



# **Application Process**

#### **Nomination**

Partner universities nominates their students through our platform once they receive the instructions and links from Uniandes Incoming Mobility.

#### **Nomination Dates**

March 2<sup>nd</sup> to April 20<sup>th</sup> for fall semester (August – December)

August 31st to October 19th for spring semester (January - June)

## **Application**

Nominated students should fill out the online application form that will be sent to their emails. Only applications from students nominated by their home university will be consider.

## **Application Dates**

March 16<sup>th</sup> to May 4<sup>th</sup> for fall semester (August – December)

September 14<sup>th</sup> to November 2<sup>nd</sup> for spring semester (January - June)

## **Required documents**

- Passport copy (JPG)
- Official transcript of records (Spanish or English) (PDF)
- A certificate of Spanish B2 CEFR (a certificate from your home institution, a teacher, or a Spanish Institute)
- List of current courses (PDF)
- An essay in Spanish explaining the reasons why you want to study at Universidad de los Andes (PDF)
- One picture (3cmx4cm white background) (JPG)
- Portfolio (Only for students who want to join the Faculty of Architecture and Design) (Free format)

## Additional documents for master students:

CV (PDF)

**Note:** School of Management MBA students must have an average of 5 years of work experience (minimum of 3 years).

## **Contact Us**

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# **Academic Information**

## **Education System**

Class format is based on lectures, readings, class participation and self-study. Students are expected to attend all lectures, to complete all course-related assignments and readings, and to sit exams in order to receive a course grade.

 The academic semester has 16 weeks of class; however, some courses are taught in an 8-week period.

#### Recommended Workload

## **Undergraduate**

Students should register a minimum of 9 credits and a maximum of 20 credits. Students should follow the minimum requirements of their home University.

#### Master

Students should register minimum 8 credits and maximum 18 credits. Students should follow the requirements of their home University.

1 credit equals 48 hours of course work (in and out of class). It is important to remember that the ratio of classroom work vs individual work is 1 to 3 for master students and 1 to 2 for undergraduate students

## **Grading System:**

- Excellent 4.50 5.0
- Good 4.00 4.49
- Satisfactory 3.50 3.99
- Sufficient 3.00 3.49
- Insufficient 1.50 2.99

#### Pass and Fail (P - F)

These grades apply for the courses that, based on determination by the Academic Council, receive non-numeric grades. The credits for courses that are passed count as graduation requirements, but they will not be taken into consideration in the calculation of semester average. (Art 55 *reglamento Estudiantes de Pregrado*).

#### Available areas for exchange students

Students can take classes in most of our programs as long as they fulfill the prerequisites of the courses.

## **Academic Counseling**

Academic doubts for Exchange students are going to be answered by the academic coordinators. List of academic coordinators:

Undergraduate: https://bit.ly/3KXP5TG Master: https://bit.ly/3DcLDme

Students who would like to enroll in any of the School of Management master programs, can only apply if their institution has an agreement with any of the School of Management master Programs at Uniandes. For further information please contact "Centro de Servicios Académicos"

Centro de Servicios Académicos csa.adm@uniandes.edu.co

#### Course Catalog

On the following link you will find our historic catalog of courses. Please keep in mind that the official catalog for your exchange semester will be published 1 or 2 weeks before the course registration.

#### https://bit.ly/3RSqTnJ

#### **Pre-requirements**

Students are responsible for choosing the courses according to the necessary requirements. If the student does not meet the criteria needed, They should not ask to be enrolled in the class.

## **Online Course Registration**

It is important to remember that the University apply the "first come, first served" rule. If you do not register on time, it will be difficult to find places on the courses of your choice.

#### https://bit.ly/3L7rDn6

#### Sport Courses

Students can also register sports classes if desired. In that case, it is important to know that each class is 1 credit and will be graded on the pass or fail basis. Or they can freely practice sports in the facilities according to the policies established.

#### https://bit.ly/3quDjqc



## **General Information**

## Language(s) of Instruction

Most of our classes are taught in Spanish. Therefore, a B2 Spanish level is required. However, if the student is going to take courses taught in English a B2 English level and an A2 Spanish level are required.

## **Spanish Course**

A Spanish course is offered to all our international students; if students want to take this class, they must take the placement exam (written and oral) and register for the class officially. This class is 3 credits. http://bit.ly/3lizt0h

## Intensive Spanish Course in July

There is an intensive Spanish program, free of charge for exchange students of 3 weeks during July. If you are interested in taking this class, you must directly contact Ana Isabel González, coordinator of the ELE program:

Ana Isabel González:

coordinacionele@uniandes.edu.co

#### Other Languages

If students would like to take language courses (English, French, German, Portuguese, etc.) They need to take the placement exam during the established dates from the Languages department. For more information http://bit.ly/3bNhSub

# Important Dates for International Students:

https://bit.ly/3qqinAU

#### **Orientation Session:**

Universidad de los Andes has an orientation session of three days on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday the week before classes begin. The orientation session for international students is highly recommended.

#### Health Insurance

Students must have an international travel and health insurance with a wide health and dental coverage. This is mandatory for all exchange students.

# **Visa Information**

For students whose nationality does not require a tourist visa:

The immigration officer at the port of entry should stamp the student's passport with the PID (Student Entry Permit) when handed the admission letter (for stays up to 180 days).

- This permit is valid for 90 days and must be renewed at *Migración Colombia* for another 90 days period.
- For stays longer than 180 days, a student visa is required

#### For students whose nationality requires a tourist visa:

Regardless of the length of stay, a visa needs to be obtained prior to arriving in Colombia. Further information: https://bit.ly/2AsD6ug

When coming on a visa, students are required to obtain an ID card (Cédula de Extranjería) once they arrive in Colombia. This procedure must be done within 15 days after arrival to Colombia and costs approximately \$90 US Dollars. All the information about this process can be found at: https://bit.ly/3l5aXLt

All students are responsible for obtaining their respective immigration documents. To be enrolled and registered at Uniandes, students must have either the PID stamp, a visa/Cedula de Extranjería, or a Cédula Colombiana (for Colombian students).

# Life in Bogotá

## **Living Expenses**

The following budget is an estimate and can vary significantly depending on the student's preferences. Students should keep in mind the conversion rate to their money currency.

5-month stay in Bogotá estimated budget		
	Lowest (in COP)	Highest (in COP)
Room	\$ 6,000,000.00	\$ 12,500,000.00
Board	\$ 1,240,000.00	\$ 2,480,000.00
Installation budget	\$ 1,500,000.00	\$ 1,500,000.00
Transportation	\$ 3,100,000.00	\$ 3,100,000.00
Others	\$ 2,500,000.00	\$ 2,500,000.00
Total in Colombian pesos	\$ 14,340,000.00	\$ 22,080,000.00

## Housing

Universidad de los Andes does not provide in campus housing. Each student is responsible to find their own accommodation. There are multiple housing alternatives near the university campus.

- · City U https://vivienda.uniandes.edu.co
- · The Spot https://thespotforliving.com
- · Living X https://livinnxbogota.com
- · Esstudia https://esstudia.com/bogota-17-4-centro

Popular neighborhoods for exchange students near campus are La Candelaria, Las Nieves, La Macarena, Germania.

## Information about Bogotá and Colombia

http://www.bogota.gov.co https://www.colombia.co/

