

# USP FACT SHEET 2025

## UNIVERSITY OF SÃO PAULO, BRASIL

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<b>LOCATION</b>	<p><b>USP HAS 8 CAMPUSES SPREAD ACROSS THE STATE OF SÃO PAULO</b></p> <p>Further information on our campuses is available at:  <a href="https://internationaloffice.usp.br/en/index.php/about-usp/explore-campuses">https://internationaloffice.usp.br/en/index.php/about-usp/explore-campuses</a></p>
<b>FACULTIES, SCHOOLS AND INSTITUTES</b>	<p>49 teaching and research units (see the <a href="#">full list</a>)</p>

## REGISTRATION GUIDELINES

<b>ACADEMIC CALENDAR</b>	<p>1st Semester: from February to June (holidays in July)  2nd Semester: from August to December (holidays in January)  The full academic calendars are available at Mundus (menu on the left side)  <i>Nota bene: some Schools follow a different calendar, so please refer to their <a href="#">International Office website</a> for more information.</i></p>
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<b>INSTRUCTIONS AND DEADLINES FOR NOMINATIONS AND APPLICATIONS</b>	<p><b>NOMINATION</b></p> <p>Students interested in studying at USP as Exchange Students should contact their home university Student Exchange Coordinator in order to obtain information on how to be nominated.</p> <p>To apply for the exchange program at USP, the student must first be officially nominated. Information for (non-)partner institutions and applicants is available on our nomination / registration platform Mundus (<a href="https://uspdigital.usp.br/mundus/guiaSolicitaAcessoInternacional?codmnu=2818">https://uspdigital.usp.br/mundus/guiaSolicitaAcessoInternacional?codmnu=2818</a>).</p> <p>The deadlines and conditions for nomination and application for the exchange program are different for undergraduate and graduate studies. Depending on the study level the student is interested in, different procedures should be followed. For more details on how to apply, visit the relevant page:</p> <p><b>APPLICATION</b></p> <p>Applying for Undergraduate Programs (<a href="http://internationaloffice.usp.br/en/index.php/admissions/studentexchange/exchange-student">http://internationaloffice.usp.br/en/index.php/admissions/studentexchange/exchange-student</a>);</p> <p>Applying for Graduate Programs Research and Taught Courses (<a href="http://internationaloffice.usp.br/en/index.php/admissions/studentexchange/exchange-graduate">http://internationaloffice.usp.br/en/index.php/admissions/studentexchange/exchange-graduate</a>)</p>
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<b>CREDIT TRANSFER GUIDELINES &amp; GRADES EQUIVALENCY</b>	<a href="http://internationaloffice.usp.br/en/index.php/admissions/credit-transfer-guidelines-grade-equivalency-3">http://internationaloffice.usp.br/en/index.php/admissions/credit-transfer-guidelines-grade-equivalency-3</a>
<b>COURSE RESTRICTIONS</b>	<p>Exchange students in the field of Human Health are not permitted by law to participate in practical classes and internships, but they may audit these courses if appropriate.</p> <p>The Faculty of Architecture and Urbanism [<i>Faculdade de Arquitetura e Urbanismo</i>] (FAU) and the School of Economics, Business, Accounting, and Actuarial Science [<i>Faculdade de Economia, Administração e Contabilidade</i>] (FEA) receive a high volume of applications each semester and have limited capacity to accommodate exchange students. We strongly advise students interested in these schools to explore alternative options.</p>
<b>LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS</b>	<p>The majority of classes at USP are conducted exclusively in Portuguese. Consequently, students must possess a proficient command of Portuguese to participate in these classes (CEFR B1 level). A formal language proficiency certificate is not mandatory. Research activities, on the other hand, do not impose specific language requirements. These activities may be conducted in a language mutually agreed upon between the student and their supervisor.</p>

## STUDENT SERVICES, SUPPORT AND CAMPUS LIFE

<b>LANGUAGE COURSE</b>	<p>The exchange student can attend (during the semester, not before) an intensive Portuguese course offered by the Language Learning Center (Centro de Línguas da FFLCH) at the São Paulo Campus only – Cidade Universitária. For further information, please visit <a href="http://clinguas.fflch.usp.br">http://clinguas.fflch.usp.br</a> or send an email to <a href="mailto:portcl@usp.br">portcl@usp.br</a>. For opportunities available on other campuses, please refer to our <a href="#">Local International Offices</a>.</p> <p>Language center courses can be combined with regular courses arranged by various faculties, but they are not listed on the transcript of records. Students who pass the exams receive a certificate of attendance and exchange coordinators may consider them when transferring credits.</p>
<b>RESTAURANTS</b>	Each campus features its own affordable restaurants serving breakfast, lunch, and dinner.
<b>MEDICAL FACILITIES</b>	USP owns two major hospitals and maintains partnerships with the Clinical Hospital of São Paulo and Ribeirão Preto. Exchange students can access these facilities in case of emergencies.
<b>SPORTS AND CULTURAL FACILITIES</b>	<p>Sports and recreational facilities are available on all campuses, offering a wide range of amenities. Certain centers offer specialized programs for various sports, including soccer, basketball, volleyball, and swimming. These programs are overseen by professionals in their respective fields and are accessible to international students.</p> <p>Beyond its museums, USP is home to numerous <a href="#">cultural centers</a> and groups, offering students a diverse array of options for leisure and cultural engagement.</p>
<b>ACCOMMODATION</b>	<p>Accommodation options for exchange students are not provided on the campuses. Students are responsible for conducting their own search for accommodation based on their financial circumstances and preferences.</p> <p>For more details on alternative housing options outside the campuses, please reach out to the Local International Offices: (<a href="http://internationaloffice.usp.br/en/index.php/institutional/usp-units-offices">http://internationaloffice.usp.br/en/index.php/institutional/usp-units-offices</a>).</p>
<b>PSYCHOLOGICAL SUPPORT</b>	USP hosts a dedicated Division that concentrates on devising initiatives concerning social interaction, well-being, and mental health within the campus community.

## PRE-ARRIVAL INFORMATION

<b>VISA INFORMATION</b>	<a href="https://internationaloffice.usp.br/en/index.php/foreigners">https://internationaloffice.usp.br/en/index.php/foreigners</a>
<b>TUITION FEES</b>	<p>USP is a public state institution that welcomes exchange students at no cost, except for a few short summer and extension courses.</p> <p>No courses have registration or material fees, except for <a href="#">Short and Summer Courses</a>.</p>

<b>INSURANCE</b>	The international student will also have to provide evidence of medical insurance or appropriate and valid travel medical insurance policy for registration upon arrival. Students must purchase their Health/Travel Insurance in their countries of origin before traveling to Brazil (this must cover the entirety of the stay in Brazil). International students will have access to the Brazilian Public Health System only in emergency cases.
<b>ORIENTATION DATES</b>	Upon acceptance, the student will receive further information about orientation dates. Please notice that different faculties/schools may have different orientation dates as well as enrollment deadlines. Specific inquiries should be addressed to the <u>Local International Offices</u> . Students accepted to study at different Schools/Institutes should attend all the orientation dates.
<b>STUDENTS GUIDE</b>	For further information, please check the <u>student guide</u> .
<b>VACCINATION AND HEALTH</b>	<p>Yellow fever vaccines may not be required for visa application at the Brazilian diplomatic representations abroad, but yet are recommended when travelers intend to visit the following States in Brazil: Acre, Amapá, Amazonas, Distrito Federal, Goiás, Maranhão, Mato Grosso, Mato Grosso do Sul, Pará, Rondônia and Tocantins. Please note that vaccinations requirements may change without prior notice.</p> <p>Additional information in English about health and vaccines requirements by Brazilian states and cities may be find at <a href="https://visitbrasil.com">https://visitbrasil.com</a></p> <p>Exchange students may refer to one of the several Public Community health centers upon arrival in Brazil and require certain vaccinations if they decide to visit areas of risk.</p>

<b>AFTER ARRIVAL</b>	
<b>REGISTERING WITH THE POLICE</b>	The former National Foreign Registry (Registro Nacional de Estrangeiro – RNE), the long-term identity document issued after Federal Police registration, has been renamed Carteira de Registro Nacional Migratório (CRNM). Visitors will be required to register with the Brazilian Federal Police office within 90 days upon arrival and apply for a CRNM. For further information, please contact the <u>Local International Office</u> operating at your host school.
<b>ENROLLMENT</b>	Immediately upon arrival, the student should provide the <u>Local International Office</u> with copies of their medical insurance or appropriate and valid travel medical insurance policy as well as of the visa so as to confirm their attendance in person and collect their personal University Card.
<b>COSTS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</b>	
<b>LIVING EXPENSES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There are free transportation options within each campus (information available in Portuguese)</li> <li>• It is possible to compare prices of basic living expenses in a variety of cities.</li> </ul>
<b>STUDENT AND RESEARCHER'S GUIDE</b>	An International Student and Researcher's Guide is available for download. For further information the student may contact the <u>Local International Offices</u> .