

Study Abroad in

MEXICO

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Total Student Enrollment: 12, 000

Language of instruction: Spanish and some courses in English

UPAEP has Servicie Learning programs.

Spanish as a Second Language and Regular University Courses (English): Spanish language courses are offered in addition to regular classes during the semester and academic year at multiple levels. Language classes are offered at different levels from A1- C1.

PROGRAM DATES

Semester 1: mid-August to mid –December

Semester 2: mid- January to mid –May

Academic Year: Middle of August to middle of May

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http://www.upaep.mx/interna tionalaffairs



UPAEP is located just two blocks from the touristic Juarez Avenue and a few blocks from Puebla's historic downtown which is considered an UNESCO World Heritage Site, being comprised of buildings of colonial architecture. Our Campus has a very attractive location; we could say that it is an urban campus; it is located in the middle of the city, just a few blocks from the historic downtown. This is ideal for the student who wants to know the real and daily Mexican life. Also, the UPAEP campus is perfectly aligned with the public transportation and towards different point of the city. There are many shopping centers, movie theaters, and night club nearby.

LOCATION OF PUEBLA CITY

Puebla is located in the heart of Mexico, in the country's central zone, just 127 kms (70 miles) Southeast of Mexico City, near Veracruz, Acapulco, The Mayan Riviera and other cities.

Puebla is the fourth largest metropolitan city in Mexico, with a population of nearly two million people, and is considered the city of the student, and one of the most important, beautiful and peaceful cities in the country, due to its history and the industrial development. Puebla is a good place to acquaint oneself to Mexican traditions and culture.



Language Requirements

The student has to fill out the application form, the language proficiency evaluation and write statement of purpose in Spanish.

Once the student arrives at UPAEP, during the orientation week, he/she will be given an oral and written Spanish-level exam. This way we can assign the student to the appropriate Spanish class.

The Spanish classes are part of the benefits offered to non spanish-speaking exchange students, whether it be for improving their Spanish or for learning at a basic level.

The students can combine their academic classes with their language classes perfectly.

Prep-Language Scholarship

UPAEP are currently offering 1 week of prep-language course, before the student being the classes. This program offers:

Language preparation course prior to the beginning of the semester in which students will practice and learn Spanish before they start classes.

The scholarship will include the Spanish course, cultural activities and housing during one week (students will have to pay for their own meals). After completion of the program, students will begin their regular semester where they will be able to choose or combine the following options:

- 1) Continue taking Spanish language classes
- 2) Take content-based classes taught in Spanish with other Mexican students
- 3) Take content-based classes taught in English with other Mexican students
- 4) Doing Liberal Arts Service Learning

This course will allow study abroad students to be more adjusted, prepared and confident to take classes in Spanish and to live in Puebla.

Arrival Date for the Prep-Language Scholarship Program: January 6th 2014



PASSPORT AND VISA INFORMATION

The Mexican office of "Secretaria de Relaciones Exteriores", regulates this process and the information is shows in the SRE web page: http://www.inm.gob.mx/index.php?page/Paises_visa

The Student VISA depends upon the length of the stay for studying. All students who will be studying in Mexico for more than 180 days must complete the process to get the Student VISA. The International Affairs office from UPAEP will provide the acceptance letter for ask the Student VISA.

If the students will be in México less than 180 days (6 months), They will not need to do the VISA process. The International Affairs office from UPAEP will provide the acceptance letter for each incoming student. The acceptance letter will confirm the reason of the students travel. When the students will arrive to Mexico, They will show the acceptance letter to the Migration officers, then the officers will give to the students a migration form (FMM). The students only have to make sure that they give the form with the following sign: "visitante con actividades no lucrativas"

Academic and Enrollment Information:

You can see the class options through the following link:

http://www.upaep.mx/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=143&Itemid=12

Website for the **Course Catalog**

The students may take classes from different majors or areas of study.

The classes which the students must choose for the Fall semester (August-December) are the classes under odd numbered semesters, the spring semester classes (January-May), are those under even numbers.

About the credits:

All the courses in UPAEP have academic credits. (Regular courses in Spanish and in English as well the Spanish language courses

Most of the courses have 6 credits and 1 UPAEP credit is equal to 1 ECTS credits

Academic Calendar:

	Spring Semester 2014
Application Deadline	December 2 nd 2013
Arrival Date for The Prep-Language Scholarship Program.	January 6 th 2014
The 2 nd date for Preferred Arrival Date for the students who don't going to take the Prep-Language Scholarship Program's	January 10 th 2014

We have a specific date and time for student pick-up at the Benito Juarez Airport in Mexico Citv.

The students must arrive on the UPAEP arrival date before 6:00pm if they want to be picked up by us. Otherwise, they will have to take another form of transportation to Puebla from their chosen port of arrival.

Registration/Orientation January 13rd until 17th, 2014

week

It is mandatory

Orientation Week: one week before the term begins.

- **Lectures about Puebla and the cultural shock**
- **UPAEP's Academic topics**
- Migration procedures workshop
- Meeting with the International Students Club,
- Campus Tour
- Puebla's Downtown Tour, Cholula's Archeological site
- Welcome Mexican Party

Classes Start	January 20 th , 2014
Classes End	May 23 rd , 2014
Last week of Semester/	May 19 th -23 th , 2014
Exam Period	
Preferred Departure Date	May 25 th , 2014



Services & **Facilities**

UPAEP's campus has much to offer to international students including cultural and sports activities.

The international students may participate in several social activities through the International **Affairs** Department, such as: The Welcome Lunch, Farewell dinner, free Latin dance class, international experience competition, trips to Mexico City and Oaxaca and more activities organized by our UPAEP students (International Student Club) who committed to integrating international students into the university and are always glad the international help students with anything and introduce them to life in Puebla. Any International student can ask for assigned student "buddies"

UPAEP Facilities UPAEP Sport UPAEP Cultural Activities



EXPENSE ESTIMATE Máximum

Educational Expenses Housing: Meals:

Books/Supplies: Personal/Miscellaneous: Local Transportation: Insurance:

COST PER MONTH 3,000 Mexican pesos

\$ 2,500 Mexican pesos

400 Mexican pesos \$ 1,000 Mexican pesos

\$ 1,000 Mexican pesos 300 Mexican pesos

TOTAL: \$8,200 pesos mexicanos

Ask to your Study Aboard Coordinator how to apply to UPAEP

Contact for Incoming students: intercam@upaep.mx

graphic design, film studies

and audiovisual production.

Business: business administration and logistics, economics, international trade, hospitality marketing, management, finance, accounting, culinary

Health Sciences: dentistry, medicine, nursing, occupational therapy, nutrition.

Social **Sciences:** communications, law, political science, international relations.

Humanities: pedagogy philosophy, (education), psychology, educational psychology, humanities, literature and history.

Science and Engineering: agriculture [animal & plant sciences], veterinary medicine, mechatronics, chemical engineering, civil engineering, environmental engineering, biotechnological engineering, industrial engineering, electronic engineering, bionics, autoparts manufacturing, automotive design, software and computer systems engineering, information

Technology.