



Student Ambassador

Even Flå Kaarmo

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“From all the places I have travelled and all the people I have met, the Canadian people are the nicest and most open people so far.”

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Evan Kaarmo from Norway was determined to be different when he picked his study abroad destination. He worked with his agent in Norway to find the best match for his interests. “I wanted to experience something new. All of my friends had chosen to go to the States. Instead of being like everyone else, I looked at the other opportunities and there was Canada - and Sea to Sky was the best by far.”

We asked Even what he liked best about his new community of Squamish. “What I like best about the community are the people in general. People will always talk about themselves, listen to what you have to say, and do their best to give you something to laugh about and make you smile.”

Even likes his new school and is fitting in well. “The school is different from what I am used to but just as good. The teachers are nice and smart in their

academic areas. The teachers will always do their best for you. The classes are small enough so you feel you’re a part of a class, not one of many. The teachers respect you and they are doing their best to make the courses as fun and instructive as possible. They are also using a good variety of teaching methods so you are not doing the same things all year.”

Even is very active and involved in community and school sports. “I am a soccer player and at school we have a lot of opportunities to play soccer both on the school team and during lunch break. If you enjoy soccer you will love it here. There are awesome opportunities to ski here at Whistler Blackcomb. And if you like shopping then Vancouver is only a bus drive away.”

We asked Even about his homestay family and how he was enjoying living in his new home. “Canadians are open.

They want you to be part of the family and not just a boarder in their home. They want to know you, do activities with you and have fun.”

We asked Even about going home at the end of the study abroad year. He said; “It will be a little sad even though it will be nice to see my parents again. After living in a town for so long it will be hard to say good-bye. But this year abroad will give me some good memories that I will remember forever.”

