

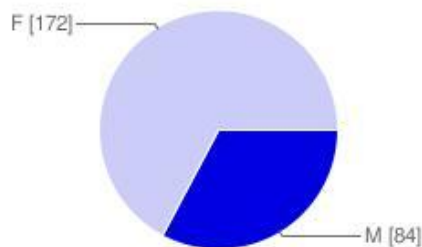
## Dream Foundation's Study Abroad Survey Results!

This autumn Dream Foundation organized an international survey on the study abroad topic among students who have been interested in going to study abroad or are studying at the moment abroad. The goal of the survey was to find out why people go to study abroad, how they make their choices and how satisfied they are.

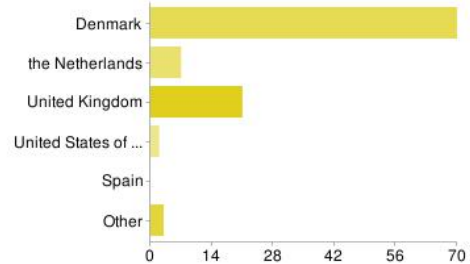
Although the answers depend a lot on the institution people are studying in, the survey covering different schools showed a lot of positive feedback from people studying abroad.

All together 260 people filled the questionnaire from Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Bulgaria and Romania. 1/3 of them were male and 2/3 female and nearly 50% were studying at the moment abroad, great majority in the United Kingdom and Denmark.

**Gender**

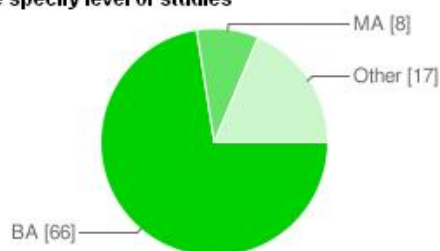


**Please specify the country you are studying**

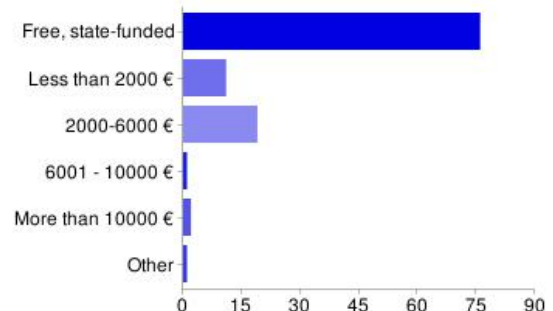


73% of the people were studying on the BA level, mostly on the first or second year of their studies. Nearly 80% of those who answered had a state funded place (69%) or paid less than 2000€ per year for their studies (10%).

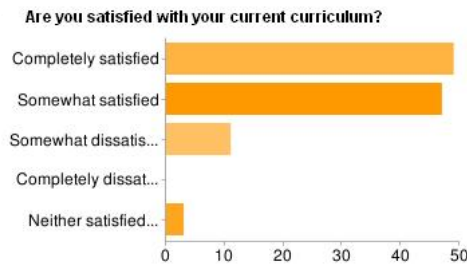
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45% of those who filled the questionnaire were completely satisfied with the curriculum and 43% somewhat satisfied. For example students brought out that they are satisfied with the practical side of studies, they liked the teaching techniques that were different from their home country, very good atmosphere in the classes and a lot of interesting and innovative projects to work on. Those who were less satisfied mentioned that the curriculum was too theoretical.



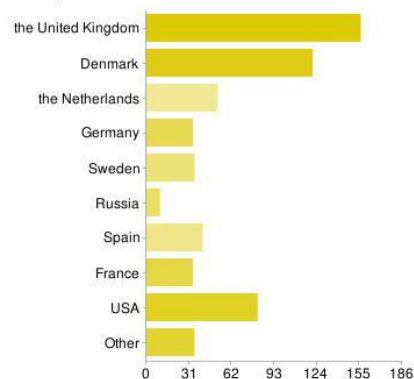
93% found that curriculum, professors and quality of education offered by the university corresponds to their expectations they had while entering the university. 45% said it corresponds completely and 48% that it corresponds somewhat. For example students brought out that all the teachers have practical experience in the subjects they are teaching.

The 4 most popular answers to the question which were their main indicators for educational choices were the following: future career perspectives, interesting specialty, personal fulfilment and international scope. Based on the survey the decision of going to study abroad is strongly related to future career.

The most positive aspects about studying abroad associated with international experience, high quality of education and using foreign language in everyday life.

The biggest fears concerning going to study abroad were related to expenses, finding a job and getting accepted.

**If you are planning to go to study abroad in next 2-3 years, please specify which countries would you consider.**



Nearly 92% of all who answered are planning to continue their studies abroad or go to study abroad in the next 2-3 years. The most popular study destinations mentioned are UK, Denmark and USA and most interesting courses related to economics, art/design and social sciences.

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