



Program Materials

Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú
Lima, Peru

In addition to our regular IFSA-Butler application, we also have information and application materials that are specific to the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú. Included in this packet are the following items:

- Academic information for the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú
- Instructions for finding courses on the Web
- Application and Compañero PUCP Information
- PUCP Application Form
- PUCP Compañero Form
- Family placement form

Once we receive your IFSA-Butler application, we will send you a packet via regular mail as well. However, this will give you a chance to get a head start on your program materials and may clear up some additional questions that you have.

Please return the PUCP application form, *compañero* form and family placement form within 10 days of applying to the program.

Academic Information for the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú

The Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú program (PUCP) in Lima is a semester or yearlong study abroad program.

The Academic Program

The program offers two mandatory classes designed specifically for IFSA-Butler students. These classes, taught in Spanish by Peruvian professors, are intended to give students an understanding of the events and elements that make Peru what it is today.

You must enroll in Academic Writing and Peruvian Culture, and Peruvian Social Reality. Your courses at the universities, combined with these mandatory program courses, must equal 15 to 17 U.S. semester credit hours.

Science and engineering courses everywhere require a high level of precision and there is little or no flexibility in the interpretation of the material. As these are fields in which there are few international students, faculty are less prone to make allowances for difficulties in the language or understanding the material for students from abroad. Students thus find that these courses are more demanding than the humanities or social sciences courses, and when this is combined with the demands of the foreign language, students can quickly discover that they are sinking. Obtaining the equivalent of an American A in these courses can be particularly difficult.

Academic Writing and Peruvian Culture (3 U.S. semester credit hours)

This mandatory class helps participants reach and perfect competence at the advanced level in Spanish language, with an emphasis on oral and written skills on both formal and informal levels. The class also emphasizes vocabulary and pronunciation. Discussions and weekly essays that focus in part on Peruvian and Latin American issues will be utilized.

Peruvian Social Reality (4 U.S. semester credit hours)

The purpose of this mandatory course is to help students reach a basic understanding of Peruvian social reality, identifying the major problems and conflicts, clarifying the relationship of the present situation in Peru to the most important social processes. While the course does not propose to offer a detailed analysis of specific issues, it does present the principal economic, social, and political problems of the country in terms of an overall analytical perspective. The course will focus on an individual research project based on the experience of each student in an NGO, which focuses upon a specific social problem in the Peruvian context.

Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú (3 to 5 U.S. semester credit hours)

The Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú serves more than 17,000 students in 42 undergraduate majors and 72 graduate programs. Classes are awarded 3 to 5 U.S. semester credit hours each.

While we have included instructions on how to find the most current courses offered at the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú in this packet, updated course listings will not be available until a month before the program starts. You will register for courses once you arrive in Peru.

See sample PUCP registrations below:

Sample Registration #1

Course Title	Credit Hours	Institution
Advanced Academic Writing and Peruvian Culture	3	Program Course
Peruvian Social Reality	4	Program Course
Ethnography of the Amazon	5	PUCP
Andean Thought	3.5	PUCP
Total credit hours = 15.5		

Sample Registration #2

Course Title	Credit Hours	Institution
Advanced Academic Writing and Peruvian Culture	3	Program Course
Peruvian Social Reality	4	Program Course
Biogeography and Environmental Management	5	PUCP
Peruvian Countryside and Development	5	PUCP
Total credit hours = 17		

Sample Registration #3

Course Title	Credit Hours	Institution
Advanced Academic Writing and Peruvian Culture	3	Program Course
Peruvian Social Reality	4	Program Course
Seminar: Iconography	3.5	PUCP
History of Archaeological Theory	5	PUCP
Total credit hours = 15.5		

Peruvian Credit Conversion

Peruvian credits are translated to U.S. semester credit hours according to the following scale:

2 PUCP = 2.5 U.S. semester credits

3 PUCP = 3.5 U.S. semester credits

4 PUCP = 5 U.S. semester credits

The PUCP courses listed above have already been translated into U.S. semester credit hours.

Peruvian Universities and Course Availability

Course lists are available on PUCP's Web site approximately one month prior to the start of the program. Some classes have limits on the number of students who can enroll (a system you are probably familiar with at your home university); therefore, we cannot guarantee that you will be able to enroll in any course prior to the start of the semester. If you are flexible in your course choices, you probably will be able to find a course that fits your needs. However, if you need a specific course to fulfill your home institution's requirements, we probably will not be able to confirm the availability of that course or enroll you in it even if it is available. Academic flexibility and patience are requirements for studying in Latin America.

While these factors can be challenging, remember that the IFSA-Butler office in Peru is available to help you. Our staff can advise you on the best courses to take and assist you in resolving problems.

Finding Courses on the Web

In addition to the program courses, students will enroll in courses at Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú (PUCP). More information will be made available upon your arrival in Lima.

The list of courses that may be offered at Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú can be found on the university's Web site. You can access this information by taking the following steps:

1. Open the IFSA-Butler Web site (www.ifsabutler.org). Click on "Programs," then "Peru."
2. Click on "Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú" in the left side navigation bar.
3. Click on "Online Course Catalog." This will bring you to the list of *especialidades* at PUCP.
4. Click on the *especialidad* in which you are interested.
5. Click on the link for the *plan de studios* to see the course offerings. For course descriptions, click on *sumillas*.

At the beginning of the semester, you might notice that your Peruvian classmates know each other very well. This is because students enroll in *especialidades* rather than majors. *Especialidades* are similar to majors in the United States but with a more structured program of study and fewer elective courses. Therefore, students from the same *especialidad* enroll in many of, if not all, the same courses during their undergraduate career.

About a month before you arrive in Peru, PUCP will post online the most updated listing of courses available for study abroad students. You will register for classes after you arrive in Peru. The information on the Web site and in this packet serves to illustrate what courses might be available to you there.



Application and Compañero PUCP Information

Universidad Católica del Perú
Lima, Peru

We have received your application to participate on an academic program through the Institute for Study Abroad, Butler University (IFSA-Butler). Enclosed you will find a checklist indicating which parts of your application are outstanding, as well as information and application materials specific to Universidad Católica del Perú (PUCP).

Please return the following items within 10 days of receipt:

- Application Form for International Relations Office (General Application to PUCP)
 - Do **not** write your passport number if it has expired or will expire within six months of the program end date. If this applies to you, please begin the renewal process immediately.
- Compañero PUCP Form
 - This form is **not** optional for IFSA-Butler students.
 - In the "courses" section, write the types of subjects you are interested in studying, as you will not enroll until after you arrive in Peru.

Remember:

- Return your PUCP General Application and your Compañero PUCP form to IFSA-Butler.
- Keep all information we send to you, and make copies of all the materials you send to us.

If you have questions about any of these forms or about the program in general, please contact us at 800-858-0229 or ifsapilas@ifsabutler.org. We are happy to be working with you to plan a successful study abroad experience.



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APPLICATION FORM International Relations Office

This form must be completed fully and submitted to the IFSA-Butler Indianapolis office within 10 days.

Last Name _____

First Name _____

Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy) _____

Passport Number _____

Birth Place _____ Country _____

Nationality _____

University of Origin

Name _____

City _____ Country _____

Student's Condition _____ visiting student with IFSA-Butler

Spanish Level High Semester at PUCP ___ March–July ___ August–December _____ Year

Current Home Address _____

Email Address _____ Telephone Number _____

Person to contact in case of emergency/references Ashley Anderson, 800-858-0229

Address in Peru Aristides Aljovin 239 Dpto. A-2, Lima 18 Peru

Date (mm/dd/yyyy) _____ Signature _____



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COMPAÑERO PUCP FORM

International Relations Office

Each student will participate in the "Compañero PUCP" program. It matches you with a Peruvian student who will introduce you to university life and guide you during your academic stay. You must complete this form and submit it to the IFSA-Butler Indianapolis office within 10 days.

Full Name _____

Age _____ Male Female

Email Address _____

Nationality _____

Home University _____

Country _____

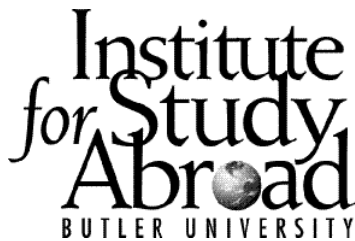
Major _____

Which courses are you thinking about taking?

Languages you speak:

Level:

Hobbies:



Family Placement Form

Programs in Latin America

Keep this page. Fill out the attached program family preference questionnaire, make a copy of it for your records, and return it to us within 10 days.

Study abroad is much more than academics. Learning takes place not only during class, but 24 hours a day. One of the best out-of-class experiences is the homestay. It is a vital, required component of our program. Additionally, living with a host family is the factor most cited as helping improve students' Spanish.

We've found that students who are happy with their housing are generally happy in their adopted country. To make the most of living with a host family, you must be flexible.

- 1. Redefine family.** Most students on our program imagine the perfect host family as one with two parents, some college-aged kids and a dog; however, we have very few families in our program that conform to that image. Generally, such families have very little time or space to commit to international students and are too busy to really interact with the international student.

On the other hand, few students enter our program excited about the prospect of living with a widow or single mother, but sometimes these less traditional families provide the best experiences. Older widows or couples have already raised their children and are familiar with the expectations of a young, newly-independent adult. Many truly enjoy the company of the student. Because we "recycle" host families that receive favorable ratings from students, we have a large number of this type of family.

- 2. Taste all the food given to you.** The foods you eat abroad will be very different from those to which you are accustomed. Even if you are certain that you will not like a new food, try it anyway out of politeness.

A special note to vegetarians: vegetarians are poorly understood in Latin America, and they are often undernourished. Before departing the United States, you should decide how strict you are going to be. You should be as flexible as you feel comfortable, and be careful to stay healthy by including enough vitamins, calcium and proteins in your diet.

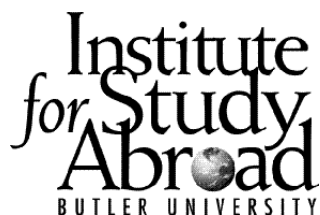
- 3. Smoking is still considered socially acceptable** in many parts of Latin America, and so the likelihood of being placed in a home where people smoke is quite high. For this reason, we cannot guarantee that you will be placed in a non-smoking household, if that is what you prefer.
- 4. Be prepared to give up some independence.** U.S. students have more disposable income and independence than young adults in other countries and societies in the world. Students in Latin America usually live at home with their parents throughout their college years, and they maintain the parent/child relationship until later in life.

Your host parents will treat you just as they are accustomed to treating others of your age group. Some students compare living with a host family to returning to high school; you will be in classes during the day and return each night to a family that is concerned about your well-being. What U.S. students may consider controlling behavior by the host family is usually a legitimate concern for their safety. Most host families relax their rules after a few weeks of getting to know the student.

- 5. What's the single most important factor?** Host family assignments are made using the information you provide on the attached questionnaire. While we try to accommodate your preferences when placing you, we can't always take all of them into account. Please indicate what is **most** important to you so we can concentrate on your top priority when placing you with a host family.

While most host families have an altruistic interest in sharing their home, culture and country with a international student, the family receives a monthly payment for the housing service it provides. As a paying guest, you should feel comfortable in your new home. If you are unhappy after a trial period of a few weeks, discuss your housing situation with our resident director. We'll help you resolve any problems.

** Please refer to the "Living with a Host Family" section of the **Preparing to Study Abroad** booklet for more detailed information.*



Family Placement Form

Por favor, completar y entregar en 10 días a:

Institute for Study Abroad, Butler University

1100 W. 42nd Street, Suite 305

Indianapolis, IN 46208-3345

317-940-9704 Fax

Nombre: _____

Programa y país: _____

Teléfono: _____ Universidad EE.UU.: _____

Sexo: Hombre Mujer Edad: _____

Argentina/Chile/ Sem. 1 (Primavera EE.UU.) Sem. 2 (Otoño EE.UU.) Verano

Costa Rica/Peru: Año Académico (Sem. 2, 1) Año (Sem. 1, 2)

Mexico: Otoño EE.UU. Primavera EE.UU. Año Académico Verano

Preguntas sobre la salud y la dieta

¿Actualmente estás bajo un programa de dieta estricto? ¿Cuán flexible es tu dieta?

¿Eres vegetariano(a)?

En caso afirmativo, ¿qué no comes?

Carne roja

Huevos

Pollo

Productos de leche

Pescado

Otro (por favor indique)

¿Eres alérgico a algún alimento?

¿Tienes alergias o condiciones médicas que requieren arreglos especiales? Por favor, explícalos. (opcional)

¿Tendrías algún inconveniente en vivir en una casa con animales domésticos?

¿Fumas productos de tabaco?

¿Tienes alergias al humo?

La familia

¿Con cuál tipo de familia prefieres vivir?

Por favor, indica tus preferencias personales de uno a cuatro.

(1=más preferido, 4=menos preferido)

_____ Familia con niños

_____ Familia con hijos de nivel universitario

_____ Familia sin hijos

_____ Mujer soltera o viuda

¿Cuál papel te gustaría hacer dentro de la familia?

Muy independiente: No te molesta si la familia está fuera de la casa la mayor parte del tiempo. Pocas actividades con la familia. Mucho tiempo y espacio para ti mismo(a).

Algo interactivo: Quieres participar en las actividades de la familia, y a la misma vez mantener tu independencia. Quieres que la familia te invite a participar en actividades tuyas, pero no sentirte obligado(a).

Muy interactivo: Deseas integrarte con la rutina diaria de la familia y ser considerado(a) como hijo o hija real. Prefieres comer la cena todas las noches con la familia.

¿Cuáles son tus afiliaciones religiosas o étnicas? (opcional)

¿Qué característica consideras más importante en una familia?

¿Qué nos falta preguntarte?

Por favor utiliza el espacio siguiente para hacer una descripción de ti mismo(a) con más detalles. Infórmanos de tus características personales (por ejemplo, conversador, muy organizado(a), tímido(a), etc.), lo que te gusta y no te gusta, deportes favoritos, pasatiempos, y otros intereses. Añade aquí cualquier otra información que consideres importante que nosotros sepamos en cuanto a tu estadía en una familia.

Solo para los estudiantes que van a la Universidad Nacional en Costa Rica:

Cuál vivienda prefieres: centro de la ciudad en los alrededores pueblos cercanos

Housing Contract

I affirm that the above information is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the Institute for Study Abroad assumes no responsibility for any problems resulting from being supplied with incorrect or incomplete information on this form, and **I also understand that once a housing assignment is given, no changes can be made.**

I understand and agree that I shall pay to IFSA-Butler all fees associated with the housing to which I am assigned as outlined in the program fee information provided to me by IFSA-Butler with my program contract.

Housing assignments are for the duration of the program, and the Institute for Study Abroad provides no alternate housing. **IFSA-Butler will not refund any sums paid for housing if a student vacates his or her housing for any reason, either voluntarily or involuntarily, before the end of the semester or term.**

I understand that while housing is guaranteed, my first choice of accommodation is not.

I understand and agree that living in housing arranged by IFSA-Butler is a requirement of the program to which I have been admitted. I further understand and agree that if I refuse or fail to live in program housing, I will be subject to dismissal from the program, withdrawal of services by IFSA-Butler, and/or loss of academic credit, with no refund of fees paid.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____