

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT

UNIVERSIDAD ADOLFO IBÁÑEZ / SANTIAGO · VIÑA DEL MAR / CHILE



WELCOME

Over the last ten years, we have been working with our partner universities in both regular exchange programs as well as featured programs, offering courses of diverse topics and organizing cultural and athletic activities for our international students. Our goal is to support their advance, increase their skills of the Spanish language and foster friendship with Chilean students. All of these are the fundamental buildings blocks to have an unforgettable experience living in Chile.

The key to achieving successful results has been a close and permanent relationship with our students and colleagues abroad, based on commitment and strong support. This is made possible due to the hard work of a dedicated faculty who invests an incredible amount of energy to share their passion for international education with students, as well as offering academically well-matched immersive study abroad programs that focus on quality, safety, diversity and accessibility.

I believe that our international students will benefit from the high-level education and vigorous tradition of the Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez. Meanwhile, I suggest that students make the university their home, establishing open communication and learning with faculty and fellow students.

I wish you great success studying at UAI. Sincerely,

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Gerardo Vidal G. Director Relaciones Internacionales Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez







CHILE

CHILE is one of the most interesting countries of Latin America in terms of professional activities and tourism. A solid economy and spectacular landscapes make the country an exceptional place for living and traveling.

Placed in South America, our country occupies a long, narrow strip of land between the Andes Mountains to the east and the Pacific Ocean to the west. The population reaches the 16.5 million people.

Chile celebrates its Independence Day every September 18th, commemorating the Primera Junta Nacional de Gobierno of 1810. The official language is the Spanish and the traditional dance is the "cueca".

The weather in Chile has great variety: the north is hot and dry (desert), the center has a mediterranean climate and the south is cold and rainy (forest). Mild tremors are very common and every twenty years we have an earthquake. Our main industry is the extracting of copper, but we are also worldwide known for our high quality wines and salmon production.

Chileans are very friendly, yet also reserved. In comparison with other Latin American countries, ours have a more european way of life, we are kind of shut-in persons. This might be explained by our spanish, english and german foundational inmigration. You will see a lot of european influence in our arquitecture and culture. But we are still Latin Americans and we used to hug and (one) kiss other persons to say hello and goodbye.

Our indigenous cultural background is the Mapuche people. They have a very strong character and they are incredibly persistent persons, great warriors. Their typical sport is the "palín" or "chueca", and their language is the "mapudungun" (which means "the speech of the earth"). Many cities and towns of Chile have names in this language, with several interesting meanings. For example, Pucón means "the entrance of the mountains".





SANTIAGO

SANTIAGO is located in the center of Chile, 30 minutes (taking a bus) away from the Chilean main airport "Arturo Merino Benítez". It's the home to almost one-third of the country's population, with more than six million people.

The capital city is very modern and is located at the foot of the Andes Mountains, 100 kms from the Pacific Ocean coast, where Viña del Mar is located. It is the main business and political region of the country. At some point, Santiago will be a fully crowded and a polluted place for you; the best option to move around the city is always taking the subway.

Here you will be able to ski in the Andes Mountains during the winter and also go to beautiful parks in summer, such as Cajón del Maipo. Even more, you might practice different sports, have fun in several pubs at night and visit interesting urban parks and museums, such as: the Presidential Palace, Plaza de Armas, Mercado Central, Museo de Bellas Artes, Museo Histórico, Biblioteca Nacional, Cerro San Cristóbal, Barrio Bellavista, Casa La Chascona (Neruda's house), Los Dominicos and Parque Bicentenario.









VIÑA DEL MAR

VIÑA DEL MAR is located on the coast of the Pacific Ocean offering nice beaches, delicious seafood and a wide range of hotels and modern facilities.

The city is very safe and homely, a great place for living, having 300.000 habitants and holding several universities and educational institutions, which is one of the reasons why it has become a Student region, along with Valparaíso.

The "Garden City" has interesting touristic points, such as: the Presidential House (Cerro Castillo), the Quinta Vergara, the Botanic Garden, the Casino and the famous Flower Clock. Also, Viña del Mar is next to Reñaca and Concón, where you can do fun activities: surf, sandboard, horseback riding, scuba diving, among others. Every year on February, the city appears on the map when the most traditional music festival in Latin America takes place.









VALPARAÍSO

VALPARAÍSO is the most famous port of our country, located next to Viña del Mar, connected with this city by train. It is the cultural capital of Chile, where you might participate in one of the most spectacular New Year's Eve celebration, watching great fireworks all over the seacoast. With its captivating colorful houses and the funiculars connecting the hills with the coast, Valparaíso is considered a World Heritage Site by UNESCO.

Having 300.000 habitants, the city hosts the National Congress and the Navy of Chile. Even Valparaíso is no longer the main commercial port of Chile, still has a lot of business life holding private ship companies, several lawyer offices and banks, all occupying beautiful buildings with XIX century European style.

La "Joya del Pacífico" is famous for receiving and enchanting artists from all over the World. Painters, sculptures, musicians and poets provide a unique artistic life, mixed with a bohemian atmosphere, turning the city into an unforgettable place, especially in summer when the Carnavales Culturales take place.

Taking a thirty minutes boat ride by the sea, at Plaza Sotomayor, will be an interesting experience. You might then walk up to Cerro Alegre and visit the Palacio Baburizza (Museo de Bellas Artes), with a spectacular view from the Paseo Yugoslavo. There you will have lunch at exquisite restaurants, before visiting La Sebastiana (Neruda's house) in Cerro Florida. The Museo Naval might be another interesting visit, taking the funicular Artillería to get to the Mirador 21 de Mayo. After that you can visit the Chilean battleships at the Molo, and the return home taking a traditional Trolley.









UNIVERSIDAD ADOLFO IBÁÑEZ

UNIVERSIDAD ADOLFO IBÁÑEZ was initially the Escuela de Negocios de Valparaíso, founded in 1953 by PEDRO IBÁÑEZ OJEDA (honoring his father Adolfo Ibáñez Boggiano), being the first business school in Chile and Latin America. UAI became an autonomous university in 1988. At present time, it is a renowned institution with 6.300 undergraduate and 2.000 graduate students.

RANKINGS AND ACCREDITATIONS

- » #3 Business School in Latin America | 2014 (América Economía)
- » #601-650 | QS World University Rankings 2014
- » Member of the Association of MBAs
- » Accredited by AACSB
- » Member of the Global Alliance in Management Education | CEMS
- » 3rd choice among top scorers of the PSU (national university entrance exam) | 2014



SCHOOLS AND FACULTIES

Business | Engineering | Laws | Journalism | Psychology | Government | Liberal Arts

UAI CAMPUS VIÑA DEL MAR is located up the hill at Altos del Sporting, with a great view to the Pacific Ocean and the city. It receives around 2.100 undergraduate students.

UAI CAMPUS PEÑALOLÉN (SANTIAGO) is located in the south-east area of the capital city, sprawling over nearly 250 acres at the foothills of the Andes. It receives around 4.200 undergraduate students and 2.000 graduate students.

UAI Campuses were designed by JOSÉ CRUZ, winner of the National Architecture Prize in 2012. The campuses are equipped with the best audiovisual resources and network connections. LIBRARIES include study rooms and first-class infrastructure that meets the highest international standards. Also, students will be able to use fully equipped GYMS AND AEROBIC ROOMS for doing exercises and physical training programs.







UAI STUDY ABROAD OFFICE receives 250 international students each year from more than 90 universities of different countries around the world.

EUROPE	BELGIUM	Université Catholique de Louvain
	DENMARK	Copenhagen Business School
	FINLAND	Aalto University
	GERMANY	Freie Universität Berlin Universität Münster Universität Osnabrück WHU School of Management
	PORTUGAL	Universidade Católica Portuguesa
	SWEDEN	Linköping University
	ITALY	LUISS Guido Carli University Universitá Commerciale Luigi Bocconi
	NETHERLANDS	Tilburg University
	NORWAY	BI Norwegian Business School
	FRANCE	EDHEC Business School Sciences Po Paris Université Paris-Dauphine HEC Paris
	UK	University of Strathclyde University of Kent University of Exeter
	SWITZERLAND	Universität St. Gallen Universität Zürich
	SPAIN	Universidad Autónoma de Madrid Universidad de Deusto Universidad el País Vasco
		Universitat Pompeu Fabra Barcelona Universidad Instituto de Empresa
ASIA	KOREA	Kyung Hee University
	SINGAPORE	Singapore Management University
AMERICA	CANADA	Carleton University HEC Montréal Business School Université Laval York Université
	MEXICO	Instituto Tecnológico de Monterrey
	USA	Arizona State University American University Washington DC Emory University The University of Montana
		Texas State University Olin College Babson College
AUSTRALIA	AUSTRALIA	Macquarie University Queensland University of Technology University of Melbourne
		University of Technology Sydney



ACADEMICS

4 years of Major and Minor (Campus Viña del Mar or Campus Peñalolén, Santiago) + 1 year of Specialty (only Campus Peñalolén, Santiago)

GRADING SCALE

In general, the grading scale used in Chile goes from 1,0 (minimum) to 7,0 (maximum), being 4,0 the passing grade.

PREGRADO COURSES

International students might enroll courses from any of the schools and faculties of UAI. All schools include courses of Liberal Arts and Government.

Business School | Faculty of Engineering | Law School | School of Journalism | School of Psychology

SPECIALLY DESIGNED COURSES | CAMPUS VIÑA DEL MAR

These courses are taught only in Campus Viña del Mar and have limited vacancies for international exchange students.

Latin American Business (courses taught in English) | Latin American History (courses taught in English) | Spanish Language

CERTIFICATE IN LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

International students might request the certificate after their studies in UAI. It might include a mention in Latin American Business or Latin American History and Culture.

DELE (DIPLOMAS DE ESPAÑOL COMO LENGUA EXTRANJERA) | CAMPUS VIÑA DEL MAR

UAI is an official institution for DELE examination of the Instituto Cervantes. Any student of UAI or other universities might enroll in order to take the exam at the Campus Viña del Mar.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

For more information about courses, academics and the semester calendar visit the UAI website or contact the staff of Relaciones Internacionales.





INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

SPANISH LANGUAGE TEST

UAI does not require a test of proficiency in Spanish language, but strongly recommends Level C1 according to the CEFR.

OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING

UAI does not offer accommodation on campus, but the university gives all needed support in order to find good housing options.

ESTIMATED COST OF LIVING IN CHILE (USD PER MONTH)

Rental of an apartment: 450 // Laundry:50 // Food: 200 // Books and materials: 100 // Transportation: 100 Mobile: 50 // Entertainment: 250 // Others: 100 ESTIMATED TOTAL: 1.300

HEALTH INSURANCE

Students are responsible for obtaining appropriate Health Insurance that covers their time in Chile. During the orientation session, UAI shares information about medical centers and emergency numbers.

STUDENT VISA

Student Visa is mandatory for all international students in Chile. The original UAI acceptance letter is requested in order to obtain the visa at the Chilean consulate. Once in Chile, students must complete the procedure following the indications given during the orientation session.

BUDDIES

UAI designates a group of Chilean students as Buddies, in order to help foreign students with their first experience in Chile.

ACTIVITIES AT THE UNIVERSITY

International students have full access to the facilities of the campuses and they have the same benefits as the Chilean students, having the option to participate in all activities organized by them.





INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

HOW TO APPLY TO UAI

In order to apply for study at UAI exchange students must confirm the application procedures with their universities of origin. After that, universities inform the list of nominated students to UAI and the filling of an application form will be required (online).

(Direct Enroll) Students from non-partner universities must contact the staff of Relaciones Internacionales in order to receive information about application terms and tuition fee.

UAI ORIENTATION

At the beginning of the semester international students will be welcomed to UAI with an orientation session. During this activity, students will receive fundamental information about the campus, academics, what to do in cases of emergency, closing student visa procedures and the life in Chile.

UAI BUSES

The university offers a free bus service in order to approach from the city to the respective UAI campus. Information about bus stops and schedules is given during the orientation session.

UAI ACADEMIC APPS

Students accepted to study at UAI will receive an @alumnos.uai.cl email in the orientation session. Also, they will be informed about INTRANET (application where students will be able to check their schedule of classes and make reservations for fitness at the gym) and WEBCURSOS (application where professors share information and files with the students of their respective courses).

BUS PASS

UAI supports students in order to obtain a bus pass that will grant a discount when using public transportation.

TRANSCRIPTS

Transcripts with final grades are sent by postal mail to the universities of the students, around two weeks after the semester end.









LIFE IN CHILE

THE WEATHER IN THE CENTER OF CHILE

The center of Chile has a Mediterranean climate. Santiago and Viña del Mar have a very similar weather, although Santiago might be colder during the winter (8°C / 46°F average) and warmer in the summer (27°C / 81°F average). Wear a good jacket and the winter will be quite bearable.

HOW TO ARRIVE TO SANTIAGO OR VIÑA DEL MAR FROM THE AIRPORT

Once you clear customs at the Santiago Airport, go to the first floor and find the ground transportation area. Take the CENTROPUERTO bus (blue colored) to the PAJARITOS metro station. Buses from the airport run every 15 minutes and tickets are purchased on board for 1.500 CLP (cash).

At Pajaritos metro station you might take direction to Santiago or Viña del Mar:

• Take the metro entrance LOS DOMÍNICOS if you wish going to Santiago. The ticket costs around 800 CLP. The metro goes through the entire city, be attentive to your exit station.

• Find the ticket window for either Tur-Bus or Pullman Bus to purchase the ticket to Viña del Mar (approximately 5.000 CLP). Buses depart for Viña del Mar every 30-45 minutes and the ride is about 1 1/2 hours.

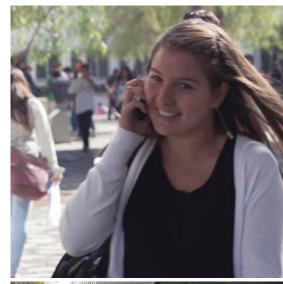
CASH, CREDIT CARDS AND MOBILE

ATMs are very easy to find in Chile. Usually international banks charge fees for each withdrawal. Confirm the fee amount and general conditions of getting cash from ATMs in Chile with your bank. Credit cards are accepted in most hotels, stores and restaurants.

Purchasing a mobile is very easy and cheap. Go to a retail store in the mall and buy a PREPAGO cellphone for approximately 20.000 CLP.

TRYING TO FIT INTO A NEW CULTURE

When a person studies abroad for the first time is very common to experience a "cultural shock": feeling several emotions before understanding a new culture. It is possible to identify four consecutive emotional stages: 1. Honey moon: everything is new and fun; we have no worries at all. 2. Shock: we feel disappointment and stress when we realize about the differences with our culture of origin. 3. Negotiation: we learn how to handle problems. 4. Acceptance: we understand the new culture and appreciate to be part of it for a while. TIPS TO HANDLE THE CULTURAL SHOCK: practice sports and do volunteer work; be optimist; have a lot of patience; improve your Spanish language.







LIFE IN CHILE

TIPICAL CHILEAN FOOD

During your trip to Chile you will discover much new and distinctly native food. Make sure you try some of the traditional cuisine such as cazuelas, completos (Chilean hotdogs), mariscos or mote con huesillo. FOOD YOU MUST TRY IN CHILE: asados, seafood, empanadas, pebre, porotos con rienda, sopaipillas, charquicán, chorrillanas, curanto, arrollado de huaso, palta, chirimoya, leche asada.

PLACES TO VISIT

Take advantage of the opportunity to visit the beautiful landscapes that Chile offers: the very arid desert in the north or the rainy forests of the south. Also visit other South American destinations, such as Lima or Machu Pichu (Perú), Mendoza or Buenos Aires (Argentina) and Rio de Janeiro (Brazil). CHILEAN PLACES YOU SHOULD VISIT: San Pedro de Atacama, Valle del Elqui, Valle de Casablanca (Ruta del Vino), Isla Negra (Neruda's house), Pomaire, Cajón del Maipo, Cordillera de los Andes, Isla de Pascua, Pucón, Puerto Varas, Frutillar, Chiloé, Torres del Paine, Antártica.

GOING TO A SOCCER MATCH

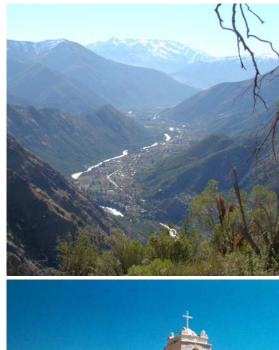
Soccer is the most popular sport in Latin America including Chile. You should not pass up on the opportunity to go to a soccer game to support the Chilean national team and experience the passion of soccer that this part of the world has to offer.

CELEBRATING THE INDEPENDENCE DAY

Every September 18th Chile celebrates their Independence Day. The festivities include many rodeos, kite flying and cueca dancing. It is a time for friends and family to enjoy and celebrate together with traditional food such as empanadas, anticuchos and asados.

WHAT TO DO IN CASE OF A TREMOR

Mild tremors are common in Chile; they last around 10-15 seconds and there is nothing to worry about. In case the tremor increases its intensity, follow these instructions: if you are indoors don't leave unless the structure is very old and fragile. Place yourself in a safe location, such as under solid furniture. If you are outdoors stay away from buildings, trees and electric cables. After the tremor communicate with the persons close to you.









LINKS

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http://www.uai.cl/relaciones-internacionales Go to: International Students UAI Relaciones Internacionales website: Video about UAI Campus Peñalolén, Santiago http://vimeo.com/50608182 http://vimeo.com/50761866 Video about UAI Campus Viña del Mar Facebook of UAI Incoming Students https://www.facebook.com/uai.incomingstudents http://www.thisischile.cl/ Information about Chile (1) http://chile.travel/en/ Information about Chile (2) Information about Chile (3) (Spanish) http://www.imagendechile.cl/ http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=UEISU21oRro Video about Chile (1) (BEN OMAN, at UAI - 2012) Video about Chile (2) http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gHm-ULMAd-U http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UIYc1AXg3Fg Video about Chile (3) Video about Chile (4) http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LKsq9RhqZ98&feature=youtube_gdata_player http://www.youtube.com/watch?v= IZLjCml2zA Video of testimonies about Chile http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=De1Yo2brVVk&feature=player_embedded Video of testimonies about Santiago Information about Viña del Mar (Spanish) http://www.vinadelmar.cl/?seccion=lugares http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Smrz0CeHOKM&feature=player embedded Video of testimonies about Viña del Mar Information about Valparaíso http://www.ciudaddevalparaiso.cl/inicio/index.php http://www.estudiaenvalparaiso.com/english/ Information about studies in Valparaíso http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LKCgRHpQxP0&feature=player_embedded Video of testimonies about Valparaíso Video of testimonies about Valparaíso and Viña del Mar http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=YPSgueowwyQ







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