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According to Dr. Meissner, his studies and dissertation at HHL prepared him well for his current position. "I learned a lot from the outstanding lecturers and professors, gained new perspectives during my time abroad and, most importantly, met classmates who have become good friends of mine."

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