



Universidade de São Paulo - Practical Information

Universidade de São Paulo is one of Brazil's largest and most prestigious universities, offering a wide range of courses in Portuguese. The city of São Paulo is among the world's most populous and diverse, with thriving Japanese, Arab, and European communities. The city is renowned for its restaurants, and, like many Brazilian cities, its nightlife.

Website

- Main website: <http://www5.usp.br/english/?lang=en>
- International office: <http://www.usp.br/internationaloffice/en/>

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Application Deadlines

First semester: **October 15th**

Second semester: **May 5th**

Further information on
application procedure:



<http://www.usp.br/internationaloffice/en/index.php/admissions/undergraduate/exchange-student>

Exchange student FAQ: http://www.usp.br/internationaloffice/en/wp-content/uploads/FAQ_english.pdf

Semester Dates

- First semester: February-June
- Second semester: August-December

Courses

All courses at USP are taught in Portuguese. Some courses may require prerequisites, which will be waived where proof of previous studies compare with USP's requirements. For course guide, see: <http://www5.usp.br/english/education/undergraduate/courses-offered/?lang=en>

Accommodation

USP does not provide housing for exchange students. However, the International Office can recommend hostels specialized in receiving exchange students for your arrival. Requests can be sent to: infohousing@usp.br.

Language Requirements

Since courses at USP are only offered in Portuguese, it is important that students have an intermediate level of the language. A certificate of language proficiency, however, is not required.

Exchange students are welcome to attend an intensive Portuguese course throughout the semester. For more information, see: <http://clinguas.fflch.usp.br/>

Visa and Travel Information

Canadian citizens must apply for a student visa if they wish to study in Brazil. It is recommended that you apply for a visa **well in advance** before booking your flight. You must be accepted to study at USP before applying for your student visa.

Exchange students must have valid health insurance in Brazil.

For Brazil travel advice and advisories, see: <https://travel.gc.ca/destinations/brazil>

For more information on studying abroad in Brazil, see: <http://studyinbrazil.com.br/en/>

Cost of Living in São Paulo (BRL - Brazilian Real)

Restaurants

Meal (inexpensive restaurant)	\$26 BRL
Meal (2 people, mid-range restaurant, three-course)	\$120 BRL
McDonalds combo	\$25 BRL
Domestic Beer (0.5 l)	\$6 BRL
Imported Beer (0.33 l)	\$15 BRL
Cappuccino	\$5.59 BRL
Coke/Pepsi (0.33 l)	\$4.18 BRL
Water (0.33 l)	\$2.64 BRL

Markets

Milk (1 l)	\$3.44 BRL
Loaf of bread (500g)	\$4.99 BRL
Rice (1kg)	\$4.01 BRL
Eggs (12)	\$6.57 BRL
Local cheese (1kg)	\$26.94 BRL
Chicken Breasts (1kg)	\$12.80 BRL
Apples (1kg)	\$7.46 BRL
Potato (1kg)	\$5.04 BRL
Bottle of wine (good quality)	\$30 BRL

Transportation

One-way ticket (local transport)	\$3.80 BRL
Monthly pass	\$148.50 BRL
Taxi (1km)	\$2.75 BRL

Rent (monthly)

Apartment (1 bedroom) in city centre	\$1,919.16 BRL
Apartment (1 bedroom) outside of centre	\$1,360.00 BRL
Apartment (3 bedrooms) in city centre	\$3,620.48 BRL
Apartment (3 bedrooms) outside of centre	\$2,550.62 BRL