusian education. We have much less training. Also, we do not study on Saturdays. In Poland, there is no

such thing as working out. We believe that the system of "3 + 2" would bring you a great favor. The Belarusian students with whom we discussed this topic agree with us. The students and teachers would have a lot more free time.