

Veritas University

San José, Costa Rica

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C O S T A R I C A

In cooperation with International Studies Abroad (ISA), students can participate in the Spanish Language and Electives program at Veritas University in San José. Approximately 1,500 Costa Rican and 150 international students study at Veritas each term.

Location

Veritas University is located in the capital, San José (325,000), which offers many museums, galleries, restaurants, and nightclubs. San José is an excellent location from which to explore the rest of Costa Rica. The country is proud of its conservation efforts and has set aside nearly a quarter of the country to protected land. Mountains, beaches, volcanoes, and rainforests make up this diverse country. Politically, Costa Rica is one of the most stable nations in Latin America and boasts one of the highest literacy rates in the region.

Areas of Study

Spanish Language and Electives. Students will take a total of four classes, including at least two courses of intensive Spanish language. Some electives are taught in English. Your classmates will be other U.S. and international students. For more information on available courses, please visit the website above and select the Veritas University Spanish Language and Electives program.

Students who have two or more years of university-level Spanish language background and who plan to take classes with Costa Rican students should apply to the IFSA-Butler programs at the Universidad de Costa Rica or the Universidad Nacional Autónoma, two other University of Denver study abroad programs in Costa Rica.

Academic Calendar

Fall Quarter: September - December

Winter Quarter: January - April

Spring Quarter: April - June

Activities

Costa Rica's conservation efforts of the country make this an ideal location for students interested in exploring the beaches, rainforests, and volcanoes. For urbanites, San José offers a modern setting with most amenities.

Accommodations

You will live with a Costa Rican family. The homestay family offers a cross-generational perspective of the culture in addition to the opportunity to practice Spanish language. Three meals a day are included.

Eligibility

You must be in good academic and disciplinary standing at the University of Denver with a minimum GPA of 2.5. To participate in this program as a Cherrington Global Scholar, you must have a minimum 3.0 GPA. Host universities/programs reserve the right to admit students.

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Program Cost

Because this is a University of Denver Program, you will pay DU directly for your term abroad. Fees include the following:

- University of Denver tuition
- University of Denver technology fee
- University of Denver study abroad housing
- University of Denver study abroad meals
- **If you are not participating as a Cherrington Global Scholar, a \$50 application fee; no additional program fee applies to this site.**

DU institutional aid, along with federal or state financial aid other than work-study, will apply to the DU program cost. Please meet with a Study Abroad Advisor for information about the Cherrington Global Scholars program and for current program costs. Details on the costs for study abroad can also be found on the Study Abroad Office website (www.du.edu/intl/abroad) under “Study Abroad Policies.”

HOW TO APPLY

All application materials are due to the DU Study Abroad Office before the deadline.

Application Deadlines

January 18: **Priority Deadline** for Fall Quarter or Academic Year

March 14: Regular Deadline for Fall Quarter or Academic Year

October 1: Deadline for Winter Quarter

February 1: Deadline for Spring Quarter

Application Checklist

- University of Denver application including:
 - University of Denver Study Abroad Application on MyWeb
 - Academic advisor’s signature on your completed and printed online application form
 - DU short-answer essays
 - Authorization to Release Information form
 - Risks, Responsibilities Agreement and Release form
 - Student Responsibility Statement form
 - Official transcript(s) from other universities attended, if applicable
 - Cherrington petition. *Speak to your study abroad advisor about the petition process if you are not eligible for Cherrington.*
 - \$50 application fee, if you are not eligible for Cherrington
- International Studies Abroad (ISA) application including:
 - ISA Application
 - Photocopy of ISA application
 - University of Denver students do NOT need to submit the \$200 ISA deposit for this program.*