Global Mobility 2023-2024

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UC | Chile (Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile) seeks excellence in the creation and transfer of knowledge and in the provision of a Catholic-based education to form people at the service of society.

Founded in 1888, the university currently has nearly 33,000 students and 3,500 professors. Nearly 1,000 international students come to UC | Chile to experience a mobility program.

We maintain rigorous academic standards. As a result, we are ranked the best university in Latin America (QS Latin America University Rankings 2023) and 103rd in the world (QS University Rankings 2024).

Our university has four campuses in Santiago and one in Villarrica, in the South of Chile.

It has 18 faculties, four interdisciplinary academic units and the UC | Chile College Program.

Currently, we offer more than 60 undergraduate programs with 110 careers, 93 Master's programs and 38 PhD programs.

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UC | Chile Academic Calendar

**FIRST SEMESTER**

**Classes begin**
First week of March.

**Classes end**
Last week of June.

**Exams**
Fourth week of June until the third week of July.

**SECOND SEMESTER**

**Classes begin**
First week of August.

**Classes end**
Third week of November.

**Exams**
Fourth week of November until the third week of December.

## Holidays in Chile

Learn about Chile’s national holidays [here](#).

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More details: [www.internacionalizacion.uc.cl/contacto](http://www.internacionalizacion.uc.cl/contacto)

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*Mobility officers work with all the application process-related issues. Student Services officers will contact the students once they are accepted to guide them with the migration process, courses registration, and welcome activities.*
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Semester Mobility and Double Degrees

- **Exchange (bilateral mobility)**
  A mobility agreement with the home institution is needed
  
  ![More information](download here)

- **Study abroad (free movers)**
  No agreement required
  
  ![More information](download here)

- **Double Degree**
  A Double Degree agreement with the home institution is needed
  
  ![More information](download here)

Requirements and applications documents

**General requirements**

- Certificate of Spanish knowledge level B2*
- GPA 3.0

**Needed documentation**

- Official Academic Transcript from home university
- Nomination letter from home university ([download here](download here)).
- Passport valid during all the mobility period.
- Photo (color, 20-60 KB, jpg format).
- Application for academic adjustments ([download here](download here))

![Specific requirements here](download here)

*In the event of duly substantiated exceptions, students who accredit a B1 CEFR level of Spanish may apply as long as they compulsory enroll in the B2 Spanish course at UC Chile. This course has a preferential cost for exchange and double degree students. Enrollment is done together with acceptance to the mobility program.

Application Calendar and Academic Information

**Application Calendar**

**First semester (March-July)**

- If the student comes for 2 semesters, Architecture applicants or Double Degree applicants:
  - From July 31th to October 1st, 2023
- If the student comes for 1 semester:
  - From July 31th to October 15th, 2023

**Academic Information**

- **Course catalogue**: referential information, the availability of vacancies for the courses on this list varies each semester.
- **UC | Chile Credit System**
- **Restricted study areas**: check here the areas and courses that are not open for exchange students.
- **Grading system**
- **Piane UC**: Learn more about students with special educational needs and the support they can receive through Piane UC.
Other programs

- **Apacheta**
  Apacheta is a four-week Spanish language and cultural immersion experience that integrates Spanish courses with 8 seminars about doing business in Latin America and its cultural perspective.
  
  More information

- **Spanish in Chile**
  This program seeks to promote immersion in the Spanish language, full of passion, history and tradition, through different face-to-face and online alternatives, which will allow participants to have an approach to our culture, generating a unique and positive experience.
  
  More information

- **Intercultural approaches for public health**
  It is an international experiential learning that offers conceptual and empirical elements of social sciences to place health-disease processes in a complex sociocultural environment.
  
  More information

- **Tailor made**
  Personalized programs throughout the year, in which objectives, themes, duration, and modality will be set. You will be able to work with our team to design programs that are tailored to your specific needs and interests.

For more information about these and other programs, contact:

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Migratory process

Exchange students who come to Chile for less than 180 days may enter the country with a **Temporary Stay permit**. While those who come for a year must compulsorily apply for **Temporary Residence (student subcategory)**.

Insurance and Health

Exchange students must have insurance that includes medical expenses for at least USD 30,000; explicit coverage against COVID-19; health and funeral repatriation services, and must cover the entire period of stay in Chile.

You can check some options [here](#).

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**Estimate monthly budget**

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<td>Furnished apartment</td>
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<td>Student residence</td>
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<td>Studio</td>
<td>USD$560 - 700</td>
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<td>Room (in a house or apartment)</td>
<td>USD$280 - 460</td>
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<td>Food</td>
<td>USD $2,000 - $4,000 (depends on individual consumption)</td>
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<td>Transport (in Santiago)</td>
<td>USD $60 - $80 (Students can access the student card (TNE) for discounts on public transport)</td>
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<td>Textbooks and School Supplies</td>
<td>USD $100 - $160</td>
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<td>Personal Expenses</td>
<td>USD $240</td>
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**OTHER COSTS TO CONSIDER**

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<th>Medical insurance (5 months)</th>
<th>USD $100 - 300 (depends on the insurance)</th>
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<td>immigration proceedings</td>
<td>Staying in the country for less than 180 days*: Consider the cost of the extension of the transitory stay permit. Staying in Chile longer than 180 days*: Consider the cost of Temporary Residency (student subcategory). Depends on the nationality of the applicant.</td>
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**Housing**

UC Chile does not have its own university residences, however, you can check our tips and recommendations for finding accommodation [here](#).

**Arrival and Orientation**

Upon arrival at UC | Chile, the international student has the support of the Office of the Vice President for International Affairs and of several groups of students willing to help in all aspects of their exchange.

In addition, at the beginning of each semester, an orientation session is held so that the student knows all the details about registering for courses, services offered by the university, and other topics.

UC Chile’s student groups for international students

- MAI Buddy Program
- Comisión de Acogida U
- UC Chile Libraries
- UC Chile Sports
- UC Chile Student Life
- UC Chile Social Initiatives

Check [here](#) our Green Guide for Internacional Students!