

UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL

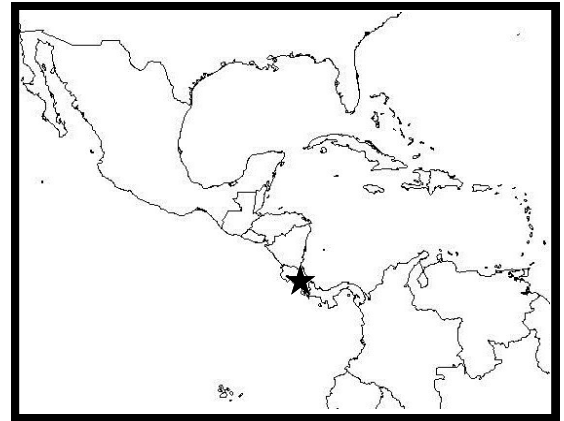
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APPLICATION DEADLINE*

February 8: all terms for 2012-2013 academic year

ELIGIBILITY

GPA: 3.0
6 quarters of college-level Spanish
Enrollment is limited.



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This program includes the following opportunities:

- Internships
- Service Learning
- Community/Field Study
- Research
- Community Service

CALENDAR

SEMESTER 2 (U.S. FALL): JULY—NOVEMBER
SEMESTER 1 (U.S. SPRING): JANUARY—JUNE

PROGRAM

This program is coordinated by the Institute for Study Abroad (IFSA)-Butler University. The Universidad Nacional (UNA) has 15,000 students. Students on the IFSA-Butler program come from a variety of U.S. universities. You are required to take Advanced Spanish Language with the other IFSA-Butler students, and may opt to take one additional program course designed for IFSA-Butler students. Program courses include Social History of Costa Rica and 20th Century Latin American Literature. Your remaining courses are integrated with host country degree-seeking students. You are required to take at least 15 semester (22.5 quarter) hours, and may bring back up to 27 quarter credits from this semester-long program.

ACADEMICS

All classes are taught in Spanish, and all participants will take a mandatory Spanish language class. UNA offers a wide range of courses, and is well known for Latin American studies, business, psychology, fine arts, economics, sociology, and environmental studies programs. You will not register for classes until you are in Costa Rica, but can review the facultades available through the links on IFSA-Butler's website. Tutoring is available through the program.

COST

Billed by DU:

- DU Tuition
- DU Technology Fee
- Study Abroad Housing
- Study Abroad Meals

Non-Cherrington Scholars will be charged a \$50 application fee.

LOCATION: HEREDIA, COSTA RICA

The Universidad Nacional is located in Heredia (pop. 103,000). The campus is located on the east side of the city, close to downtown. This colonial city in the central valley, and is surrounded by coffee plantations. Heredia provides a small college town environment with easy access to the city of San José. San José is an arts friendly city, and home to museums, theatre, and other cultural offerings. Costa Rica is proud of its conservation efforts and has set aside nearly a quarter of the country as protected land.

HOUSING & MEALS

Students will live with a Costa Rican host family, which will provide you with additional opportunities for cultural immersion. Many students comment that interaction with the host family is one of the best ways to enhance Spanish language skills. Three meals per day are included.

CULTURAL CONNECTIONS

Take advantage of volunteer opportunities arranged by IFSA-Butler and your university—you'll get a chance to practice your Spanish skills and meet Costa Ricans outside the university context. While there is much to see in Costa Rica, don't forget to get to know your host city. Spend time with your host family, and most importantly, speak Spanish! It is up to YOU to make the most of your study abroad experience!

Student Costs**:

The cost of living varies in other cities and countries. Talk to returnees from the program to find out what personal expenses to expect, but remember that they vary by lifestyle. Check www.xe.com for current exchange rates.

IFSA-Butler offers scholarships; check their [website](#) for details.

***Instructions on how to apply are on the back of this flyer →**

**For more details on student expenses, refer to DU's web site: <http://www.du.edu/intl/abroad/costs.html>

HOW TO APPLY

⇒ **Attend Study Abroad 101**

Held weekdays at the I-House. See website for schedule (www.du.edu/intl/abroad/info_sessions.html).

⇒ **Attend a Regional Advising Session**

Mandatory if you are considering a Spanish-speaking country. See website for schedule (same link as above).

⇒ **Meet with an international education advisor.**

Learn about your options and get answers to your questions.

⇒ **Apply for a passport—<http://travel.state.gov/passport>**

If you already have one, make sure you know where it is and when it expires.

⇒ **Apply to study abroad!**

If you are convinced the program described on this flyer is right for you, follow the steps below to apply.

ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED. THIS IS A LIMITED-ENROLLMENT PROGRAM.

DU APPLICATION: DUE FEBRUARY 8

- University of Denver Study Abroad Application on [MyWeb](#)
- Academic Advisor's signature on your completed and printed online application form
- DU short-answer essays
- Official transcript(s) from other universities attended, if applicable
- Non-Cherrington students will be charged a \$50 application fee to their DU account.

Notes: *Cherrington status may be revoked at any time due to a change in your student conduct or academic status. Also, The OIE will request your DU transcript; check and clear any holds now to avoid delays in processing your application!*

PROGRAM APPLICATION: DUE AFTER YOU'VE BEEN NOMINATED

- Once you have been nominated for this program, you will be required to submit the following:
 - IFSA-Butler online application at <http://www.ifsabutler.org/apply/apply-online.html>—submit printed
 - confirmation email.
- IFSA Butler [supplemental forms](#) for intermediate & advanced Spanish-speaking programs, including:
 - Agreements and Releases
 - Undergraduate Program Approval
 - IFSA-Butler Recommendation form (you may submit a hard copy, or use IFSA online recommendation tool)
 - Spanish Language Report (you may submit a hard copy, or use IFSA online recommendation tool)
 - Photocopy of your passport
 - Eight (8) passport-sized photos (2x2). Please print your name on the back of each photo, and place them in a sealed envelope.
- Optional: IFSA-Butler scholarship application. See www.ifsabutler.org for more information.



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