# Universidad de Guanajuato

“Truth Shall Set You Free”

## Fact Sheet 2017-2018

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| Web page:                             | www.ugto.mx/internacional |

## Important dates

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<th>Event</th>
<th>International Summer Research Program 2017</th>
<th>Optional Pre-Semester Spanish Language Course</th>
<th>Semester 1</th>
<th>Semestre 2</th>
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<td>Compulsory Orientation &amp; Registration</td>
<td>June 8th to 9th, 2017</td>
<td>July 3rd, 2017</td>
<td>July 27th to Aug 5th, 2017</td>
<td>January 22nd - 26th, 2018</td>
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<td>Academic Period</td>
<td>June 8th - July 30th, 2017</td>
<td>July 3rd - 28th, 2017</td>
<td>Aug 7th - Dec 10th, 2017</td>
<td>January 29th - June 1st, 2018</td>
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<td>Fees</td>
<td>Partial airfare reimbursement (Up to $7,000 pesos) and partial room and board ($5,000 pesos) scholarships may apply</td>
<td>Regular fee 2017: 780USD</td>
<td>Tuition waiver</td>
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### Academic Information

- **International Summer Research Program**
  - Basic or Intermediate Level of Spanish Language required
  - 10 week program with host family accommodation
  - Research project to be presented in a national congress under supervision of a researcher. ISBN publication.
  - Optional Spanish Language Course. Fee 2017: 780USD
  - Weekend trips and Socio-Cultural activities
  - Community Work
  - Credit Transfer option
  - Airport pick up included
  - More information at [www.ugto.mx/internacional/summer](http://www.ugto.mx/internacional/summer)

- **Students with Basic Level of Spanish Language**
  - Full year option:
    - Optional Pre-semester Spanish Language & Mexican Culture Program (Regular fee 2017: 780USD)
    - 1 Semester of Spanish language courses (full time) + 1 mandatory semester of regular academic courses
    - The Spanish Language Semester for Exchange Students costs only 35 USD. Regular price is about 850 USD
  - Hybrid semester option:
    - Optional Pre-semester Spanish Language & Mexican Culture Program (Regular fee 2017: 780USD)
    - Two Spanish Language Courses + Two basic regular academic courses (low level courses, introductory courses)
    - Optional extension for an additional semester only for regular academic courses

- **Students with Intermediate or Advanced level of Spanish Language**
  - Regular semester option
    - Optional Pre-semester Spanish Language & Mexican Culture Program (Regular fee 2017: 780USD)
    - At least four regular academic courses per semester
    - Optional extension for an additional semester only for regular academic courses

### Types of Exchange

- **Areas of study not open to exchange students**
  - All higher education programs in our 4 Campus (Celaya-Salvatierra, Guanajuato, Irapuato-Salamanca y León) are offered to exchange students. **However, acceptance will only be granted to one Campus.**
  - Foreign language courses offered in Campus Guanajuato cost is 380 pesos per semester (same price for local students). **Language courses do not grant academic credits and are excluded of the full time academic load of at least 4 courses**
| Exchange students benefits                  | 1. Reception at BJX airport.  
|                                            | 2. Visa registration and migration advisory  
|                                            | 3. Student ID Card.  
|                                            | 4. Local tours.  
|                                            | 5. Access to Universidad de Guanajuato libraries.  
|                                            | 7. Seminar: Welcome to Mexico and Intercultural Communication  
|                                            | 8. Participation in activities organized by the International Office.  
|                                            | 9. Participation in various sports teams & activities.  
|                                            | 10. Facilitate contact to the student’s country embassies in Mexico city.  
|                                            | 11. Weekly information on cultural activities taking place in Guanajuato State.  
|                                            | 12. Contacts for medical and hospital services.  
|                                            | 13. Psychological care.  
|                                            | 15. Various field trips to other Mexico cities.  
|                                            | 16. University email (@ugto.mx)  
|                                            | 17. Community volunteer work experience.  
|                                            | 18. Participation in various local student activities.  
|                                            | 19. Access to various cafeterias within campuses.  
|                                            | 20. Participation at the International Fair to show their countries and universities  
|                                            | 21. Photo Contest  
|                                            | 22. A Faculty Advisor  
|                                            | 23. Campus WiFi  

| Language of instruction                  | Spanish proficiency according to the Type of Exchange chosen by the student.  
|                                         | (See above)  

| Courses information                      | [http://www.ugto.mx/oferta-academica/licenciaturas](http://www.ugto.mx/oferta-academica/licenciaturas)  
|                                         | Subject syllabus available under request. Please ask them by emailing subject names to [internacional@ugto.mx](mailto:internacional@ugto.mx)  
|                                         | Please consider that UG has 4 campus in 7 different cities (Guanajuato, Leon, Irapuato, Salamanca, Yuriria, Salvatierra and Celaya) More information:  
|                                         | [http://www.ugto.mx](http://www.ugto.mx)  

| Grade system                             | 10 - Excellent / 9 - Very good / 8 - Good / 7 - Sufficient / 6.5 or less - Fail  

| Mandatory course load                    | 4 courses or 15 academic hours/week/semester. Language courses excluded.  

| Transcript issuing and delivery          | Mid-February and mid-August for the previous semester  

Nomination process

1.- Please nominate your students on time by sending us an email to cooperacion@ugto.mx containing their complete name, copy of passport and email account. PLEASE MENTION THE TYPE OF EXCHANGE (see page 2) YOUR STUDENT IS APPLYING TO. Please do not include any additional document. We will acknowledge receipt.

2.- As soon as we receive this information, we will register your students in our electronic system http://www.dca.ugto.mx

3.- You and your student will receive instructions and his / her LOGIN and PASSWORD by email to complete the online application at the latest two weeks after your nomination date. No completion of online application by the deadline is a cause of no acceptance.

4.- The student will pre-register the courses and will upload a copy of the following documents online:
   a) Copy of Official Transcript
   b) Spanish language proficiency letter (Null, Basic, Intermediate or Advanced). Only students for whose Spanish is not their native language.
   c) Passport (picture sheet only) o Birth Certificate for Mexicans.
   d) Artistic Portfolio (only for students applying to Fine Arts and Music courses)

5.- University of Guanajuato will send the corresponding letter of acceptance to the CONTACT PERSON that has been registered in step 1.

6.- Please feel free to share your comments and questions to cooperacion@ugto.mx
### Additional Information

#### Travel Information

In making travel plans, students should allow enough time for both air travel and ground transportation in order to arrive at the host campus during regular office hours (9:00 to 15:00 hours).

The international airport of Guanajuato State is Airport Bajío (BJX). Please notify arrival information at least two weeks in advance. A representative from the University will meet the student at the Airport Bajío (BJX) if stated in our agreement. Travel time from Airport to:

1. Leon city is approximately 20 minutes
2. Guanajuato city is approximately 30 minutes
3. Irapuato city is approximately 40 minutes
4. Salamanca city is approximately 60 minutes
5. Celaya city is approximately 90 minutes
6. Salvatierra is approximately 90 minutes
7. Yuriria is approximately 120 minutes

A taxi from the airport to Guanajuato costs approximately 400-550 pesos. We will not provide transportation for students arriving to other airport.

Students can apply for Airport of Leon/Bajio (BJX) pick up by Universidad de Guanajuato at the following website: [https://es.surveymonkey.com/s/airport-pickup](https://es.surveymonkey.com/s/airport-pickup)

#### Housing Options

- **University Hotel:** Hotel Guanajuato. Special prices for exchange students: 500 pesos per night in double or single room.
- **Options:** Host families, boarding house and hostels.
- **Online housing application submitted by the student.**
- **Service includes 19 meals per week and it costs $4,500 pesos (shared room) or $5,500 pesos (single room) per month. Restrictions may apply.**

#### Estimated Living Costs per month

- **Shared apartment costs around $5,500 pesos/month.** Usually students stay during the first days in a Youth Hostel (Aprox $300 pesos per night).
- **Meals cost:** around $3,500 pesos/month
- **Transportation cost:** around $300 pesos/month

#### Medical Insurance Information

International students must purchase an international insurance before arrival including:
- Repatriation of remains
- Minimum $80,000 Hospitalization
- Medical Evacuation
- Legal assistance
- Transportation of relatives in case of hospitalization

Mexican students must be registered to IMSS or ISSSTE or preferably a private medical insurance.

**The University of Guanajuato has agreed discounts with insurance companies that have agreements with local hospitals. If you need suggestions, send an email to internacional@ugto.mx**

Students must pay complementary university insurance. Cost of the insurance is approximately 100 pesos per semester.
### Migration

For most of the nationalities, if the studies will be for less than 180 days, a Student Visa is not required. The student must only show the original letter of acceptance to the migration officer at the Mexico entry port. The officer will grant a migration permit as student (FMM) for 180 days.

For any nationality, if the studies will be for more than 180 days, the student must apply for a Student Visa at any Mexico Embassy of Consulate abroad before traveling to Mexico. During the first 30 days after arrival, the student must apply for a National Registry of Foreigners to the National Institute of Migration.

In any case, if the student wants to apply for an extension of studies to more than 180 days, he/she must also apply for a Student Visa at any Mexico Embassy or Consulate abroad. It is not possible to apply for a Student Visa in Mexico.

Please contact the closest Mexican Consulate to confirm this information as well as to ask if your nationality is under specific restrictions.

More information go to:
- [http://www.inami.gob.mx](http://www.inami.gob.mx)
- [http://www.sre.gob.mx](http://www.sre.gob.mx)

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