

Hello, my name is Carl. I am from Finland and I study Tourism Development Strategies (3 semester pathway).

### I decided to study at the University of Applied Sciences Stralsund because...

the university has interesting Master programs taught in English. Furthermore, the fact that the university is rather small creates a closer bond between professors and students, it is easier to get help and there is a close community within the university.

# I study Tourism Development Strategies (TDS) in the 3-semester pathway because...

I have a previous bachelor's degree in business and want to expand my knowledge within the field of tourism since my home region in Finland has an important tourism sector. The fact that the program is in English and has a practical approach with case projects and an excursion were also decisive factors. Additionally, I have always enjoyed travelling and I find different cultures fascinating, this program enables me to work with what I love.

#### I especially like...

that the university is very suitable for international students, there has been continuous help and support from day one. I also like the fact that an international excursion is a part of the studies, where one learns from real companies and scenarios.

## The Hanseatic Town of Stralsund as location to study...

is a cosy town with surprisingly much to offer, especially for someone that is studying tourism. The city as well as the island of Rügen has a lot to see and do, and during summer in particular, it is the place to be. To get around the city is also quick and easy with bike, almost any part of the city is reachable with bike within 20 minutes. The train connections are also good, with direct trains to both Hamburg and Berlin that takes approximately 3 hours.

#### After my graduation...

I plan to master my German language skills to be able to find an interesting job within tourism or business in northern Germany. This master degree, in combination with my previous experiences hopefully opens a world of interesting opportunities after my graduation.