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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.

# PROGRAMS AVAILABLE



## 1. Exchange Program



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.

SEMESTER DATES	FIRST SEMESTER (SPRING)	SECOND SEMESTER (FALL)
Nomination Deadline	October 27, 2023	April 5, 2024
Application Deadline	November 17, 2023	April 26, 2024
Visa Application Deadline (mandatory process)	December 8, 2023	May 17, 2024
Online Enrollment	March 5, 2024	July 30, 2024
Compulsory Welcome Session	March 11, 2024	August 5, 2024
Classes	March 18 - June 28	August 12 - November 23
Final Exams (dates are subject to change)	July 1 - July 6	November 25 - December 2

**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 have a student visa to participate in Spring and Fall 2024 intakes.

## Required application

## and visa application documents:

Students 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 Transcript: academic record with the heading, stamp, or signature of the home institution
- Photo of the passport data page
- International health insurance certificate
- Proof of language proficiency (Spanish, English, or both)

### FOR VISA:

- **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)
- Flight ticket (round-trip ticket)





## Languages of instruction

The 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 B2 certificate of proficiency in Spanish as a minimum (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages). 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 B2 certificate of proficiency in English as a minimum 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 of proficiency in Spanish. These courses are offered in modules fully in Spanish. Classes are also offered on weekends.

### INTENSIVE SPANISH LANGUAGE COURSES:

For an additional fee, Elementary, Intermediate, and Advanced Level Spanish Courses for exchange students are available at our Language Center. These courses are offered starting 3 weeks before the beginning of the semester. After being nominated, students will receive information about the possibility of taking these courses and conditions.



## Course information

Universidad del Pacifico 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: <https://incoming.up.edu.pe>

## Academic credits and grading system

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.

GRADE	DEFINITION
20	Outstanding Cum Laude
18-19	Outstanding
16-17	Very Good
14-15	Good
11-13	Pass

## 2. Coming to Peru: What to know

### HOUSING OPTIONS

Universidad del Pacífico does not have student 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 to 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

All incoming students must have 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, and  
transportation:** USD  
300-450/month





## 3. Short Programs

Universidad del Pacífico offers its students short-term programs abroad, as well as various seminars and customized Programs for exchange students and partner institutions.

### 3.1 Tailor-Made Programs

Universidad del Pacífico offers a variety of choices for study trips in Peru to groups of students, faculty, and administrative staff. For two or three 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 NGOs. The participants will be integrated into the Peruvian culture through dance, cuisine, and language. It is necessary to have at least 10 participants enrolled in the program. Likewise, the programs may be organized at any time of the year to accommodate visitors' needs.

### 3.2 Faculty Led Program



A faculty-led program is an academic course that combines traditional classroom learning with experiential learning abroad.

They are short courses for Universidad del Pacífico students, where the professor and the student work on a discipline and visit a specific country, based on the theory learned.










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