

# Campus



On the beginning of my second week in Lisbon, I had to go to the Uni to enrol my classes. This was my first opportunity to check out the Campus. What I first recognized is that besides our Campus there are 4-5 other ones from other faculties. From a few meters of distance, ours didn't seem more spectacular than any other University. When I walked closer, I recognized the Plants and the Palm trees around the buildings which make it more special and modern. It has everything what's needed in an Art School: workrooms, Art shop, coffee, canteen... In the canteen you can get a whole lunch (soup, meal, drink, dessert) for only 2,75 €. The advantage of the School being on the top of the hill is that we have a view from there and the disadvantage is that it's impossible to walk there (except if you are up for some hiking) so

we have to take the bus. The easiest and most comfortable way to get to the Uni for me is to take the train from Parade (that's where I live) to Algés and from there go by the bus 729. I can take the same bus from Belém or another bus (742/760) from Alcantara-Mar but like I said I prefer the first option. In the mornings on weekdays there are express trains till 10 am and it takes approximately 15 min to get to Lisbon. I LOVE EXPRESS TRAINS, haha! You save so many times with them.





My School has started only 2 weeks ago so for now I don't have that much experience about the expectations they have. All I can say is that the most part of the classes are in Portuguese, but the teachers and the classmates are super helpful, so they translate the important stuff to English and help us to buy fabric. We'll probably start the projects soon and they sound pretty exciting, but let's get back to that in a few months. Thanks to Covid our classes are half online – half presential. That means if for example one week on Monday we have classes in presence and on Wednesday, Friday it's online then the next week they switch and we'll have class on Monday online and Wednesday, Friday in presence. I'm taking Fashion Design V., Workshop III., Fashion Production Systems, Digital

Prototyping and Drawing I. classes. Fashion Design V. and the Drawing I. classes are really good and useful, workshop is also nice - you can improve your sewing skills, whereas Fashion Production System is a theoretical class and the presentations are in Portuguese so it's not

really worth it to attend and then Digital Prototyping is a difficult one, but if you manage to understand and follow it then it can be a good thing.



There is only one other Erasmus student besides me in Fashion Design course. However, they're much more in Architecture. Therefore, they have some classes in English, not like Fashion Design students. And how do I know this? We had a Welcome Session on the first day of School. The locals guided us around the Campus, then we had a lunch together and we closed the Session with a Speed Friending Game.

But enough of the School! So many things happened with me in the past few weeks, I

don't even know where to begin. Erasmus events, journeys, new friends, new adventures, getting lost in the new city (unfortunately I'm not kidding), new Beaches discovered and much more to come...! But let's get back to these in a next article!

