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Exchange Testimonial

I undertook an exchange to the University of British Columbia (UBC) for one term in 2010. This was actually for my final semester of University for my dual degree in Economics/Business Management. In terms of academics I found the university to be of a very high standard and as Economics being taught as part of the arts department was also interesting. I made lots of great friends whilst on exchange, and this would be the highlight of the exchange experience. Once Whistler opened (mid-Nov) weekend skiing trips were awesome, as was going up there over the Christmas/New Year period. Financially, I think it is really up to the individual how much you want to spend, however when on exchange there is so many things that could be done that it is great if you have enough to do some travelling, going out etc.

My 5 tips of places to go and things to do:

- 1) Republic Nightclub – for some ridiculously big nights.
- 2) Whistler – Obviously this place speaks for itself (1.5 hours away from Vancouver)
- 3) Wreck Beach – Nudist beach, located on campus. Interesting.
- 4) Aquarium – dolphin show and other interesting animals etc.
- 5) Grouse Mountain – Grizzly bears, wolves

Overall, I found the exchange experience to be extremely rewarding and would recommend it to everyone. If it's possible, definitely do it. The only thing a little difficult with it was that I undertook it in my final year, which made finding subjects a little harder, so if you can do it earlier in your degree with electives that would be advantageous.

