



**UAI**  
UNIVERSIDAD ADOLFO IBÁÑEZ







# Welcome to Adolfo Ibáñez University

Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez (UAI), an institution with over half a century of tradition, has been systematic in pursuing its mission: to educate young adults in the sciences so that they may contribute productively to society. For this purpose, it has developed innovative educational programs, and encouraged our students in the search of knowledge through an extensive variety of academic subjects.

In 1953, decades ahead of its time, Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez founded the Valparaíso Business School, which was the first institution in Chile to provide professional education in the field of business administration.

During the 80's, what was the first business school in our country became what is now the Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez extending its learning fields through other relevant sciences, like Humanities, Psychology, Law, Journalism and Engineering.

Over the last ten years, we have been working with our partner universities, in regular exchange programs for our students, providing tailor made activities that include courses in Spanish Language, Culture, History and Literature. The key to achieve successful results has been a close and permanent relationship with our students and colleagues abroad, based on commitment and strong support.

## Enrollment

- » Undergraduate: 5.996
- » Graduate: 2.051
- » Total: 8.047

## Why UAI?

- » Third choice among top scorers of the PSU (Prueba de Selección Universitaria, national university admission exam).
- » Ranked #1 among private universities in Chile América Economía Magazine: ([www.americaeconomia.com](http://www.americaeconomia.com))
- » Ranked #1 MBA program in Chile.
- » Ranked #1 MBA program in Latin America.





# Why to study in Chile?

Chile is one of Latin America's most interesting countries in terms of professional activities and tourism, which makes our country a fascinating and attractive destination.

Chile has signed free trade agreements with countries like China, Japan, USA, and others from all continents, which is an open window to explore and to develop, from different perspectives education at all levels, been one of the challenges that our students are encouraged to.

Chile also enjoys some of the world's most breathtaking landscapes, many still untouched by man. It is a country of marked contrasts, with deserts, icebergs and the Andes Mountain range, excellent ski resorts and stunning views of the Pacific Ocean.

Furthermore, it has splendid wines and an exceptional cuisine enriched by both the quality and variety of its abundant fresh fruit, vegetables and seafood. The export of these primary products worldwide is an important part of the Chilean economy. Chile enjoys a pleasant Mediterranean climate, with four well-defined seasons throughout the year.

**Population:** 17 million (growth rate 1.2%).

**Capital city:** Santiago (pop. 5.5 million).

**People:** 95% European descent and mestizo, 5% Aboriginal.

**Language:** Spanish and a small number of native languages, including Aymara, Mapudungun and Rapa Nui in specific areas.

**Religion:** 76.7% Catholic, 13.25% Evangelicals, 10.05% Others  
GDP per head (US\$ at PPP): 13,030  
(Highest in Latin America, according to World Bank ranking, 2007).

**Major industries:** Copper, wine, fresh fruit, salmon, wood pulp, fish meal, timber.

**Major trading partners:** USA, Japan, China, Brazil



## Santiago

Santiago is the capital of Chile and home to almost one-third of the country's population.

It is a safe and modern city located at the foot of the Andes Mountains, 42 km. from Chile's best ski resorts and 100 km. from the Pacific coast.

Santiago offers a variety of activities and entertainment to all ages, from upscale to convenient restaurants, museums, arts and culture. Modern buildings and motorways, and its architectural patrimony still well preserved, make Santiago a nice and affordable city to live in, ranked one of the best in South America, and also in the world.

## Viña del Mar and Valparaíso

Located 70 miles northwest of Santiago, Valparaíso is Chile's principal port and its second-largest city. Despite its size, it is Chile's most distinctive and one of the most captivating cities in South America, also added to Unesco's World heritage List in 2003.

Viña del Mar, Chile's premier beach resort is only 10 miles north of Valparaíso. The city of Viña offers a wide range of hotels, restaurants, and tourist activities, overlooking the spectacular ocean view. The region is considered the best area for college students, offering a wide variety of universities, professional institutes in a safe, modern and attractive landscape to its visitors.



# Living in Viña del Mar / Valparaíso

## Quick Facts:

City population:

324.580 Viña del Mar

250.000 Valparaíso

## Climate:

Annual average temperature: 18°C

## Estimated living Cost:

Hostel accommodation: 500 – 700 USD per month. (The price include a room and two daily meals)

## Rent an apartment:

One room: 270 -375 USD per month.

Two rooms: 320 -420 USD per month.

Three rooms: 520 -670 USD per month.

Four rooms: 750 -1050 USD per month.

Laundry service: 6 kg. 7 – 9 USD

## For basic consumer products, please account for the following:

Bread: 2 USD kg.

Oil: 3 USD, 1 liter.

Cheese: 12,5 USD, 1 kilo.

Eggs: 3 USD, a dozen.

Milk: 1,7 USD, 1 liter

Sugar: 1,2 USD, 1 kg

Coffee: 3 USD, 100 gr.

Rice: 1,8 USD, 1 kg.

Pasta: 1 USD

Chicken: 7,3 USD, 1 kg.

## Public transportation:

In Chile, the urban busses are called “micros”

From Viña to Valparaíso: 1 USD

Local in Viña: 1 USD

Total Cost of living: Between \$400.000 and \$550.000 per month (850-1.150 USD)

## Emergency Numbers

Carabineros: 133

Investigations: 134

Firefighters: 132

Ambulance: 131

## For more information visit:

- [www.sernatur.cl](http://www.sernatur.cl)

- [www.gochile.cl](http://www.gochile.cl)

- [www.chile.com](http://www.chile.com)

- [www.paseosenchile.cl](http://www.paseosenchile.cl)

- [www.vinadelmar.cl](http://www.vinadelmar.cl)

- [www.valparaisochile.cl](http://www.valparaisochile.cl)

- [www.sitios.cl](http://www.sitios.cl)





# UAI Undergraduate Campuses

Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez has 2 campuses, both equipped with state of the art technology. One of the campuses is located in Viña del Mar, and the other one in Santiago.

## Undergraduate Campus Peñalolén, Santiago

It is located in the south-east area of Santiago, sprawling over nearly 250 acres at the foothills of the Andes.

The building has nearly 210,000 square feet. All classrooms are equipped with audiovisual resources and there are network connections throughout the campus. In addition, there are five computer labs for Civil Engineering.

The campus has a fully equipped gym and aerobics rooms for students' physical training programs.





### Campus Viña del Mar

This campus is our newest with a great view of the Pacific Ocean and the beautiful city called “garden city”.

The Viña del Mar campus has full equipped classrooms with the last technology. The school library includes group study rooms and first-class infrastructure that meets the highest international standards.

The campuses offer everything in the same place: Libraries, dining, lockers, gym and sports.



# UAI: Undergraduate

## Educational Model

UAI offers a bachelor's degree program with 13 majors and a wide variety of minors. In Chile, our University was the first to introduce a version of the American undergraduate educational model. After completing a 4 years bachelor's degree, students may proceed to obtain their professional certification and Master degree.

UAI currently offers the following majors and minors.

## Majors

### Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)

- » Business Administration
- » Civil Engineering
- » History
- » Law
- » Psychology
- » Journalism

### Bachelor of Science (B.S.)

- » Business Administration
- » Civil Industrial Engineering
- » IT and Telecommunications Civil Engineering
- » Civil Engineering in Energy and Environment
- » Civil Engineering in Bioengineering
- » Civil Engineering (Public works engineering)
- » Civil Engineering (mining)

## Minors

- » Philosophy
- » Literature
- » History
- » Economics
- » Finance and Accounting
- » Management and Marketing
- » Psychology
- » Government Affairs
- » Organizational Psychology
- » Design
- » Advertising
- » Law
- » Acting
- » Cinema



# Studying at UAI: Essentials

## Courses

Exchange students may choose courses from any of our Major or Minor courses.

We recommend that exchange students take no more than 5 courses, depending on their level of fluency in Spanish.

## Grading System

The grade scale goes from 1.0 (lowest) to 7.0 (highest), with 4.0 being the minimum passing grade.

## Language of Instruction

All courses are taught in Spanish, though there may be complementary readings in English.

There are courses taught in English in the campus of Viña del Mar but the students have to pay a special fee because they are part of our tailor made programs.

## Academic year

Undergraduate Programs:

The Academic year is divided into two semesters:

Semester one: March to July.

Semester two: August to December.

## Teaching Methods

Teaching methods include lectures, case studies and group work. It is important for students to actively participate in their classes and meet the minimum attendance requirements for each course.

## Housing:

UAI has no accommodation on campus. But we can help exchange students to find different housing opportunities.







## International Relations

Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez has signed agreements with universities around the world that meet the needs of students as they prepare to make a transition from classroom to career in the new global community. Travel is considered of vital importance, since it imparts vast knowledge and understanding of other cultures, essential to successfully interact with people from diverse backgrounds.

Exchange programs enrich this learning process and teach students to adapt to new environments, develop new personal relationships, and experience, firsthand, the lifestyles and characteristics of different world communities.

Our university currently has valuable exchange programs with over 60 universities in Europe, America, Asia and Oceania.

Under reciprocal agreements, UAI receives every year a substantial number of foreign students staying for a period ranging from one semester to one year. This has proved to be the best way to convey the values of cultural diversity and to create bonds of long lasting friendship with students and staff.

**“What I liked the most were the open and nice people besides its wonderful nature”**

Andrea Alai  
Universidad Bocconi, Italia



**“Having all your classmates willing to help you and spending time with them made this challenge absolutely worthy”**

Lisa-Katharina Schmitz  
WHU University, Germany



**“I loved the atmosphere among the students and the impressive architecture of the campus in Peñalolen”**

Léo Vacher  
Universidad EM Lyon Business School,  
France



# How to apply to study at UAI?

## For students from Partner Universities:

### Application requirements

- » Being currently studying a degree course or a master in your own university.
- » Contact with the coordinating committee of exchanges in your home institution, in order to get the needed information about the application process.

### Application documents

Prospect students must submit the following documents:

- » Student application form.

You must ask in the international relationship office from your home university and you can also find it during the application period on the UAI web page. You will have to complete it with the following required information, among others:

- The chosen University program, degree course or master's.
- The selection of the campus (Santiago or Viña del Mar).
- Resume.
- Academic transcripts. They must be sent directly by the student's home institution (English or Spanish).
- 1 passport size photo.

These documents must be sent by mail, through the exchange coordinating committee of your University, to the indicated address shown on the application form:

International Relations Office, Adolfo Ibáñez University  
Avda. Padre Hurtado 750, Viña del Mar, Chile.

UAI will send to the Coordinator of each University, the acceptance letter. Students must start the mandatory process, in order to get the needed Visa that will allow the entrance to Chile.

### Tuition fee

Tuition fees are waived for student from partner Universities.

## For students from other universities

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# Study in Chile

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