



**FACT SHEET 2023: STUDY IN  
ECUADOR**

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ACADEMIC CALENDAR	International Spring Semester	International Fall Semester
Beginning & End Date	Arrival: January 4 <sup>th</sup> Spanish course & Classes: January 9 <sup>th</sup> – March 26 <sup>th</sup> Community internship: March 27 <sup>th</sup> – April 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Arrival: August 22 <sup>nd</sup> (tentative)  Classes: August 28 <sup>th</sup> – December 17 <sup>th</sup>
Application Deadline	Oct. 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	April 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2023

### International Spring Semester

*Spanish as a second language	3 weeks	48 hours (1 subject, 3 credits)
UCG intensive period	8 weeks	144 hours (3 subjects, 9 credits)
Community internship	3 + 1 weeks	96 hours (1 subject, 3 credits)

### APPLICATION PROCESS - EXCHANGE STUDENTS

<b>Application Forms</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Application Form</li> <li>2. Medical and Emergency Form</li> <li>3. Housing Form</li> </ol>
<b>Additional required documents</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Spanish Placement Exam</li> <li>2. Conduct Agreement</li> <li>3. Liability Release</li> <li>4. Two Reference Letters</li> <li>5. Official Transcript</li> <li>6. Proof of Travel Insurance (Covid coverage)</li> <li>7. Copy of passport</li> <li>8. Passport size photo (white background)</li> <li>9. Copy of airline tickets</li> <li>10. Covid-19 vaccination certificate * under the latest program in your home country</li> </ol>

### ACADEMIC INFORMATION

<b>Academic level of Studies</b>	Undergraduate
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**ACADEMIC  
INFORMATION**

**Areas of study**

***Faculty of Communication Mónica Herrera***

- **Communication**

*(Minors: Events & Shows Management, Sociocultural Studies, Digital Media Management)*

- **Journalism**

*(Minors: Sports Journalism, Cultural Journalism and Scientific Dissemination, Sociocultural Studies of Communication)*

- **Advertising**

*(Minors: Multi-platform Creative Content, Events & Shows Management, Digital Media Management)*

- **Marketing**

*(Minors: Digital Marketing, Branding, Planning Consumer Insight)*

- **Digital Marketing**

*(Minors: Multiplatform Creative Content, AI and BIG DATA, ESports Marketing)*

***Faculty of Arts***

- **Multimedia and Audiovisual Production**

*(Minors: Digital Media Management, Animation, Development of Multimedia Products)*

- **Performing Arts**

*(Minors: Event & Show Management, Acting, Production and Stage Direction)*

- **Digital Animation**

*(Minors: Motion Graphics Design 3D, Character Animation).*

***Faculty of Design and Architecture***

- **Graphic Design**

*(Minors: Design Applied to Space, Branding, Development of Multimedia Products)*

- **Product Design**

*(Minors: Eco Design, Design Applied to Space & Fashion Design)*

**Faculty of Administration and Business**

- **Business Administration**

*(Minors: Management in International Markets, Strategic Marketing, or Financial Intelligence)*

- **International Business**

*(Minors: Internationalization of companies, Innovation & Product Development, International Relations)*

- **Digital Business**

*(Minors: Digital Transformation in Business, AI and BIG DATA, Branding)*

- **Human Talent Management** *(Minors: Knowledge Management & Communication, Welfare and Management of the Common Good)*

**Faculty of Political Science and Law**

- **Political Science**

*(Minors: Social Entrepreneurship, International Business, International Relations)*

**Faculty of Human Ecology, Education and Development**

- **Education**

*(Minors: Early Childhood Stimulation, Inclusive Education and Sustainable Learning, Elementary and High School Education)*

- **Early Childhood Education**

*(Minors: Inclusive Education and Sustainable Learning, Early Childhood Stimulation, Neurodevelopment & Learning)*

- **Special Education**

*(Minors: Inclusive Education, Early Childhood Stimulation, Neurodevelopment & Learning)*

- **Psychology**

*(Minors: Social and Community Psychology, Couple and Family Psychology, Forensic Psychology)*

- **Educational psychology**

*(Minors: Psychology, Emotions, and Learning, Vocational Psychology, Institutional Welfare)*

- **Psychopedagogy**

*(Minors: NeuroPsychopedagogy, Clinical Psychopedagogy, Social and Labor Psychopedagogy).*



### ACADEMIC INFORMATION

<b>Language of Instruction</b>	Predominantly Spanish with a limited selection of courses in English. Students are required to have an intermediate to advanced level of Spanish (B2).
	We offer Spanish as a foreign language course for international students who have an intermediate level and wish to improve it while attending their regular classes. This class has 3 credits.
<b>Course Load</b>	4-6 courses per semester
	Each course has 3 American credits, equivalent to 48 hours of classes
<b>Grading</b>	<p>Scale from 1 to 10 (minimum passing grade is 7):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9 - 10: Excellent</li> <li>• 8 - 8.99: Very good</li> <li>• 7 - 7.99: Good</li> </ul>

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

<b>Housing</b>	<p>If students prefer to choose their accommodation independently, there are options like student houses and hostels available. The option to rent a bedroom or suite is also convenient.</p> <p>International students can also stay with families with ties to the university, such as the families of our students, staff, or others close to the Casa Grande Community. The cost of living with a host family includes half-board expenses.</p>
<b>Fees</b> <b>*All fees are subject to fluctuation based on seasonal prices.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Independent</b> (hostel, student houses, etc.): USD\$400 monthly approx.</li> <li>• <b>Home Stay:</b> USD\$2655 (approx) per semester</li> </ul>
<b>Travel</b>	The Office of International Affairs and Modern Languages offers guidance for traveling within Ecuador and nearby locations. The International Student Advisor advises our international students about places to stay transportation, prices and security measures.

<b>Visa</b>	<p>Incoming students enrolled in <b>programs with less than 180 days of length</b> <u>do not require a student visa (12-V)</u> at an Ecuadorian Consulate or Embassy. They will be able to enter the country as tourists for 90 days. After this period has expired, the students must apply for an extension of their tourist visas in order to finish the semester, which cost 141,67 USD.</p> <p>Students enrolled in <b>programs with over 180 days of duration</b> <u>MUST obtain a student visa (12-V)</u> in the closest Ecuadorian Consulate or Embassy.</p>
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<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</b>	
<b>Volunteer opportunities</b>	<p>In Guayaquil, there are numerous opportunities for students to participate in volunteer projects. Areas range from the environment to health services and even education.</p>
<b>Orientation Session</b>	<p>UCG offers a mandatory orientation session for international students. We recommend students arrive at least 4 days before the beginning of the semester, to attend the session, complete their course registration, among other activities.</p> <p>All official details will be provided by the International Student Advisor and International Activities from the following email address: <a href="mailto:inbound@casagrande.edu.ec">inbound@casagrande.edu.ec</a></p>