Instructors
- What were they like when compared to UCSB instructors?
I was enrolled in a language course at Folkuniversitet separate from Lund University, so I can’t testify to what instructors at the university are like. However, my instructors at the language school were very friendly, energetic, and not too concerned with formality.

- Could you call them by their first names?
I always called my instructors by their first names.

- Was the student/instructor relationship more formal than at UCSB?
I would say that it was similar to my relationship with my TAs in section.

- Were they available for help during office hours?
They didn’t hold regular office hours but I could easily ask them for help if I needed it.

Courses
- Were the courses more difficult when compared to UCSB courses?
The course I took was an intensive language course so we went over material much faster and more intensely than in language courses at UCSB. I had class three hours each day, four days a week.

- Was the grading system similar to UCSB?
The grading system was comparable.

- How did the course structure differ? Ex) did you have many assignments or just finals?
We had daily homework assignments and two finals, one final after each three weeks.

- Did you have oral and/or written exams?
I had written exams.

- Was the final exam schedule flexible or inflexible?
It was flexible. If you notified them ahead of time, you could take the exam at a different time.

- What kind of academic support, if any, did you receive?
I could contact the UCEAP advisor Linus Lindgren if I had any questions or I could go visit him in person during his weekly office hours.

- Did you find you needed to be more independent and take more initiative abroad?
I definitely found I had to take more initiative while abroad to get things done but it felt great to be able to explore and understand a country on my own.
- Was classroom participation expected?
  Yes. Especially because it was a language class, we were expected to practice speaking the language.

- How were the host university courses different than UCSB courses?

- Were classes usually on certain days/times and for how long?
  I had class three hours a day, four days a week. On Fridays, we explored surrounding destinations as a group.

- What is the class culture like? How important was it to be punctual? Could you eat/drink in class?
  The class culture was quite casual. We were expected to be punctual, but it was not enforced. We were allowed to eat and drink in class.

Language
- In which languages were the courses offered?
  My Swedish language class was taught in Swedish but was designed to teach English speakers with no past Swedish experience how to speak and understand Swedish.

- What language did you take your courses in?
  Swedish, with occasional English when necessary.

- If you took your courses in a foreign language, please provide info about your overall experience, difficulty of courses, language acquisition, placement exams, etc.
  At first, being taught in Swedish was very difficult but I learned so much more than I would have if the class had been taught in English.

Host University
- How large is the university? Student enrollment and approx campus size (smaller than UCSB)? Is it an urban campus with many tall buildings or just a few building?
  Lund University itself is very large but the language school I studied at, Folkuniversitet, was very small. The campus is not urban. The buildings are a few stories tall at most.

- Do the local students live on campus, at home, or off campus?
  I don’t know

- If not located in the city center,
  o How far or close is it to the city?

  o What type of public transportation could you take? cost?
    Trains and buses were available. I purchased a Summer Jojo Card when I arrived. It cost 500 kronor, roughly 80 US dollars and was well worth the cost. It gave me unlimited use of all buses and trains in the region.

  o Could students take cabs -cost?
Yes, but I never did.

- **How long would it take to get to the city center?**
  I lived about 2 minutes away from the city center but most other dorms are a bit farther than that and would be best reached by bus.

- **Are there student clubs on campus that UC students could join?**
  Yes.

- **Is there a bookstore on campus? Where did you get your books?**
  Yes. All books that I needed for the summer were supplied.

- **Is there a computer lab on campus? Or, should students bring laptops?**
  I don’t know.

- **What types of establishments are in the university’s neighborhood? (cafes, stores, etc)**
  There are lots of cafes, restaurants, and boutiques as well as larger grocery and retail stores.

**Housing**

- **What types of accommodations are available to UC students?**
  For the summer program, most students stay in Spoletorp, a student dorm. If a student is planning to extend for fall or for the year then he or she lives in a different residence hall.

- **How close are they to campus?**
  They’re all rather close. Spoletorp is especially close.

- **How did you find your housing?**
  EAP provided it.

- **Where did you live and with whom?**
  I lived on a corridor in a student housing building called Spoletorp with four other people. We all had our own individual rooms but we shared two bathrooms, a kitchen, and a common room.

- **If you lived off campus, was it difficult to find an apartment and roommate?**
  N.A.

- **Were the rooms nicer or not than I.V./UCSB dorms?**
  I thought the rooms were typically nicer.

- **Was it more expensive than living in I.V.? How much was a typical rent cost in US dollars?**
  Less expensive.

- **How/who did you pay for housing?**
  I paid EAP for my housing before I arrived.
Food
- **What was the food like?**
  Very good- there were a lot of different options.

- **Where did you eat most of your meals? Cafeterias, restaurants, street vendors, etc?**
  I mainly got my food from the grocery store and street vendors.

- **How much was an average meal?**
  It depended on what you were having but the cheapest meal I would get was falafel- It usually cost about 30 kronor which is roughly equivalent to 5 US dollars.

- **What time of day did people eat lunch/dinner?**
  Lunch was at about the same time and dinner was a little later.

- **Would it be difficult for vegetarians to find meals?**
  Not at all, I’m a vegetarian and had no trouble finding options.

Travel/Safety
- **If not discussed above, describe the public transportation system around your host university/city?**

- **Did you feel safe in your host city? Are there tips you would offer future students?**
  Yes, absolutely.

- **Describe the public transportation in your host country?**
  Public transportation in Sweden is great, very efficient. The train station in Lund is right in the center of town, very convenient and the bus system is easy to navigate as well.

- **Was it difficult/easy to travel to neighboring countries?**
  It was very easy. The Copenhagen airport is about 40 minutes away.

Host City/Country
- **What was the weather like?**
  It was comparable to summer in San Francisco or Santa Barbara. There are some sunny days but also days when it pours rain or is mostly cloudy. The temperature is very moderate.

- **Describe your host city? Which California/US city is it similar to (if any)?**
  Lund is very much a college town. Although very different in many ways, it reminded me a lot of Berkeley because it was largely deserted in the summer when college students went home.
- **What were some interesting/fun things that you did in the host city?**
  There is a botanical garden that I would often walk around. I would go to the Nations to dance and meet up with friends. Also I enjoyed going to cafes, especially Café Airman, and people watching there as well as writing about my observations.

- **How international was your host city in terms of tourism, cultural diversity, and international businesses?**
  There were certainly some tourists that passed through Lund but for the most part it felt like a college town where a lot of families lived. There was a fair amount of cultural diversity, especially represented through the different types of food available there. Since I went in the summer, there were many fewer international students than there normally are during the school year.

**Culture**
- **Describe the cultural differences that you observed/encountered.**
  - **Time & punctuality**
    It’s always good to be a few minutes early. It’s rude to be late no matter where you are.
  - **Eye contact & staring**
  - **Relationships**
  - **More formal dress in general, for women, for school, etc?**
    Yes, more formal and put together, less revealing clothes. I think I.V. teaches us to dress especially casual and skimpy because we live so close to the beach.
  - **Alcohol consumption**

- **What culture shock did you go through?**

- **Other?**

**Banking**
- **Were credit cards widely accepted?**
  Yes, but always have some cash on hand in case credit cards are not accepted. For instance, the falafel places in Lund only accept cash.

- **Did you open a local bank account? Was it easy?**
  No

- **If you did not open a local bank account, was it easy to withdraw money from the ATM? Which banks were popular & had low ATM fees?**
  Yes. There was an ATM right outside of the grocery store. You could also ask for cash back at large grocery stores. If not withdrawing money from an ATM I would go to Forex.

- **Were there ATMs on campus?**

  I don’t know