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My name is Irfan Ali TUNIO. I studied International Master's programme in Wireless Embedded Technologies (WET) at Polytech' Nantes as an international student. Prior to it, I was an Electronic Engineer with Bachelors in Electronics in Pakistan.

### **Why did you choose France and particularly Nantes for your studies?**

I chose France for all the amazing reasons France presents, like great standard of education, low tuition fees, great cuisine, hospitable people, culture, affordability, out-standing student support at all levels and, without doubt, the great history that France carries with itself.

### **Which programme did you follow at Polytech Nantes and how did you first hear about it?**

Actually, one of my friends who once did his Masters from Nantes Université advised me on all the great reasons to study there. In this context, I chose to study Electronic Systems as a programme of my aligned studies.

### **What was the most surprising for you when you first arrived in France?**

When I arrived at CDG Paris Airport, I quickly realised that it was tough to communicate in English. Since all the people that I asked to get to *Gare SNCF* were finding it hard to assist because of language barrier. But one thing stood out and was surprisingly amazing for me was that, even though, they could not understand me properly, they were there to help. One of the families finally helped me get to my seat in the train. *Oh la la !!* It was an amazing first day support from one of the hospitable family that really made my day and took away all travel fatigue.

### **What about student life at Polytech?**

Student life was full of life, along with great classroom learning. I enjoyed taking French

classes and taking part in different tours. I was not a part of any club but I regularly took part in the organisation of events conducted by university clubs. However, I enjoyed playing cricket at Nantes Cricket Club which was a recognized club. It gave me opportunities to travel with them to different parts of France and abroad. Clubs were a great source of entertainment and community service.

### **What do you do now?**

After finishing my Masters with good grades, I got an opportunity of scholarship from Pakistani Government to pursue PhD in the same subject. Eventually, a well aligned Master's programme culminated with a PhD degree from Polytech' Nantes has paved a path for me in education as Assistant Professor at QUEST University, Nawabshah, Pakistan.

### **Do you think your studies at Polytech Nantes helped you get this position?**

My graduation from Polytech' has helped me tremendously in shining my skills professionally and personally. Especially, the courses which were updated and generally market oriented.

### **What is your best memory of your time with us at Polytech Nantes?**

The time spent at Polytech' has left uncountable memories but I think the best ones are those where I was declared to have graduated my Master's and eventually culminated with being declared a Doctor. It was a great feeling at the end of the day.

### **Do you have any advice for future international students?**

I would suggest all the incomers who wish to join Polytech', to first learn basic French. Also, search out essential commodity items to bring with you which might be expensive in France.