

Letter of Motivation for Erasmus+ Programme

Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is Florin Croitoru and am attending my in my first year in a Historical Theology Masters Programme at the "Andrei Şaguna" Faculty of Orthodox Theology within "Lucian Blaga" University of Sibiu, Romania. I have been offered a traineeship by the Saint George Church in Turnhout, Belgium from April to September 2017.

With this letter I would like to express my interest towards participating in the Erasmus+ programme, so I may be able to honor the opportunity I have been given. This traineeship would not only help me with my current studies, but also enhance my future career perspectives.

Firstly, this traineeship would allow me to have a more practical view on what a career in theology implies, as I would be assisting the parish priest with his duties. Furthermore, it would also improve my interpersonal skills, which I believe, are very important in any and all areas of theology I wish to have a career in.

Secondly, the opportunity of spending 6 months in Turnhout, Belgium would help me learn a new language and a different culture, but also better understand the needs of people from my own culture. This is an opportunity to see how Romanians in Belgium have integrated their culture within that of the host-country, from both a social and a theological point of view.

Lastly, working alongside the parish priest would be an invaluable experience for me, as one of my interests is to pursue a career as a priest in a foreign country. I would be able to better understand the responsibilities of a parish priest. Also, it would give me great pride to assist the Saint George Church congregation in any way I can.

The experience I would earn by participating in this traineeship would enhance both my professional and personal development. When I will finish my Masters programme and begin my career in theology, I believe that this experience will have made me a better prepared individual.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Florin Croitoru