

Optimizing automated sand filters at the pilot plant

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My life as an intern

Before I embarked on my journey away from CULS there were a lot of doubts in my mind on what I was capable of and what would be expected of me as an intern. Afterall the only qualifications I had to my name was a high school diploma and a handful of things I picked up along the way. This kind of thinking discouraged me in applying for an internship at first, however I put my doubts aside and decided to just start sending out applications. I sent out a lot before I ever got a reply, but I knew it was only a matter of time till someone received my call and responded. During my internship in the Netherlands, I was able to gain practical experience which will help me get a job in the future and gained a deeper understanding of the opportunity's available to me post-graduation.

In my experience taking that first step is always the hardest part as there is so much unknown to you, will I get chosen, where will I go, what will I do. If you put all those things aside and just start, put one foot in front of the other, you will surprise yourself on what you can achieve. I of course did not achieve any of this on my own as I had help from my friends, family, and was fortunate enough to be awarded the ERASMUS+ & faculty scholarship for my mobility. If you ever have the chance I would really recommend to do an international mobility as there are only positive things to gain from the experience.