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At the very beginning of my study abroad period I found myself completely unprepared for being abroad. Despite this, within a few weeks I was able to overcome the difficulties of homesickness and found myself enjoying myself more than ever before.

My year abroad taught me that no matter how hard things look at the time I can overcome them to make a positive learning experience out of it. I have met some of my best friends on my year abroad and established links with people across the world.

My advice to all students considering a year abroad is for them to bite the bullet and go, you grow unimaginably as a person and learn so much from the level of independence you experience living in a different country on your own.

