



Education Abroad in Latin American Studies

Benefits of International Experience

For students in Latin American Studies an international experience can be an integral component to the discipline and their studies at U.Va. Education abroad can further provide students with the skills and intercultural competence that is becoming invaluable in our increasingly multicultural and interconnected world. Upon return from studying abroad, many students report that they are equipped with greater language proficiency, deeper knowledge and understanding of various cultures, as well as a broader, more global perspective that is often valued by employers.

There is a wide range of opportunities available for coursework abroad in Latin American Studies. Students can integrate a semester, year, summer, or January-term program into their academic plan, earning both major credit and general elective credit toward their U.Va. degree.

Student Testimonial

"Living and studying in Buenos Aires, Argentina was a whirlwind of an adventure. The city was a beautiful combination of European and Latin American architecture, and some of my favorite memories were my time spent commuting to my classes and internship, taking in the city. My days were spent in classes alongside native Argentine students at the University of Buenos Aires, one of the largest universities in South America. I also had the opportunity to work as a research intern at a human rights center in a university outside of the city, giving me hands-on experience which inspired the topic for my thesis in Latin American Studies. My time in Buenos Aires was transformative, in ways which I continue to discover!" - *Elinor Ackerman, Latin American Studies Major: IFSA-Butler Argentina program*



Academic and Timing Considerations

The Latin American Studies Program encourages students to take advantage of coursework offered abroad. Depending on the program you enroll in, you may receive either direct or transfer credit for the courses you complete abroad. Please note that some of the programs on this list have a language requirement. All students wishing to study abroad must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher, depending on the program you choose.

Planning ahead is key to finding a program that meets your academic and personal goals. The Department of Anthropology and the International Studies Office recommend planning for your international experience as early as first year, and encourage you to meet with an education abroad advisor, as well as your academic advisor.

Steps to go abroad

- Get a passport
- Complete the online Education Abroad Workshop
- Talk with your department about timing and course requirements
- Meet with an ISO education abroad advisor and explore opportunities
- Learn about funding resources (financial aid, scholarships)
- Research programs and apply online
- Participate in cross-cultural seminars (CORE)

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For more information on program options, make an appointment online with an education abroad advisor according to your country or region of interest.

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Interested in other disciplines?
Explore additional major advising sheets online at www.virginia.edu/studyabroad/studyinmajor.html

International Opportunities in Latin American Studies

This list is a starting point, you are *not* limited to these options

Europe

- **Spain**, UVA in Valencia
- **United Kingdom**, UVA Exchange: University of Birmingham
- **United Kingdom**, UVA Exchange: University of Nottingham
- **United Kingdom**, UVA Exchange: St. Andrews
- **United Kingdom**, University College London

Latin America

- **Argentina**, IES Abroad: Buenos Aires
- **Argentina**, IFSA-Butler: Argentine Universities Program
- **Argentina**, SIT: Social Movements and Human Rights
- **Argentina**, Spanish Studies Abroad: Integrated Spanish Studies
- **Brazil**, CIEE: Salvador de Bahia: Liberal Arts Program
- **Brazil**, IES: Rio de Janeiro
- **Brazil**, UVA Commerce: Doing Business in Brazil
- **Chile**, Arcadia Summer
- **Chile**, IFSA-Butler: Chilean Universities Program
- **Chile**, SIT: Cultural Identity, Social Justice, and Community Development
- **Chile**, Washington University in St. Louis: Santiago
- **Costa Rica**, UVA in Costa Rica Summer

- **Costa Rica**, IFSA-Butler: Universidad Nacional in Heredia
- **Cuba**, Arcadia: University of Havana
- **Cuba**, Spanish Studies Abroad: Integrated Studies
- **Ecuador**, IES Universidad San Francisco de Quito
- **Ecuador**, SIT: Development, Politics, and Languages
- **Peru**, IFSA-Butler: Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú in Lima
- **Uruguay**, SIT: Regional Integration, Development, and Social Change

Oceania

- **Australia**, [UVA Exchange: University of New South Wales](#)
- **New Zealand**, [UVA Exchange: University of Otago](#)