

Study Abroad in Chile

Viña del Mar, also known as the “Garden City” is located 70 miles west of Chile’s capital, Santiago, and has a population of approximately 350,000. Picturesque beaches, lakes and mountains surround Viña del Mar. Next to “Viña,” as it is commonly known, is Valparaiso, a city recently declared “Patrimonio do la humanidad.” Valparaiso is the most important port of Chile and in the South American Pacific. Valparaiso and Viña are located in Central Chile, a region well known for its wines and agricultural products.

Viña makes an excellent location for students wishing to perfect their Spanish language skills while, at the same time, integrate into the rich and diverse culture through experiential learning opportunities (internships and field work).

Students attend classes at Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez, a private university beautifully located, with an extraordinary view of the bay, only 10 minutes from downtown.

Housing Arrangements

Housing is arranged for program participants by the Office for Education Abroad. In accordance with institutional policies, co-ed housing is not an option on any CSB/SJU sponsored program. Participants will live in Chilean homes. Students will be provided with their meals (three meals a day, seven days per week), and laundry. This arrangement for meals in their Chilean home for the duration of the academic program is included in the cost of the program; however, meals on excursions will be at the students’ expense.

Students will have access to the computer laboratories at the University. All students will carry the Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez ID and will be entitled to the same privileges as Chilean students.



Selection Criteria

- Minimum GPA of 2.5, unless there are special circumstances.
- Letters of recommendation from the academic advisor, a non-faculty member, a faculty member and a language instructor.
- Interview with the program director.
- Language proficiency. (HISP 310, 311, or 312)
- Preference is given to qualified seniors, qualified juniors and qualified sophomores in that order.
- Qualified CSB/SJU students receive preference over students from other colleges and universities.
- CSB/SJU students who have never been on a CSB/SJU semester-long study abroad program receive preference over students who have already participated on a CSB/SJU semester-long study abroad program.
- In accordance with institutional policies, co-ed housing is not an option on any CSB/SJU program. In some instances, selection of men and women participants must be based on housing accommodations available on site.
- A student cannot be accepted to a program if he/she has not completed the application process.
- A disciplinary violation could affect acceptance to a study abroad program.

Things You Should Know:

- Language prerequisite: HISP 310, 311, or 312
- Students can study abroad in Chile during the fall semester (mid-August to mid-December).
- The deadline for applications for all study abroad programs is January 15, 2010.
- Admission to the Chile program is competitive.



Policies

Students are required to attend all class meetings of courses for which they are registered. It is the student's responsibility to contact an instructor—preferably in advance—of a necessary absence. A student absent from class for any reason assumes the responsibility for work which has been missed. Personal travel is not considered a reasonable absence from class.

The instructor determines the attendance policy for his or her class. An instructor may fail a student if the instructor determines that unwarranted absences have earned the student a grade of "F", based on grading standards and attendance requirements defined in the course syllabus.

Disregard for either the academic character of the program or the basic social and legal obligations of a guest residing in another country will result in the termination of the student's program abroad.



How do I get to Chile?

Students will make their own flight arrangements and must meet in Chile at a place and time to be designated by the program director.

Check with your local travel agent or the following websites:

www.studentuniverse.com;
www.statravel.com;
www.orbitz.com;
www.expedia.com;
www.travelocity.com; or
www.kayak.com.

Important Information

Program Fees

The program fee for 2009-2010 was \$19,473 plus round-trip airfare. The program fee will increase by the same percentage as tuition, room and board on campus for the 2010-2011 academic year. The fee is subject to change due to unanticipated increases in expenses and exchange rate fluctuations. Please note the items included/not included in the program fee.

Included in the Program Fee:

1. CSB/SJU tuition for the semester
2. Orientation program expenses
3. Housing/meals in family while the program is in session
4. On-site tuition and instructional costs
5. Course-related excursions
6. Visa fee

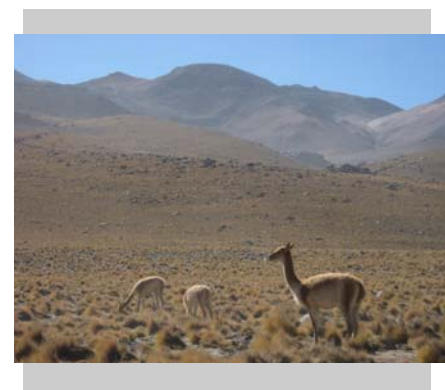
Not Included in the Program Fee:

1. Non-program travel or housing
2. Passport application fee (\$97)
3. Round-trip airfare
4. Medical/travel exams/consultations
5. Meals during program excursions

Financial Aid

Regularly enrolled CSB/SJU students are eligible for financial aid on this study abroad program just as if they were on-campus, with the exception of work-study and the housing grant. For further information, students are directed to the *Academic Catalog*, available online. You are also encouraged to discuss your eligibility with the financial aid office. **For information on study abroad scholarships, please visit the Office for Education Abroad Website:**

<http://www.csbsju.edu/internationaleducation/scholarships.htm>



Athletic Eligibility

Grades from study abroad programs must be received by the CSB/SJU Registrar's Office to determine athletic eligibility. If, for any reason, the necessary grades have not been received at the start of the athletic season, the student will not be allowed to participate (including practice) until it is determined that the student has met all eligibility requirements.

Travel Medical Consultation

Health exams to satisfy visa requirements, travel consultations, and immunizations are the financial and personal responsibility of the traveling student. Students should make an appointment for a pre-travel consultation with the SJU Health Center, CSB Health Services, or another medical professional. Be sure to allow sufficient time as some vaccinations are given in a series with certain intervals between vaccinations. OEA staff are not qualified to make a recommendation about travel medical care. If a medical exam or medical information is required to fulfill visa application requirements, the specific information will be given to the students at pre-departure orientation. For more details about medical health concerns while traveling, consult the Center for Disease Control and Prevention website at www.cdc.gov.

Orientation Program

All CSB/SJU students must participate in orientation sessions during the semester prior to going abroad. These sessions are arranged by the program director and the Office for Education Abroad. Attendance at all orientation sessions is mandatory for all CSB/SJU students.

Fall 2010: March 20, 2010

Academic Program

In keeping with the goals of a liberal education, CSB/SJU study abroad programs offer off-campus intellectual environments in which students are able to explore the human condition. Students are exposed to unique opportunities to examine the fundamental, recurring questions about themselves and the world. At the same time, great care has been taken to ensure that the courses taught abroad

are integrated fully into the Common Curriculum and departmental offerings.

Grades issued on all CSB/SJU sponsored programs are recorded on the student's transcript as letter grades. All grades are calculated into the student's cumulative GPA.

Language Requirements

Prior to departure, students must have completed HISP 310, 311, 312, or the equivalent. Students who demonstrate an adequate linguistic level of Spanish will be able to take classes with other Chilean students. As part of this program, students will have a full time tutor to help them with language skills.

ART 309B FA	LATIN AMERICAN ART & CULTURE (4 credits): The study of artistic phenomena is a useful tool for an in-depth study of a culture. This course aims to promote the understanding of Latin American artistic forms from the pre-Columbian world to the popular expressions of the twentieth century, seeking, in its iconography and morphology, signs of cultural identity of the nations found in Central America and the South American continent. PREREQ: HISP 310, 311 or permission of the program director. This course will count toward the HISP major.
HISP 316	TOPICS OF CONVERSATION AND COMPOSITION ON CHILEAN AND LATIN AMERICAN ISSUES (4 credits). This course is designed to increase accuracy in writing and conversation to facilitate the acquisition of language skills necessary to express oneself in various contexts. Classes revolve around frequent written compositions, selected readings and discussions on Latin American issues. (UAI Faculty).
HISP 328	HISTORY OF CHILE (4 credits). This course will provide a panoramic view of the problems, ideologies and political and economic realities Chile has faced throughout its history. It will include the study of the indigenous state in Chile prior to the arrival of the Spaniards and their current role in Chilean society. The course will end with an analysis of the political, social and economical conflicts during the century. (UAI Faculty).
HISP: 329 HM	SEMINAR ON LATIN AMERICAN LITERATURE (4 credits). This course focuses primarily on Latin America's contemporary literatures with special attention to the cultural and sociopolitical conditions that identify the exceptional characteristic of these diverse literatures. The course will be on rotating writers and topics. (UAI Faculty).
HISP 330 FA	LATIN AMERICAN SOCIETY AND CINEMA (4 credits). This course is designed to give students an understanding of the way the art form of film helps redefine moments in history of national, political, and aesthetic consciousness. The course surveys some of the greatest Latin American films in order to comprehend the interrelationships between cultures and society, and arrive at a fuller understanding of both their global impact and their local relevance. (UAI Faculty).
HISP 350	INTRODUCTION TO HISPANIC LINGUISTICS (4 credits). A survey of general linguistics as it applies to Spanish with attention to the major areas of the field: Spanish phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, pragmatics, historical linguistics, sociolinguistics and language acquisition. PREREQ: HISP 312 or permission of instructor.
HISP 357	INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS BETWEEN LATIN AMERICA AND THE U.S. (4 credits). This course delivers a critical perspective on historical, social, political, and economic relations between different Latin American countries and the United States. Special emphasis will be given to the analysis of the relations of Chile and the United States. <i>Cross-listed with POLS 357.</i> (UAI Faculty).
POLS 357	INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS BETWEEN LATIN AMERICA AND THE U.S. (4 credits). This course delivers a critical perspective on historical, social, political, and economic relations between different Latin American countries and the United States. Special emphasis will be given to the analysis of the relations of Chile and the United States. (UAI Faculty) <i>Cross-listed with HISP 357.</i>
SA 398	FIELD EXPERIENCE/PRACTICUM (1-4 credits). Supervised career exploration, field work or service learning which promotes the integration of theory with practice. An opportunity to apply skills under direct supervision in an approved setting. Opportunities in organizations working with indigenous communities, development, gender, human rights, social justice, environment, education, business and other issues. UAI offers a hands-on experience teaching English in elementary, high school and university environments.
MGMT 389	SA EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING (1-2 credit/s). This course is designed for students participating in Study Abroad. Students will write a series of essays integrating their knowledge of theory with their personal observations and reactions. Particular emphasis will be placed on the impact of culture on business. The course will be taught by a professor at CSB/SJU, using distance learning to maintain contact with students located in a variety of countries. Students should purchase the required textbook, Adler's <i>International Dimensions of Organizational Behavior</i> , from the CSB Bookstore before departure for the program site. Restricted to MGMT majors/minors.
SA 390 REQUIRED IC EL	STUDY ABROAD SEMINAR (4 credits): The goal of the Study Abroad Seminar program is to expose students to the richness and diversity found on-site in their host culture and to more fully immerse the students into that culture. The course will include pre-departure, on-site and re-entry activities. A course description will be provided by the program director after students are accepted for the program. This course will be designed to develop intercultural skills and awareness and will meet the requirements of the Intercultural Requirement in the Common Curriculum. In some cases this course will fulfill the Experiential Requirement of the Common Curriculum.

Steps to a Successful Application

1. Attend a *Study Abroad 101* session, check out our website for a schedule.
2. Complete the online request for the letters of recommendation from the applicant's academic advisor, a non-faculty member, and an instructor of the applicant's choice.
3. Complete the online application.
4. Submit to OEA, Main Building G004 at CSB, the following:
 - \$225 application fee
 - Four official colored passport photos on a plain white background
 - Signature/Waiver form (Applicant & Parent signatures required). The fee is nonrefundable if the applicant is accepted, but is refunded if the applicant is not accepted.
5. Attend an interview with the director of the study abroad program.

Cancellation Policies

Withdrawal from a study abroad program must be made in writing to the Office for Education Abroad. OEA reserves the right to not fill a space resulting from a student's withdrawal.

Refunds for tuition and any recoverable fees on the program site are made to any student who withdraws during the semester abroad by formal written notice according to the general refund policy in the Course Catalog.

In the case of withdrawal due to serious health matters and accidents, all recoverable fees will be refunded with the exception of the \$225 application fee. Written notification from the student is required in addition to a doctor's statement.

Cancellation Fees

- \$250 for cancellation between April 1 - May 31, 2010
- \$500 for cancellation between June 1 - August 1, 2010
- \$500 plus any fees unrecoverable for cancellation after August 1, 2010



Important Web Resources:

OEA: www.csbsju.edu/internationaleducation/
U.S. passport information available online:
www.travel.state.gov/passport/
Visit Chile website: www.visit-chile.org/
Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez:
www.uai.cl/p4_english/site/port/home.html

Application Timeline

November 9th, 2009

Application available online.

January 15th, 2010

Study abroad application deadline 4:30pm.

Beginning January 25th

Interviews with the program director.

February 5th, 2010

First round notification of acceptance by email. Students may be considered for a second program after this date.

March 8th, 2010

Official written notification of acceptance.

March 11th, 2010

\$200 (non-refundable) advance registration/housing deposit due in Student Accounts Office. All CSB/SJU students make this payment to confirm they are returning to CSB/SJU the next year. This is not a separate study abroad fee.

March 20th, 2010

Required orientation for fall programs.

July 2010

(Fall Program)

Final billing by Student Accounts Office. This is part of your regular billing cycle. You will receive notification in the mail.