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International student mobility in Europe  
*A study case based on Erasmus participants studying at the University of Huelva*

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[Résumé du mémoire

Each year a considerable number of students participate in the Erasmus+ Programme. Many of them are eager to reach Spain, one of the most popular destinations in Europe. However, Huelva, a small city in Southwestern Andalusia, remains relatively unknown. So, why do these students participate in the Erasmus program, and what motivates them to choose Huelva? What activities and mobility experiences do they have? Intrigued by these questions, I aimed to answer them with my research.

Using ethnographic fieldwork methodology, I conducted semi-structured interviews with 12 European and international students participating in the Erasmus Programme at the University of Huelva. Additionally, I carried out participant observation. I analyzed these experiences to understand the link between mobility and tourism.

My research provides insights into the reasons behind students' decisions to join the Erasmus program and their choice of Huelva as a destination. It highlights the different experiences of students from the European Union compared to international students who require a visa. The study showcases a variety of experiences, ranging from local to international levels, from Huelva to as far as Morocco or the Canary Islands.

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