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ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Semester 1 (March–July 2024)

Preferred arrival date
One week before the start of classes
Orientation Sessions
Week of Monday, February 26
Classes begin
Monday, March 4
Classes end
Saturday, June 22
Examination period
Monday, June 24 – Saturday
August 3, 2024
Semester 2 (August-December 2024)

Preferred arrival date
Orientation Sessions
Classes begin
Classes finish
Examination period

One week before the start of classes
Week of Monday, July 29
Monday, August 5, 2024
Saturday, November 16, 2024
Monday, November 18
Friday, December 28, 2024

APPLICATION PROCESS

Partner universities must nominate students one month before the application deadlines with the following information: Name, Date of Birth, Field of study/Major, Citizenship, Academic Average (clarify scale)

Nomination Deadline
Semester 1 (March-July 2024):
October 15, 2023
Semester 2 (August-December 2024):
April 15, 2024

Application Deadline
Semester 1 (March-July 2024):
November 15, 2023
Semester 2 (August-December 2024):
May 15, 2024

REQUIREMENTS FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

- Be at least 18 years old
- Be enrolled at least in the second year of undergraduate studies at the home university
- 3.0 GPA or more (on a 4.0 scale) and good standing at home university
- Prior coursework related to intended studies at the Universidad de Montevideo

Online Application

After receiving nominations from the partner universities, the UM International Office will send the students the instructions to apply entirely online. Students will be able to upload the required documents and their stay preferences.

Meeting the admission requirements set out by the University does not guarantee admission of prospective exchange students. Therefore, we recommend applicants not to buy flight tickets before receiving the acceptance letter.
Information about academic programs is provided at www.um.edu.uy/international

**Grading system**
The grading scale goes from 1-12; 6 and above is a passing grade.
One (1) UM credit is equivalent to 10 class hours.
In order to pass and receive credit for a course, students should:

1. Have a minimum class attendance of 75%.
2. Obtain a minimum grade of six (6) for the course, which includes midterm papers, oral presentations, and class participation.
3. Pass the final examination with at least six (6).

**Course Information**
International students must take at least 18 UM credits during the semester.
At the UM, regular students generally take thirty (30) to thirty-five (35) credits per semester.
International students usually take eighteen (18) to twenty-five (25) UM credits per semester.

**Language of instruction**
At UM, courses are mainly taught in Spanish. Some schools offer courses, seminars, and programs in English, mainly in the semester August–December.

**Language requirements**
A B2 or C1 level from the Common European Framework of References for Languages (CEFR) is required to attend courses in Spanish. A C1/C2 level is required to take courses in the Translation and Interpretation Degree as well as Portuguese language courses.
Non-Spanish speaking students must take a placement Spanish test upon arrival. The UM has an agreement with International House in Montevideo which offers a discount for students from partner universities who want to take Spanish courses. These courses can lead to a number of UM credits but are not included in the exchange agreement and are on a fee-paying basis.
Students coming to Uruguay should know basic Spanish in order to interact comfortably on a day to day basis.

“As UM students, international students can take final exams in 3 examination periods on site. They have to pass the exam before returning to their countries within the examination period. Students must check the exam dates before buying flight tickets.”
Visa requirements
https://um.edu.uy/international/travel-information-visas#id-764

Housing
UM has no on-campus housing. Students can live in student residences or rent apartments within a range of prices. The UM International Office assists students with accommodation information.

Estimated cost of living (per month)
Accommodation – U.S. Dollars 500 - 750
Food – U.S. Dollars 450
Local transportation – U.S. Dollars 150
Books and Photocopies – U.S. Dollars 80
We recommend students to bring an International Credit Card.

Health Insurance
The Universidad de Montevideo requires incoming students to have already acquired all-encompassing health insurance before arriving in Uruguay. For emergencies the University is affiliated with the Mobile Medical Emergency System (SEMM), which provides coverage within campus.

Student Conduct Code
Possessing, using, providing, manufacturing, distributing, or selling drugs is prohibited by the Student Conduct Code. Use or possession of marijuana, including Medical Marijuana or any drugs is strictly prohibited at the UM campus or in activities off-campus.

Weather
Please check Uruguay seasonal weather trends. Winter (June–August) can be cold and windy.
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