

Brazil is the fifth largest country in the world and one of the most culturally diverse countries of Latin America. Bordering on all but two of the countries in South America, Brazil's territory extends over nearly half of the continent. São Paulo, home to some 18 million people, is an exciting and vibrant metropolis. Salvador da Bahia is the northeast is the capital of a region that celebrates the country's connections to its African heritage and offers a chance to enjoy the music and dance which make Brazil's culture so rich. Porto Alegre is one of the wealthiest and most diverse cities in Latin America and Rio is a city whose reputation precedes it.

PONTIFÍCIA UNIVERSIDADE CATÓLICA DO RIO DE JANEIRO

*Undergraduate Program
Semester and Year Programs*

The Pontificia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro, or PUC Rio, was established as the first private university in Brazil in 1941. Boasting an academic tradition of idealism, consistence and excellence, the institution has it been committed to high-quality teaching, applied research and scientific development since its founding. Today, PUC Rio, has a total enrollement of nearly 20,000 students. The university campus is located in Gavea, a charming neighborhood near the forest and beach. Besides the mandatory Portuguese as a Second Language Course, students will enroll directly with Brazilian students.

www.puc-rio.br/

Academic Areas

Fine Arts	Languages & Literature
Education	Natural Sciences
Engineering	Computer Science
Social Sciences	Communications
Economics	Geography & History
International Relations	Business & Marketing

New! Students can now take academic courses in English in some of the above subjects and learn Portuguese at PUC-Rio.

Room and Board

Students are encouraged to live with a homestay arranged by PUC-Rio.

PONTIFÍCIA UNIVERSIDADE CATÓLICA DO RIO GRANDE DO SUL - Porto Alegre

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Semester and Year Programs*

The Pontificia Universidade Católica do Rio Grande do Sul (PUCRS) – with nearly 28, 000 undergraduate students - is one of the most distinguished institutions of higher education in Brazil. The main campus is in Porto Alegre, the capital city of Brazil's southernmost state of Rio Grande do Sul. This situates the university in the strategic geographical center for development of Mercosur, the common market made up by Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay and

Brazil. Porto Alegre is characterized by its sprawling green areas, the dazzling sunset over the Guíaba estuary and the hospitality of the Gauchos, as the locals are called.

www.pucrs.br

Academic Areas

Business & Economics	Psychology
Architecture/Engineering	Computer Science
Natural Sciences	Education
Communications	Social Sciences
Geography & History	Languages & Literature

Room and Board

The PUCRS International Office provides exchange students with a list of housing options.

COUNCIL STUDY CENTERS, SÃO PAULO or SALVADOR DA BAHIA

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This program is administered by the Council on International Educational Exchange. For details on the program, students should visit: www.ciee.org/study/latinamerica/brazil/

The Pontificia Universidade Católica de São Paulo was founded in 1946 and has over 20,000 students enrolled. It is considered to be one of the best universities in Brazil. PUC is located in a residential area called Perdizes, near downtown and with good access to public transportation.

Participants must enroll in a 5-week Portuguese language and Brazilian culture seminar intended to bring exchange students language abilities up to standards for the start of the semester. Students also have the option of studying in Salvador da Bahia at either the Universidade Federal da Bahia or the Universidade Católica do Salvador. Study in Bahia is of particular interest to those students interested in Afro-Brazilian culture.

Academic Areas

Psychology & Sociology	Political Science
Geography & History	Language & Literature
Social & Natural Sciences	Fine Arts

Room and Board

During the five-week intensive language and culture program, students are placed in Brazilian home stays. For the remaining months of the program, students

continue living in Brazilian homes. The room and board costs will be charged to UM students in addition to regular semester UM tuition costs.

Program Dates

Fall: Mid-June to early December

Spring: Late January to late June

** The Brazilian academic year begins in March. These dates include the mandatory 5-week intensive Portuguese course and Contemporary Brazil seminar.*

GENERAL INFORMATION

Application Deadlines

Fall: March 1

Spring: September 1

Program Dates (unless otherwise specified)

Fall: August to December

Spring: February/March to late July

Travel Arrangements

Students are responsible for making their own travel arrangements.

Prerequisites

Council Programs - Overall GPA 2.75. Two years of college-level Portuguese or one year each of Portuguese and Spanish. Only UM degree-seeking students may apply to this program.

All other programs - Overall GPA 3.0. Fluency or advanced skills in Portuguese language. UM students should have taken through at least the first 300-level Portuguese language course prior to participation (except those taking PUC-Rio courses in English)

Academic Credit

Students are registered at the University of Miami and earn 12-18 undergraduate credits per semester for all approved courses. Upon completion of the courses overseas, a transcript from the overseas university will be sent to the IEEP office. The grades and credits will be converted to UM grades and credits according to the Grading Scale established by International Admission. The course titles, grades, and credits will be reported to the Registrar and placed on your UM transcript. Non-UM students will receive a UM transcript, and one will be sent to the Registrar of your home university.

Financial Aid

Most forms for University of Miami financial aid are available to UM students studying abroad. Students receiving financial aid from other institutions should contact their financial aid office to determine if the aid is transferable. Students should also check the study abroad website for other scholarships that may be

applicable for their study abroad program:
www.miami.edu/studyabroad.

Passport and Visa

A valid passport is required for travel abroad. Students should inquire at the U.S. Passport Agency in their city or contact their local U.S. Post Office for information.

	Semester	Year
UM Tuition	\$17,103	\$34,206
Room and board	\$3,100	\$6,200
UM Health Insurance	\$650	\$1,300
Books and supplies	\$300	\$600
IEEP Fee	\$ 150	\$300
TOTAL	\$21,303	\$42,606

Student visa information will be provided upon acceptance.

Estimated Expenses*

** All expense information is based on our best estimates. UM tuition is based on 2008-2009 rates.*

Personal expenses such as food, laundry, entertainment, and local transportation are approximately \$1,500 per semester above those expenses listed above. Additional student expenses will vary according to individual spending habits and travel. Expenses also may vary depending on the rate of exchange at the time of study.

Requirements

- Completed application, signed by your academic advisor and essay
- Two faculty recommendations
- Foreign Language Evaluation Form
- Official transcript
- Personal interview
- \$500 nonrefundable deposit is due upon



acceptance (deducted from program cost)

Medical Insurance

Participants are required to secure health insurance to provide adequate coverage for any injuries and/or illnesses that they may sustain or experience while participating in the program, including coverage for medical evacuation and repatriation of remains.

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