

Internship Brazil - Campinas 2018



HBL, Campinas, Brasilien

On August 5, my journey to the other side of the world began for me, Marie Rico-Paletta. As part of my training, I got the opportunity to spend a three-week internship abroad at our subsidiary HAVER & BOECKER Latinoamericana (HBL) in Brazil.

The HBL team welcomed me warmly. On a plant tour on my first day, I got an overview of the company. I was personally introduced to all colleagues and got an initial insight into the different departments.

In the following weeks, I could work in the packaging and mining department. My responsibilities included writing quotations, doing research on the mining business industry across continents, and working on bag testing and analysis. For me it was very interesting that I accompanied some colleagues to a new supplier and to a cement plant of our customer, where I could see our machines and those of our subsidiaries in action.

The city of Campinas had a lot to offer: From very large shopping centers and small typical Brazilian markets over nice restaurants to beautiful theme parks. Even though I did the internship alone, I was never lonely, because the colleagues from HBL have integrated me very warmly. We did a lot together on weekends and during the week. In the short time they showed me everything that is typical Brazilian. So I was able to take great impressions back to Germany. After the three weeks of my internship, it was hard for me to say goodbye to my new friends.

I thank you very much for this unforgettable time, which has helped me develop both professionally and personally. The three weeks passed way too fast for me and I hope that a reunion is not too far away. For the support I would like to thank also my colleagues in Germany, who have organized everything and were always at my side when it came to questions, and of course thank you to the management, which offers this experience to us apprentices.

"Obrigado por tudo" (Thank you for everything)
Marie Rico-Paletta