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Universidad del Pacífico

Universidad del Pacífico (UP) is a private university established in 1962 by a group of Peruvian entrepreneurs supported by the Society of Jesus. It is specialized in the areas of economics and business. UP has been ranked as the most prestigious higher education institution in its fields of specialization in Peru, and among the leading institutions of its kind in the Latin American region.

We currently have approximately:

4500 undergraduate students
1400 in graduate programs

We are the first Peruvian university accredited by AACSB in undergraduate programs, as well as being accredited by AMBA in graduate programs.
Important: our semesters consist of 16 weeks. Out of those, 14 weeks correspond to classes; one week for the mid-terms exams and another one for final exams.

Please note:
Classes are expected to be offered in a blended mode, meaning a combination of in-person, face-to-face instruction and instructor led virtual classes with mandatory synchronous attendance.

International students must be vaccinated and hold a student visa in order to participate in Spring and Fall 2023 intakes.

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Required application and visa application documents

Students who have been nominated by their home universities to study at Universidad del Pacífico as exchange students will receive detailed instructions to start the application and visa application process.

**For application:**

- **Official Transcripts:** academic record with the heading, stamp, or signature of the home institution.
- **Proof of funds:** bank statement or letter issued by the bank indicating a minimum of USD 3,500.00 (considering USD 700.00 per month of stay in Peru).
- **International health insurance certificate.**
- **Proof of language proficiency** (Spanish, English or both).

**For visa:**

- **Proof of vaccination:** according to Peruvian regulations, 3 doses of covid 19 vaccine are required to access public establishments. All vaccines approved by the WHO, World Health Organization, will be accepted.
- **Photo of the passport data page.**
- **Flight ticket** (round-trip ticket)
Languages of instruction

Languages of instruction at UP are Spanish and English. Most of the courses during the semester at Universidad del Pacífico are taught in Spanish, however, courses taught fully in English are included in the academic offer each semester. Students can take courses in English only, Spanish only or both according to their proficiency and preferences.

Language Requirements:

For courses taught in Spanish, non-native speaking students, are required to submit a certificate of proficiency in Spanish of at least B2 level. For Finance and Economics courses, the minimum level required is C1.

For courses taught in English, non-native English speaking students, are required to submit a certificate of proficiency in English of at least B2 level (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) for undergraduate courses and C1 for graduate courses.

In both cases the certificate should not overpass two years from the date of issue.

If the student plans to take graduate level courses, it is mandatory to prove a C1 level proficiency of Spanish. These courses are offered in modules, fully in Spanish and classes are also offered on weekends.

Intensive Spanish language courses:

For an additional fee, Elemental, Intermediate and Advanced Level Spanish Courses for exchange students are available at our Language Center. These courses are offered starting 3 weeks prior to the beginning of the semester. After being nominated, students will receive information about the possibility of taking these courses and conditions.
Universidad del Pacífico offers courses in the following fields: Accounting, Business Administration, Marketing, International Business, Business Engineering, Information Engineering, Economics, Finance and Law. Some courses have prerequisites that must be met before students can enroll in them. To take courses from the Economics or Finance academic departments, students must prove a C1 level proficiency in the language of instruction, Spanish or English.

The final list of courses will be available one or two weeks before the semester starts. Undergraduate program study plans and course descriptions will be available on our website: http://incoming.up.edu.pe

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A full-time study program consists of 200 to 246 credits. Most courses are worth 4 credits. Each UP credit is equivalent to 14 hours (4 hours of classes per week during 14 weeks of classes). Therefore, a 4-credit course represents 56 hours of classes during one semester.

The workload per semester averages about 16 to 20 credits. The minimum suggested workload for an exchange student is 12 credits.

Grading System: In the Peruvian higher education system, grades go from 0 to 20, 20 being the highest grade and 11 the minimum passing grade.
2. Coming to Peru: What to know

Housing options

Universidad del Pacífico does not have students dormitories. However, the International Relations Office provides information about suggested accommodation for exchange students in student residencies (private student dorms), family homes or flats for rent (apartments) in the city.

Visa

Applying for an exchange student visa is mandatory for all incoming students. Each student will need to gather the documentation previously indicated and submit it in the visa application portal. Each application will be sent to The Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Peru. Once the visa is approved, students will receive a confirmation e-mail. This process takes up to 6 weeks.

Health Insurance

It is mandatory for all incoming students to have a full coverage health insurance during their whole stay in Peru.

Estimated cost of living

Accommodation: USD 300-400/month (shared).
Photocopying, books and others: around USD 100/semester.
Food, transportation: USD 300-450/month

3. Summer Programs

These programs last around 2 weeks and students can choose among courses taught in Spanish and English as well as Spanish Language courses. Summer programs are offered in Lima and some courses may include a short trip.

4. Tailor Made Programs

Universidad del Pacífico offers a variety of choices for study trips in Peru to groups of students, faculty and stay. For 2 o 3 weeks participants will have the opportunity to live the local experience and receive specialized lectures in English by UP faculty. Our professors are recognized academic, responsible leaders in their respective fields, committed to advancing excellence in teaching and research.

The program includes lectures, visits to multinational corporations based in Peru and NGO’s. The participants will be integrated into the Peruvian culture through dance, cuisine and language.

It is necessary to have at least 8 participants enrolled in the program. Likewise, the programs may be organized at any time of the year to accommodate visitors’ needs.
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