



UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN DENMARK

# Study Abroad in Denmark



**Denmark** - peninsula of Jutland and 406 islands

**Odense** - island of Funen





# Odense

- *Hygge* (who-ga) - friendly atmosphere
- Pronounced oh-dense-say
  - Population ~200,000
  - Birthplace of Hans Christian Andersen
- Residents of Denmark speak fluent English
- Scandinavian
- Close to Sweden and Germany



# University of Southern Denmark

- Engineering college located in Odense
- Courses taught in English
- Problem based learning
- Semester study
- Opportunities for 20 week internships with Danish companies.



# Observations from a previous student

- You can get to almost every place inside of the city and out with a bicycle (A common way to get one cheap is buy it at a city police auction)
- Everyone knows how to speak English (even older people) and in fact many Europeans go to Scandinavian countries like Denmark to work on their English
- Denmark is very clean and there is little crime
- It is easy to travel to other countries
- Efficient system of public transportation
- Opportunity to interact with many other different nationalities
- Cost of living is similar to Iowa
- Exchange program was well organized on both ends

# Timing

- Fall semester
  - August 28 - January 26
- Spring
  - January 30 – June 30

# Semester Study

- Spring semester, February 1 to June 30
- Apply by September 30
- Special courses taught in English

# Major Fields of Study

- Chemical Engineering
- Electrical Power Engineering
- Embedded Systems
- Environmental Engineering
- Innovation and Business
- Integrated Design
- Manufacturing and Management
- Mechanical Engineering
- Mechatronics Engineering
- Modern Artificial Intelligence
- Robotics
- Software Systems Engineering
- Structural Engineering

[http://www.sdu.dk/Uddannelse/Uddannelsesoversigt/Exchange\\_Programmes.aspx](http://www.sdu.dk/Uddannelse/Uddannelsesoversigt/Exchange_Programmes.aspx)



# Benefits

- Problem based learning
- No need to learn a new language
- Internship
- Satisfy the International Perspectives requirement



# Next Step

- Talk to Engineering International Program representatives
- Get organized
- Apply for the program through the study abroad office

<http://www.studyabroad.iastate.edu/Application/Application.html>