

Three Continents, One Transformative Journey: My ACT Experience

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What motivated you to participate in ACT Program?

The ACT program still drew my attention because of its tri-continental intensive global learning style, despite my previous exchange experience in North America and Europe. The program emphasizes deep connections with local businesses and context in foreign countries, which entails a profound understanding of culture and systems. Moreover, I am also drawn to the European teaching style. After learning that the ACT program offers a dual-degree option, I did not hesitate to participate.

What is your biggest reward from ACT Program?

This program really addresses soft-skill development. Students have to adjust themselves to unfamiliar environments and situations every day. I have encountered several difficulties with language, cultural norms, values, communication, and social systems during my eight months in the ACT program. This experience definitely helped me to hone my skills in problem-solving, strategic thinking, and adaptability. Plus, the associated adjustment topics are deliberately incorporated into the program. The ACT program is very special because it addresses skills not only at the knowledge level but also at the soft-skill level, which is essential for succeeding in future careers.

What courses or training from ACT Program benefit your current job?

The courses taught by the University of Victoria staff on business strategy and negotiation are the most memorable and beneficial. I grew a lot from the negotiation simulation and the assignment of analytical business reports, on top of the systematic lectures on strategy differences and when to use them. What's more, the debriefing after each activity and the discussions prompt reflection, which is vital for applying knowledge in real-world situations. After these eight months of training, I can systematically analyze problems and develop reasonable solutions when encountering difficulties.

What role does ACT program play in your future career plan?

Completing the ACT program means not only the ability to think meticulously and solve problems, but also the ability to perform well under unfamiliar stress. The consultation practice in Austria term best exemplifies how we put all our learning into practice. The valuable global experience offered by the ACT program is surely a big plus for those who want to work in an international corporation or a Taiwanese corporation with international businesses.

Please provide us 3 reasons to join ACT program.

- To gain rare global experience.
- To develop and apply soft skills in the ever-changing business environment.
- A relatively simple and time-saving way to get a dual degree.