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"I came to study in Birmingham as it's a multicultural city and it's a great opportunity for me to learn about lots of different cultures by meeting people from all over the world. The city is extremely modern and the variety of entertainment available means that you can do almost anything here. Birmingham is handily located in the centre of the country so it's really useful for getting around and visiting other places while I'm here.

"When deciding where to go I searched the internet to discover which schools were of the highest quality and found that Birmingham Law school was the best university who offered the course I was interested in. I also looked at other factors such as the finances I would need in different parts of the country and discovered that Birmingham is much less expensive than London to live in. I was also lucky enough to be offered a scholarship to study Law at Birmingham which showed how much the university wanted me and had a big impact on my decision.

"One of the reasons I chose Birmingham is because it is a traditional law school with a great sense of history and the buildings and surroundings all add to that feeling as it's a beautiful green environment. It's really nice here and everything which you could need is located on campus. There are lots of activities and clubs to get involved in and I'd recommend doing some research before you arrive to make sure you know about all the opportunities which are available and don't miss out on anything.

"The content of the course is really great, you'll be amazed at the quality of the materials you are given. The texts and information which we have to read are really interesting and it inspires you to want to keep reading and learning. Every course is so well prepared and you'll really enjoy studying here. The time flies by as the content of what you are learning is extremely interesting.

"The people at Birmingham are really nice and it's a very diverse place. I live in a flat with people of three different nationalities, Moldovan, Spanish and Chinese! I'm able to walk to campus from my flat and the quality of life is really good. I would recommend that if people have foods which they'd really miss then they should bring a supply with them as although British food is nice it's never quite like what you'd get at home.

"When I graduate I'm looking to return to Mexico and practice in International Commercial Law, I love life in the UK but because I don't have the background knowledge in British Common Law I think I'll probably return home to practice."