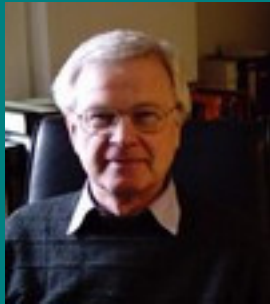


Berlin, Germany

Clinical Student Exchange



Freie Universität Berlin
Tierklinik



Program



- One week clinical exchange to the Free University of Berlin College of Veterinary Medicine
- Program started by Dr. Wangemann of KSU CVM and Professor Martens of FU Berlin
- Spent three days in the Small Animal clinic (Kleintierklinik) and two in the Equine clinic (Pferdeklinik)
- Plenty of free time to be tourists!



Room & Board

- The school rented an apartment in Zehlendorf (Berlin suburb – near the school) for us
- They also provided us with money for groceries



Kleintierklinik

- Attended morning rounds (in German)
- Sat in on a lecture (in English due to other visiting students)
 - Dog w/ intestinal problems
 - Fractured limb
- Part of the time observing the ambulatory service
 - watching appointments
 - Thoracocentesis
- Rest of the time observing surgeries
 - Perineal hernia repair
 - Arthroscopic joint repair
 - Many others



Pferdeklinik

- Observed ongoing procedures
 - Colic surgery recovery
 - Club foot foal being shod
 - Shipping fever
- Sat in on a lecture (in German)
 - Equine diarrhea
 - Lameness
 - Colic





Clinical Differences

- They don't use syringes to draw blood
- Not very many spays & neuters
- Not as many apparent rotations in the hospital
- Not as many clinicians per student
- Students run their own blood work
- They also take their own radiographs
 - Owners help with most procedures

Education System

- School free for German citizens
- Five or six year program which includes undergraduate/preclinical studies
- Classes divided differently
- Higher drop out rate
- After done with classes need to find a mentor and work for 3 months before taking exams for graduation

Free Time

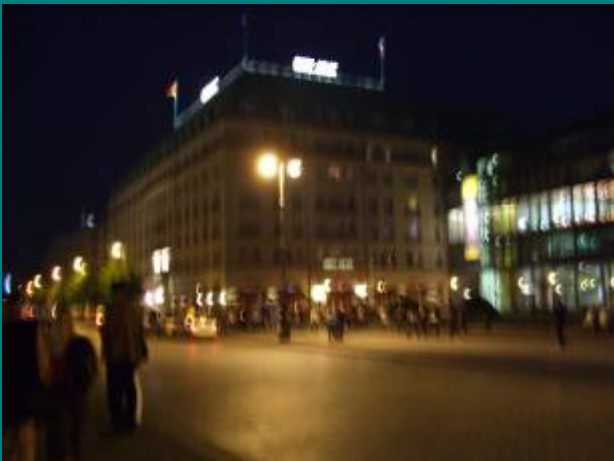
- Done with clinics at 5:00pm
- Plenty of time see Berlin and spend time with new friends



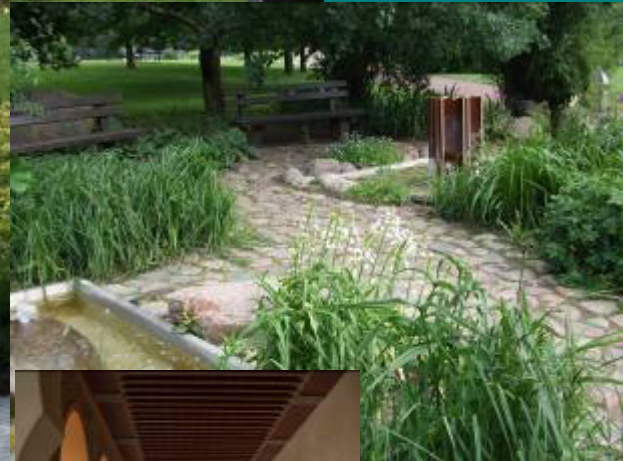
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Brandenburg Gate



Marzahn Gardens



Checkpoint Charlie



Berlin Wall



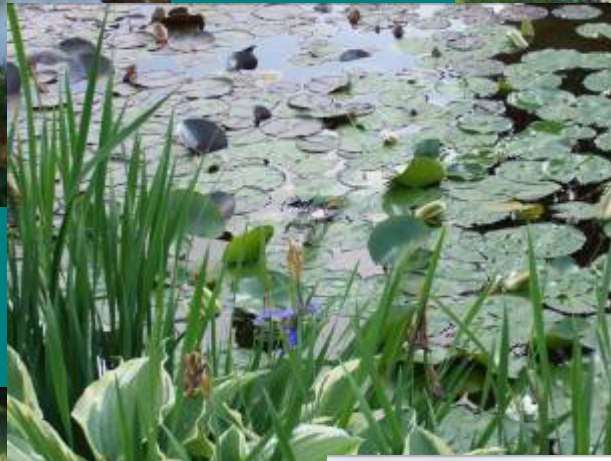
Berliner Dom



Sanssouci



Botanical Gardens



Zoological Gardens



Final Thoughts

- Most Germans speak some level of English...
- Berlin is a big city, but very safe.
- Excellent public transportation
 - Take comfortable shoes!
- Going in summer vs. winter?



The End

Questions?