

Internship In Friedrich-Spee-Gymnasium in R then



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I am Paula [REDACTED] from Tarragona, Spain. I am 16 years old and I have completed a one-week internship in Friedrich-Spee-Gymnasium in R then, Germany as a teacher assistant in a different variety of classes and subjects. My internship was from the 6th June 2026 to 13th June 2026. In this school, classes started at 7:55 and ended at 13:02 but they could have class until around 15:00 some days, but I only did classes until 13:02. The day consists of 4 classes, each lasting 1 hour and 7 minutes, and 2 breaks of 15 minutes. For this internship, I was with a classmate, but we didn't have all the same classes. Before every class, some teachers made us present ourselves and in some the kids had to ask questions.

Monday 8th June 2026

On our first day, we only had three classes, as in the first one we were supposed to be with the teacher who organized our week to show us the school, however, she couldn't make it as she had some problems, so we joined the class equivalent to our year, Klasse 10, where we did some history and learned about the cold war. My second class was English with Klasse 7c, where the kids had to practise for their oral exam, so they had to describe a simple picture and we drew it without seeing the photo. For the third class, we had English with Klasse 7b. They were also preparing for an oral exam. The kids were doing group discussions about organising a trip and we had to help them speak more and correct them. For the final class, we had Sport with Klasse 7c where the teacher made us join the class, where we did some warmups and then played V lkerball in the school's large sportshalls and track.

Tuesday 9th June 2026

On our second day, for our first class, I had Art with Klasse 9c, where the students had to finish their design of a drink for the school's 100th anniversary the following week. I observed the students and helped the teacher do some tasks and prepare for the following week. For our second class, we had Spanish with Klasse 9, where the students were creating a graphic novel with photos and we had to help them with their ideas, photos and with their text. For our third class, we were with the teacher who organized our week, we talked with her and she showed us the school. For our fourth class, I had physics with Klasse 7c. I found the class very interesting as I tried to help the students with what I could, as I don't know a lot of German but I tried my best.

Wednesday 10th June 2026

On our third day, I had art with Klasse 5a, where I observed the students and drew as well. For our second class, I had English with Klasse 5a, where the students started a new topic, shopping, and they had to do some brainstorming and recalling from other topics. For my third class, my class was cancelled, so I joined my classmate and we had English with Klasse 8d, where the students asked us a lot of questions and then we helped them finish their presentation about American culture. For our fourth class, I had art with Klasse 5c, where I also observed the students drawing and also drew myself.

Thursday 11th June 2026

For this day, Klasse 10 was going on a trip to the HOLO-VOICES exhibit in Essen. The school offered us to join, and we accepted to go with them. There we learned about a girl who was very young when WW2 started and her life journey as she survived every difficulty, so she was able to explain the story to the world. We did a small visit and watched a video about her, we also did some research in small groups. Finally, there was a hologram of the woman as old and we could ask free questions and she would respond. I found the trip interesting.

Friday 12th June 2026

On our last day, for our first class, I had Art with Klasse 7c, where I observed the students and gave them feedback, as well as drawing myself. For our second class, I had Physics with Klasse 5c, where they did some recall from past lessons and then did a small quiz, where I tried to help them. After the teacher did two experiments about heat transfer and simple convection current. For our third class, we had Spanish with Klasse 10, where we had to help the students make a poster trying to convince their friends to visit Argentina. For our last class, we had Football with Klasse 5-6. At this age they have many optional subjects, and one of them is Football. Here we joined the class and played football with them.

After the internship, I think this week was a great experience, where I learned a lot and saw many different ways of teaching. I also got to know many students and teachers, as well as learn the traditions and ways of doing things by German people. I thank the Elena Bless Foundation for providing me with this scholarship and for making my trip and experience possible. Thank you.

