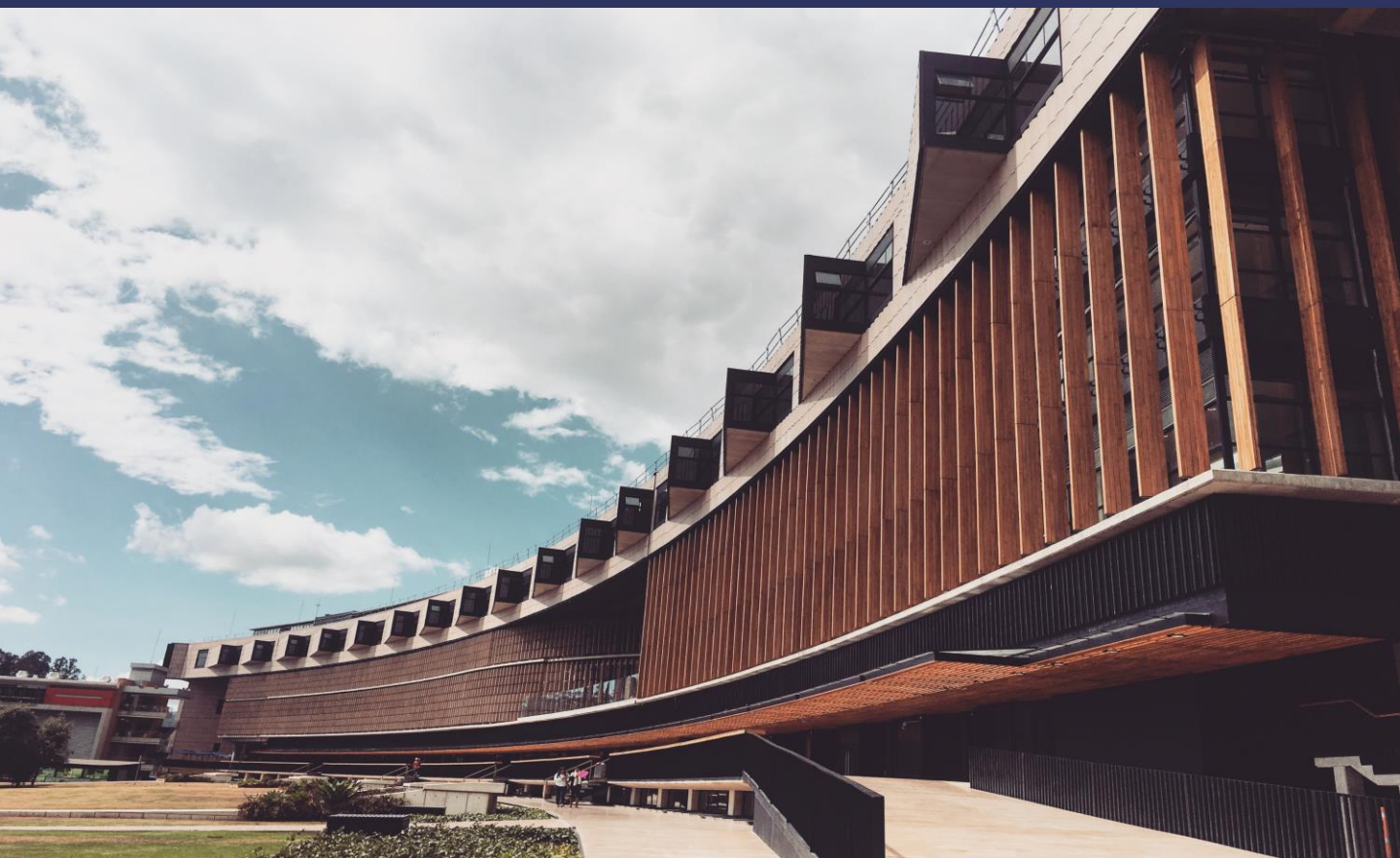




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La Sabana at a glance

Universidad de La Sabana, a higher-education civilian institution, ensures that professors, students and other members of the university cloister are freely committed to seeking, discovering, communicating and preserving the truth in all fields of knowledge, in unity of life and with coherence of thought, words and actions, based on a Christian conception of man and the world, as a way to contribute to the progress of society.

It promotes respect for the transcendent dignity of the human person and, in an environment of responsible freedom, it promotes an integral perfectioning of all members of the academic community, with personalized attention and a creative, rigorous and interdisciplinary academic exercise. In addition, it encourages to do and experience work as service, and a means to build a just, peaceful and supportive society.

The university relates to all sectors of society and contributes with legitimate solutions to its multiple and complex problems through an interdisciplinary, competent and supportive work. This work is the result of the joint action of research and teaching, which focus on common good, coexistence and cooperation among men-without any discrimination-and on the unconditional recognition of human life, of the person and of the family in society.



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INSTITUTIONAL PORTFOLIO OF FORMAL ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Universidad de La Sabana is an institution open to anyone who is willing to develop professional competences. It is a University that provides students with a comprehensive education through a broad portfolio of 125 formal academic programs in different areas of knowledge offered by 9 faculties, 3 academic units and a Business School.

Currently, the University has 5 doctorate programs, 37 master's degrees (3 as extension programs), 18 medical surgical specializations and 41 specializations, out of which 15 are taught in Bucaramanga, Medellin, Villavicencio, Ibagué, Neiva and Bogotá, as well as 24 undergraduate programs. Moreover, La Sabana offers 7 programs in virtual mode and different directive, executive and continuing education programs.



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CAMPUS



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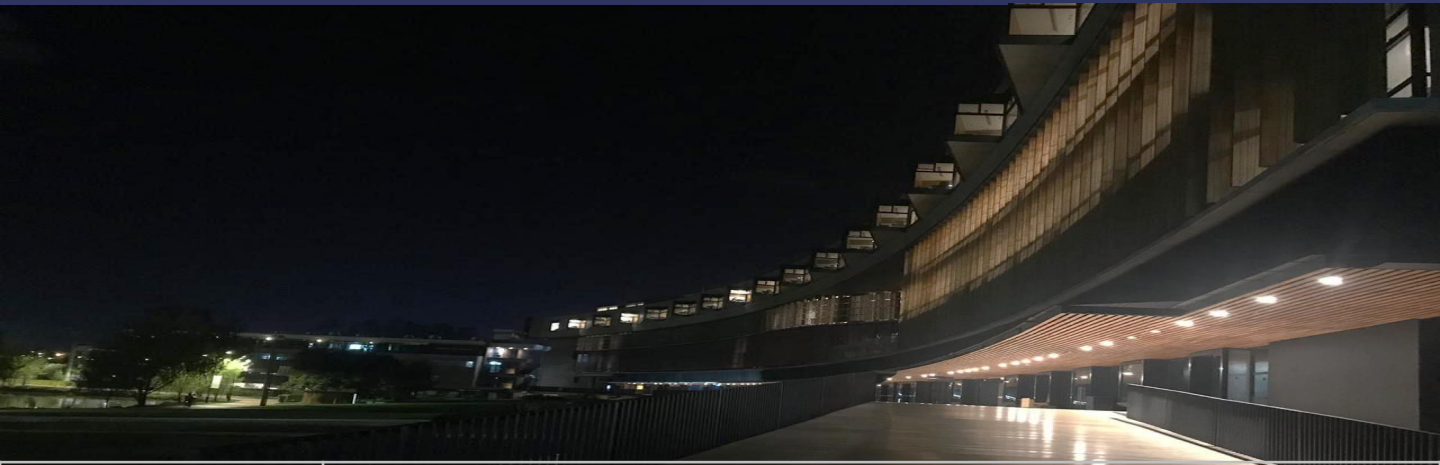


Its main campus is located 35 minutes away from Bogotá, the country's capital, which makes it a healthy, natural environment and still being close to a main city's cultural life. Its 62 hectares host 9 faculties and 2 institutes; the Octavio Arizmendi Posada Library which holds around 76.584 titles; Studium, a leading strategy for foreign languages autonomous learning, especially for English and Spanish learning; 3 hectares of sports areas; INALDE, Business School, which MBA is AMBAS' accredited; and its Teaching Hospital. La Sabana has 29 specialized laboratories and its Media Production Center, Bloomberg Lab and Business Center for Financial data analysis; Informatics Engineering Laboratory for User Experience, LUX, Culinary Arts kitchens, and School-Restaurant, among other teaching facilities, are equipped with state-of-the-art technology.

[VIRTUAL CAMPUS TOUR](#) |  YouTube



EXCHANGE PROGRAM & ACADEMIC INFORMATION



APPLICATION DOCUMENTS	For study broad and exchange students application process, please visit INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS SITE
LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	Spanish or English. Check the study plans according to your language of preference: • ENGLISH TAUGHT COURSES • SPANISH STUDY PLANS
GRADES SCALE	From 0.0 to 5.0, being 5.0 the best grade. Minimum grade to approve: 3.0
ACADEMIC CREDITS	One (1) academic credit is equal to 48 hours of work , distributed as follows: 16 hours in the classroom and 32 independent work (work preparation, independent lecture, etc.) ECTS CONVERSION: 1 ECTS Credit is equal to 1.6 Colombia Credit
SPANISH COURSES	If you want to improve your Language skills, Spanish is your option. Please check all the Spanish Courses available: SPANISH PROGRAM – VIVA COLOMBIA
LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS	• Spanish Language: ○ If Spanish is not your first language and you want to enroll in Spanish Taught classes, a Spanish language proficiency level of B2 (CEFR) is required in accordance with La Sabana language Study Abroad and Exchange entry Language Scores. ○ Spanish proficiency should be certified by you Language Department and/or Language Center and/or Spanish tutor with a minimum level of B2 (CEFR). • English Language: ○ If English is not your first language and you want to enroll in English Taught Classes, a English Language proficiency level of B2 (CEFR) is required in accordance with La Sabana language Study Abroad and Exchange entry Language Scores. ○ English proficiency should be certified by an International Assessment Test and/or your Home University Language Department. ○ List of Minimum Entry Language Scores: ▪ B2 (CEFR). ▪ TOEFL iBT: 72 (overall). ▪ IELTS: 5.0 (overall). ▪ TOEIC: 400 (overall). ▪ FCE Pass. ▪ Home University Language Department certification with B2 (CEFR).
UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS	Please check all undergraduate options: UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS
GRADUATE PROGRAMS	Please check all graduate options: GRADUATE PROGRAMS

IMPORTANT DATES



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Academic Calendar at La Sabana is divided into two main Semesters:

- **First Semester:** It goes from the third week of **January** until the last week of **May**.
- **Second Semester:** It goes from the third week of **July** until the last week of **November**.

La Sabana also delivers some special courses and Summer Programs. These programs typically are run during **June** and **July**. Some other special programs can be delivered in late **November** and early **December**.

EXCHANGE & STUDY ABROAD APPLICATION DATES

For more information about our application dates, deadlines and documents. Please visit our International Student web page:

- [International Student web page \(English Version\).](#)
- [International Student web page \(Spanish Version\).](#)

UNIVERSITY SERVICES



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International Students are welcome to be part of our Academic and Cultural Community. Universidad de La Sabana offers a variety of cultural, sports and arts programs combined with the access of Campus Facilities. These programs are coordinated by the [La Sabana Student Center](#). Some of the available services are:

- ✓ [Mobile App Unisabana](#) for Students
- ✓ Library Access.
- ✓ Personalized Academic Counseling.
- ✓ Spanish Programs
- ✓ Internet and computer rooms.
- ✓ Sports: Soccer, volleyball, ping-pong, ultimate, softball, basketball and taekwondo. It has selections in different modalities such as: swimming, field tennis, basketball, soccer, volleyball, taekwondo and rugby.
- ✓ Cultural Activities
- ✓ Free courses: Workshops for musical, plastic, corporal and literary expression.
- ✓ Volunteering programs
- ✓ Medical Services
- ✓ *PAT – Programa Aprendamos a Trabajar – Learn how to work Program*



STUDENT SERVICES



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BUDDY PROGRAM

All international students will have the company of a Buddy Sabana on their arrival to the Campus and recognition of the city and the University

OTHER SERVICES

- ✓ Student ID Card will allow students to enter University, access to library services, computer rooms, sports services and other university services
- ✓ Information point. Students can request the information you require about the Campus.
- ✓ Transportation. The University has a bus system that provides transportation to and from Bogotá, and operates regularly during the school season.
- ✓ Banks and ATMs. Banco de Bogotá and Bancolombia.
- ✓ Parking.
- ✓ Food and beverage points. There are 9 restaurants and fast food outlets serving students
- ✓ Medical Center Nursing and first aid service, and the University Clinic of La Sabana



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



HOUSING	“Vivienda Sabana” is a database provided by the University with a wide housing offer in Bogotá and Chia. For more information please visit VIVIENDA SABANA
TRANSPORTATION	There are multiple transportation options to get to La Sabana. Private Buses, Train, Public Transport, Bicycle, Car Pool, among others. For more information please visit: SABANA TRANSPORT INFORMATION
ARRIVAL INFORMATION	Universidad de La Sabana can arrange a pick-up Service at El Dorado Airport in Bogotá (Cost: 30 dollars approx.)
HEALTH INSURANCE	International students must have a health insurance with international coverage during their visit in Colombia. Please note that credit card and/or bank insurance are not valid. Students must present an International Student Insurance prior to their arrival.
COST OF LIVING	Approximate cost of living is USD 2.500 per semester (4 months). This will depend of life style and needs. ✓ Housing: From USD 300 up to USD 800 (approx.) ✓ Transport: From USD 3 (Round Trip) Sabana Bus; Train USD 1 (Round Trip) approx. ✓ Food: From USD 3 up to USD 10 per meal approx.
INFORMATION ABOUT COLOMBIA	Discover Colombia and its beauty. For more information about Colombia, Culture, Tourism, practical information, please visit COLOMBIA: LAND OF SABROSURA

IMMIGRATION REGULATIONS



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IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Passport will be the identification form. It is recommended to leave the original passport in a safe place and carry a legible copy.

MIGRATORY PROCESS

- ✓ Students from a country with which there is a visa exemption agreement and who are in Colombia for less than 180 days (6 months), must:
 - Enter the country with a PID entry permit. This will be granted at the port of entry (Airport) when presenting the PID letter sent with the acceptance documents. The PID permit will allow the student to stay in Colombia for **90 days**.
 - Upon expiration of the **90 days**, students must request a PTP in Bogotá – Migration Extension, which will extend the stay for an extra **90 days**. This process has a cost of approximately USD 30.
- ✓ Students from a country with which there is a visa exemption agreement and who are in Colombia for more than 180 days (6 months), must apply for a [VISITORS VISA](#). This process must be done prior to enter the country or up to 15 days after entering the country. Both ways are valid for visa exemption countries, otherwise, student must apply from home country before travelling.
- ✓ Visa holders must then apply for a [FOREIGN ID](#). This process must be done up to 15 days after getting visa stamp on passport.
- ✓ **IMPORTANT:** Please check for regulations and penalties. There are specific times that students must complete according to Migration Regulations.



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