

Fact Sheet for International Partners 2023

A. General Information	
Name of University	Pontifícia Universidade Católica de São Paulo (Pontifical Catholic University of Sao Paulo)
Abbreviation	PUC-SP
Year of foundation	1946
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Campi www.pucsp.br/universidade/campi-e-unidades-suplementares	<p><i>campus</i> Monte Alegre (<i>Main campus</i>) <i>campus</i> Consolação <i>campus</i> Ipiranga (Theology) <i>campus</i> Santana (Theology) <i>campus</i> Sorocaba (<i>in the city of Sorocaba</i>)</p>

<p>Faculties / Colleges www.pucsp.br/universidade/faculdades</p>	<p>Faculty of Exact Sciences and Technology [2] Faculty of Human Sciences and Health [1] Faculty of Medical Sciences and Health [5] Faculty of Social Sciences [1] Faculty of Law [1] Faculty of Economics, Administration, Accounting and Actuarial Sciences [1] Faculty of Education [1] Faculty of Philosophy, Communication, Letters and Arts [1] Faculty of Theology [3, 4] Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies [1]</p> <p>1. <i>campus</i> Perdizes 2. <i>campus</i> Consolação 3. <i>campus</i> Ipiranga 4. <i>campus</i> Santana 5. <i>campus</i> Sorocaba</p>
<p>List of Undergraduate Programs www.pucsp.br/graduacao</p>	<p>Accounting Actuarial Sciences Administration Arts: History, Critique and Curatorship Biomedical Engineering Civil Engineering Communication and Body Art Communication and Multimedia Computer Science Cyber-Physical Systems Engineering Data Science and Artificial Intelligence Design Digital Games Economics History International Relations Journalism Languages (English and Portuguese) Law Medicine (annual) - <u>not available for Exchange program</u> Nursing Pedagogy Philosophy Physiotherapy Production Engineering Psychology Publicity and Advertising Socio-Environmental Sciences Social Sciences Social Work Speech and Listening Therapy Theology</p>
<p>Academic Calendar 2023</p>	<p>1st Semester: February 23 – July 08, 2023 2nd Semester: July 31 –December, 09 2023</p>

B. International Exchange Information	
COVID-19	In-person exchange programs were suspended until December 2021 (both for incoming and outgoing students). We resumed to in-person teaching and exchange programs in February 2022, and plan to keep them if there are no further sanitary restrictions. If that's not possible, only remote teaching will be available for incoming students.
Nomination Deadlines	1 st Semester (Feb-Jul): September 30 th of prior semester 2 nd Semester (Aug-Dec): April 30 th of prior semester
Nomination Procedure	Fill in an online form with information regarding the selected students from your university that intend to take part in an exchange program at PUC-SP. Please fill in one form for each selected student. Link to Nomination Form: http://goo.gl/forms/ZTnekgrRtb
Application Documents	<p>Application Forms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - (A) Application Form - (B) Medical Form - (C) Portuguese Level, <i>not necessary if the mother tongue of the student is Portuguese.</i> - (D) Preliminary Learning Agreement <p>** All Application Forms are available at: https://goo.gl/SSzMxY</p> <p>Application Documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Motivation letter, written by the student (in Portuguese); - Official Transcript of Records; - Photocopy of passport; - Student's <i>Curriculum Vitae</i> (in Portuguese). <p>➔ After receiving the nominations, ARII will contact the students and send instructions about the files and how to upload them.</p> <p>➔ Only the digital copies of the application forms and documents are needed.</p>
Application Deadlines	1 st Semester (Feb-Jul): October 30 th of prior semester 2 nd Semester (Aug-Dec): May 30 th of prior semester

<p>Language Requirements & Portuguese Language Course</p>	<p>Intermediate level of Portuguese is the <u>minimum required</u> for all students, given the fact that the great majority of classes offered at PUC-SP are taught in Portuguese. Applications of students with a lower level of Portuguese shall be considered; however, it may be required from these students a commitment to improve the language before the beginning of classes.</p> <p>International students are allowed to do exams and papers in English language.</p>
<p>Courses in English</p>	<p>The list of courses in English is very limited and varies from one semester to the other, because these classes are not part of our undergraduate programs' mandatory curriculum (they are offered as elective subjects).</p> <p>For 2023, there are no elective classes in English available.</p>
<p>Levels of Studies</p>	<p>Undergraduate level: Exchange students that come to PUC-SP through a general bilateral agreement shall enroll in the undergraduate level courses.</p> <p>Graduate level: only Institutions that hold specific agreements with a graduate program at PUC-SP may nominate their students to the respective program.</p>
<p>Acceptance Letter</p>	<p>The acceptance letter will be issued after the approval of the application by the academic coordinator at PUC-SP. All letters will be stamped by a public notary. The delivery of the hard copy (by the post service) takes about 2 weeks to Europe and Americas, and 3 weeks to other destinations.</p> <p><u>Note:</u> If the exchange program is developed on a remote basis next semester, acceptance letters won't be issued for student visa purposes.</p>
<p>Visa Information</p>	<p>All students without Brazilian nationality must hold a student visa or any other visa that enables study in Brazil. Upon acceptance, PUC-SP shall send the acceptance letter to the partner international office. The hard copy is generally required by Brazilian consulates. For in-person mobility, <u>students without the proper visa (ex.: student, Mercosul, diplomatic) will not be enrolled at PUC-SP.</u></p>
<p>"PAI" - Mentor Program</p>	<p>With the aim of helping foreign students better adapt to PUC-SP and to the city of São Paulo, the International Office promotes the "Programa de Apoio ao Intercambista" (PAI). The PAI Committee is integrated by volunteer PUC-SP undergraduate students willing to help the international students with information about PUC-SP, public transportation, accommodation, leisure and others.</p>

Enrollment at PUC-SP	<p>During the first two weeks of class, international exchange students will attend the subjects indicated in their study plan, before confirming their final Learning Agreements.</p> <p>International students cannot be enrolled in subjects that have reached their full capacity.</p>
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C. Practical Information

Accommodation	<p>PUC-SP is an urban university and doesn't offer its own student accommodation. International students live in private accommodations, generally opting for nearby private student apartments (also called "<i>Repúblicas</i>", in Portuguese) or student residence. The International Office will provide a list of housing options near the university. The main campus is located in the neighborhood of <i>Perdizes</i>.</p>
City of São Paulo	<p>São Paulo is known for its endless skyline of concrete, unreliable weather, multinational companies, heavy traffic, diverse night life, and for hosting many of HE Institutions. For being one of the biggest and most populated cities in the globe, international students should expect a cultural shock.</p>
Neighborhood of <i>Perdizes</i>	<p>Located in the west of São Paulo, <i>Perdizes</i> is one of the best regions of the city. The neighborhood is served with a good transportation system (near two subway stations - <i>Clínicas</i> and <i>Barra Funda</i>), and has all the essential services: supermarkets, banks, drugstores, hospitals, bakeries, open markets, restaurants, movie theaters, gyms, shopping malls, street commerce.</p> <p>The region also hosts a vibrant cultural life, with a large and important theater (known as <i>TUCA</i>); a Soccer Museum (<i>Museu do Futebol</i>); and the world famous <i>SESC-Pompeia</i>, one of the largest centers of cultural and leisure activities of São Paulo.</p> <p><i>Perdizes</i> is also known for its parks and green areas, such as <i>Água Branca Park</i> (good for hiking, being in contact with farm animals and having a nice picnic); <i>Zilda Natel Park</i> (a favorite among the skaters); and the bike lanes that cross the main avenue in the region, <i>Av. Sumaré</i>.</p> <p>It also has a rich and varied gastronomy, with pizzerias, Japanese food, vegetarian and vegan restaurants, burger places, «self-service» restaurants, bars, and all that is good in a megalopolis.</p>
Safety	<p>Despite the notion of São Paulo being an unsafe city, incidents rarely occur to our cautious international students. Students are oriented to stay alert in the city, and to never display their valuables or react against aggressors while in public venues.</p>

Covid-19 vaccination	Due to the pandemic, students must be <u>fully vaccinated against Covid-19</u> . An official record or proof of vaccination must be submitted to PUC-SP.
Yellow fever vaccination	Vaccination against <u>yellow fever</u> is recommended.
Measles vaccination	Vaccination against <u>measles</u> is recommended.

D. Living Expenses in São Paulo

São Paulo is considered a very expensive city compared to Brazilian and Latin American standards. Prices may vary depending on the neighborhood or individual habits of the student.

Tuition Fees	No tuition fees are charged to our international students that come through a bilateral agreement. (Exception: Portuguese language course and continued education courses)
Accommodation	Prices of rooms in shared private apartments near the main <i>campus</i> might vary from R\$ 1500 to R\$ 2500 per month. Added services (pool, gym, etc.) greatly influence in the price of the accommodations.
Public Transportation	Bus and subway tickets cost R\$4,40 (each trip). The system can be integrated by using the smartcard “Bilhete Único”. This smartcard allows riders to discounted prices for multiple rides (including all means of public transportation) and facilitates transitions between transit systems. It can be purchased after foreigner’s registration procedure at Federal Police.
Textbooks & Class Material	R\$ 200 to R\$ 350 per semester (estimated cost). In several courses at PUC-SP, students make photocopies of the material used in class. This cost is estimated for courses that heavily rely on photocopies and have a relatively large amount of reading.
Food	R\$ 500 to R\$ 1000 per month. May vary according to the personal habits of the student. University restaurant: a meal costs approximately R\$16.
Federal Police Fees	R\$ 204,77, for mandatory registration process. www.gov.br/pf/pt-br/assuntos/imigracao/registrar-se-como-estrangeiro-no-brasil/registro-de-imigrante-detentor-de-visto
Pocket Money	R\$ 300 to R\$ 500 per month. May vary according to the personal habits of the student.

*Exchange rate on September 13, 2022: USD 1 = R\$ 5,15

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