

Mexico borders the U.S. to the north and Central America to the south. Its geography and climate vary tremendously from the dry plains and Copper Canyon of the north to the tropical rainforests where Mayan civilizations flourished in centuries past. The nation's capital is one of the heaviest populated cities in the world and offers students the opportunity to experience modern Mexican society and its links to the past at some of the best museums in the Americas. Puebla is located in one of the most historic cities in the Americas.

UNIVERSIDAD DE LAS AMERICAS

Puebla

Semester and Year Programs

The main campus of the Universidad de las Americas is a lovely self-contained setting, located between Puebla and Cholula, about an hour and a half from Mexico City. The UDLA is one of the most prestigious private universities in Mexico and enjoys recognition on an international level. With an enrollment of approximately 8500 students, UDLA, Puebla strives to have an optimum size and diversity of its student body. Students interested in an in-depth study of Latin America and enhancing their Spanish language skills may attend for a semester or a full year exchange program.

Most courses are taught in Spanish. The international office suggests enrollment in featured courses in a variety of disciplines. There are some courses in business, economics, international relations, and mechanical engineering that are taught in English.

www.udlap.mx

Academic Areas

Arts and Humanities	Business Administration
Engineering	Natural Sciences
Social Sciences	

Prerequisites

Minimum GPA 3.0. Fluency or advanced skills in Spanish language. UM students should have taken through at least SPA 214 (or the equivalent course) prior to participation.

Room and Board

Participants may live with host families or be placed on campus within UDLA's residential colleges.

Program Dates

Fall: Early August to early December
Spring: Early January to mid-May

UNIVERSIDAD IBEROAMERICANA

Mexico City or Puebla

Semester and Year Programs

The main campus of the Universidad Iberoamericana is located in the Santa Fe suburbs of Mexico City. A private institution founded in 1943, Ibero offers a variety of degree programs in various academic disciplines. Students interested in an in-depth

study of Latin America and enhancing their Spanish language skills may attend for a semester, full year, or six-week summer program.

Mexico City and its surroundings will open your eyes to the historical treasures of ancient Aztec civilizations. UM exchange students may study at either UIA's main campus in D.F. or its regional campus in Puebla, two hours from Mexico City. All courses are taught in Spanish with the exception of some courses that focus on Mexican area studies that are geared to study abroad students and are offered in English.

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Academic Areas

Anthropology	Geography
Art	History
Archeology	International Studies
Business Administration	Political Science
Economics	Social Science
Geology	Philosophy
Latin American Studies	Psychology
Spanish Language Studies	Religion

Prerequisites

Two years of college-level Spanish or equivalent Spanish proficiency (UM students should have taken SPA 212 or the equivalent course before participation.)

Room and Board

Participants may live with families or make their own arrangements. The international office at UIA can place students with host families.

Program Dates

Fall: Early August to early December
Spring: Early January to mid-May

CENTRO DE INVESTIGACIONES Y DOCENCIA ECONOMICAS (CIDE)

Mexico City, D.F.

Undergraduate and Graduate Programs Semester and Year Programs

The Centro de Investigaciones y Docencia Economica (CIDE) is a center for advanced research in economics and social sciences with both undergraduate and graduate programs in economics, public administration, and international studies. In addition to offering courses in these areas, its extensive faculty and research staff is at the forefront of publishing research

articles and studies that have an impact on policies and development strategies for Mexico and this fascinating region.

With this dual focus that combines teaching and research, CIDE's faculty offer exchange students the chance to learn from some of the leading experts in these important fields in the social sciences. All coursework is conducted in Spanish, so students must have a high level of fluency in the language. The CIDE is located adjacent to the campus of Iberoamericana in the Santa Fe suburb of the Distrito Federal.

www.cide.mx

Academic Areas

Economics Political Science
International Studies Public Administration

Prerequisites

Minimum GPA 3.0. Fluency or advanced skills in Spanish language. UM students should have taken through at least SPA 214 (or the equivalent course) prior to participation.

Room and Board

Participants may live with families or make their own arrangements.

Program Dates

Fall: Late August to early December
Spring: Early January to mid-May

GENERAL INFORMATION

Estimated Expenses

	Semester	Year
UM Tuition	\$17,103	\$34,206
Room and Board	\$3,000	\$6,000
Books and Supplies	\$300	\$600
Health Insurance	\$650	\$1,300
IIEEP Fee	\$150	\$300
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	\$21,203	\$42,406

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

Application Deadlines

Fall or Year: March 1
Spring: October 1

Requirements

- Completed application, signed by your academic advisor, and essay

- Two faculty recommendations
- Official transcript
- Foreign language evaluation form
- Personal or telephone interview
- \$500 nonrefundable deposit is due upon acceptance (deducted from program cost)

Academic Credit

Students are registered at the University of Miami and earn 12-18 undergraduate or credits per semester for all approved courses. Upon completion of the courses overseas, a transcript from the overseas university will be sent to the IIEEP 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.

Personal Expenses

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.

Travel Arrangements

Students are responsible for making their own travel arrangements.

Financial Aid

Most forms for University of Miami financial aid are available to UM students studying abroad. Students should also check the study abroad website for other scholarships that may be applicable for their study abroad program: www.miami.edu/studyabroad.

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.

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.



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