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Partner University Exchange

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

FAST FACTS

- **Exchange levels:**
undergraduate,
graduate
- **Language of instruction:** Spanish
- **Language Requirement:** Zero to two years college-level Spanish prior to exchange
- **University website:**
www.ucv.cl/
- **Length of exchange:** semester or academic year

VALPARAISO AT A GLANCE

Population:
300,000

Climate:
Warm summers and cold winters.
Temperatures range from 0 to 28°C.

Proximity to:
Santiago: 60 miles
Talca: 213 miles
Buenos Aires: 761 miles

Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Valparaiso

The Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Valparaíso (PUCV), founded in 1928, has established itself as one of the most prestigious, traditional higher education institutions in Chile. With 9 faculties and over 53 academic programs, PUCV offers diversity in study, and beauty in location.

Academics

The language of instruction at PUCV is Spanish. Class options are extremely diverse with some possible subjects including business administration and economics, agricultural sciences, oceanographic sciences, art and architecture, natural and basic sciences, law, religion sciences, education, humanities and engineering. For course information, visit each program's

website through: http://www.ucv.cl/p3_carrera/site/port/carreras.html. Spanish language courses and culture courses taught in English are also offered at: http://ucv.altavoz.net/prontus_unidacad/site/artic/20100921/pags/20100921111551.html

Housing & Meals

PUCV does not offer residence halls on campus, but they do help arrange home stays, apartments, or hotels for students. They highly recommend students stay with host families.

Cost Information

Students pay their regular tuition to UM, and their room and board in Valparaiso. The average cost of staying with a

host family is US\$3,000/semester, meals included. Apartments cost about US\$400/month, plus US\$200/month for food. UM financial aid can be applied to tuition, living and travel expenses while on this program.

Credit Transfer

Students register for classes upon arrival in Valparaiso. The minimum full-time load is 180 hours of class per semester, which transfers to 12 UM credits per semester.

Program Dates

Program dates follow PUCV's southern hemisphere schedule.
Semester 1: March to mid-July
Semester 2: late July to December

Valparaiso, Chile

The City

Built upon bluffs looking over the Pacific Ocean, Valparaiso is a true beauty among Chile's cities. Rich architecture, cobblestone alleyways and an intensely lively culture have all landed Valparaiso on the list of UNESCO World Heritage Sites. The city is located just 60 miles northwest of Santiago and is one of the most important, both historic and current, seaports in Chile.

Part of Valparaiso's lure is the long list of inspired artists whose have made it their home, including Pablo Neruda and the Nicaraguan poet Rubén Darío. The city is the birthplace of several historically significant figures as well, including Augusto Pinochet and Salvador Allende.

Valparaiso is famous for its never ending nightlife, especially its bohemian pubs where poets,

writers, tango aficionados, sailors, students, and just about everybody else dance and socialize until the early morning.

The nearby Andes mountains provide outdoor activities galore, including trekking, kayaking, climbing, horseback riding, and skiing. Chile offers the best of all worlds, beaches and mountains, active volcanoes, fjords, and glaciers.