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# Partner University Exchange

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

## FAST FACTS

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

## SANTIAGO AND TEMUCO AT A GLANCE

### Population:

Santiago: 7,200,000  
Temuco: 300,000

### Climate:

Warm days and cool nights most of the year (altitude of 1,700 ft)

### Santiago to:

Valparaiso: 60 miles  
Talca: 239 miles  
Buenos Aires: 703 miles  
Temuco: 433 miles

## Universidad Mayor

Universidad Mayor (U Mayor) is a young university, founded in 1988. There are six campuses located in Chile's capital city, Santiago, as well as a campus located in Temuco in the forested region of southern Chile. 15,000 students are currently studying at U Mayor, 500 of which are international students.

### Academics

The language of instruction at U Mayor is Spanish. Students may take courses in any of the school's departments: Medicine, Dentistry, Forestry & Agriculture, Architecture, Psychology, Engineering, Art, Economics and Business, Education, Communications and New Technologies, Biotechnology, and Design.

Course details can be found through each degree at: <http://www.umayor.cl/catalogo/carreras.php?img=k>. 4 week long intensive Spanish courses are available at either campus.

### Housing & Meals

Exchange students may choose to live with a Chilean family, in an apartment, or in one of several student lodging houses (not affiliated with U Mayor). Meals are included with the home stays, and other lodging choices come with kitchens.

### Cost Information

Students pay their regular tuition to UM and their room and board to U Mayor. Home stays cost CLP265,600/month, 3 meals/day included. Apartments and student lodging houses cost about CLP139,000/month. Food

costs about CLP210,000. Visas to study in Chile cost US\$100 and requires an FBI background check that takes up to 3 months to process before applying for your visa. UM financial aid can be applied to tuition, living and travel expenses while on this program.

### Credit Transfer

Students will register for classes upon arrival at U Mayor. The minimum full-time load is 180 hours of class per semester (four to five classes), which transfer to 12 UM credits per semester.

### Program Dates

Program dates reflect U Mayor's southern hemisphere schedule.  
Semester 1: late February to July  
Semester 2: late July to December

## Santiago and Temuco, Chile

### Santiago

Santiago, the capital of Chile, is located on the Mapocho River. It is the political, commercial, and financial heart of the nation. The city was founded in 1541 by Pedro de Valdivia between the hill of Santa Lucia and the Mapocho River; today the city has spread over a broad valley plain and is one of the largest cities in South America. The snowcapped Andes form a

spectacular backdrop to the East. Buildings from the colonial era remain, but the atmosphere of Santiago is modern. Spacious parks, plazas, gardens and wide avenues allow for peaceful strolls. The city is also home to several major sports stadiums, hotspots during the soccer season.

### Temuco

Temuco is located 430 miles south of Santiago, and is found in

a beautifully forested region of Chile. The region has a high population of Chile's indigenous people, the Mapuche.

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