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I have been translating and doing social media/community management work for WSN Development, a company that organises fashion and accessory trade shows in Paris.

The translations pushed me to learn new vocabulary and were a great opportunity to get a better understanding of the structure of French. Doing some social media work was a learning curve for me as I have no prior experience in this area and it was particularly useful seeing as

social media has become such an integral part of any business.

I started doing translations for Erasmus as a volunteer, as well as researching the kind of companies that inspire me and that I may one day want to work for. I also

read a lot of articles about the topics that I am passionate about, and even listened to some Parliament Live to inform myself on politics and what was going on in the world.

I have definitely become more confident and more aware of who I am as a person from this experience. I am proud of myself for having worked in a French office for 6 months and for my improvement in French. As for advice for students



considering a study abroad experience, I would tell them to do it because they will learn so much about themselves and will appreciate their home and culture so much more. But I would also warn them that they shouldn't feel pressured to have 'the time of their lives' like everyone says you will.

Overall, it has been the perfect cliché; a rollercoaster and a journey! If I could go back, I still would have chosen to be in Paris and to do this internship so je ne regrette rien!