Universidad del Pacífico (UP) is a private university established in 1962 by a group of Peruvian entrepreneurs supported by the Jesuit community. Today, it has become specialized in the areas of economics and business administration. In the past three decades, UP has been ranked as the most prestigious higher education institution in its fields of specialization in Peru, and among the leading institutions of its kind in the Latin American region.

At the moment, we have approximately 4,500 students enrolled at the undergraduate level, and 1,400 students enrolled in graduate programs. Our Graduate School has been consistently included among the Top 25 Business Schools in Latin America throughout the last decade. We also are AACSB and AMBA accredited.

The academic year at UP at the undergraduate level consists of 2 semesters. The first semester begins in mid-March and ends in July; the second semester begins in mid-August and ends in mid-December. A break of approximately 3 to 4 weeks occurs in between both semesters.

**PROGRAMS AVAILABLE:**

1. **SUMMER PROGRAM**
   These programs last around 2 weeks and students can choose among courses taught in Spanish and English as well as Spanish Language courses. Summer programs are offered in Lima & Cusco.

2. **EXCHANGE PROGRAM**
   **Regular term dates:**
   - Spring: March - July
   - Fall: August - December
   **Important dates:**
   2018-I
   On line nomination: December 05, 2017 (Coordinator)
   On line registration and sending of documents: January 15, 2018 (Student)
   2018-II
   On line nomination: May 15, 2018 (Coordinator),
   On line registration and sending of documents: June 15, 2018 (Student)
   **Registration:**
   Along with their Application Form and documents, students may submit a pre-selection of courses they would like to take at Universidad del Pacifico. Students who have been selected by their universities to study at Universidad del Pacífico as exchange students must send the following documents to process their applications:
   - The printed application form. You can find it in the following link: [www.up.edu.pe/internacional](http://www.up.edu.pe/internacional)
   - Transcripts of their university. They will be received only in original or certified photocopy their own university.

   **Important:** Our semesters consist of 16 weeks. Out of those, 14 weeks correspond to classes: one week for the mid-terms and another one for final exams.

3. **TAILORED PROGRAMS & TRAVEL SEMINARS**
   Universidad del Pacifico organizes study trips for small groups of foreign students and professors interested in acquiring a closer knowledge of the economic, entrepreneurial, political and social reality of Peru.

   The program includes lectures, visits to multinational corporations based in Peru and tours to archaeological sites in Lima.

   It is necessary that at least 10 students are enrolled in the program. However, these programs may be organized at any time during the year to accommodate visitor’s needs.

   It is not necessary for the interested institutions to have subscribed an agreement with our university in order to request the organization of an academic visit program.
COMING TO PERU: WHAT TO KNOW

Housing Options:
Universidad del Pacífico does not have student dormitories. However, the International Office does provide information and assistance to exchange students on accommodation in a student house (privately run dorms), live in a family home or rent a flat (apartment) in the city.

Monthly rents are about US$ 300 to US$ 400 for a room at a student house sharing the common living areas and kitchen.

Visa:
Students must send their flight tickets indicating the date of arriving to Lima. All students who belong to Schengen countries don’t need a visa to enter Peru.

The students coming from others countries indeed need a visa. The types of visa for students under agreements are named: Official visas, and are requested for our office. Remember students are not allowed to apply for this type of visa on their own.

After submitting all documents, students will receive an email confirming that their visas have been approved. The process for an Official Visa usually takes between 2 to 6 weeks prior to the trip.

Health Insurance:
Exchange students are requested to purchase health/medical insurance in their home country. Accident or Travel Insurances are not acceptable.

Estimated Cost of Living:
Approximate costs:

- Accommodation: US$ 280 – 300 (individual) - 400/month (shared)
- Food, transportation: US$ 300-450/month
- Books, photocopying, etc.: around US$ 200/semester.