



FACT-SHEET 2020 II

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM

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APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Application Deadline
Fall semester: May 15th

Student's application

Students should complete [the on-line form](#) and send the following documents to exchanges@uexternado.edu.co.

- Official nomination letter from the Home University
- Original transcripts
- Copy of the student's passport
- One photo (jpg) (Document type photo)
- Spanish level certificate

Externado's International Exchange team will examine each application. In case of acceptance, we will send out an acceptance package for each student to the Home University via email.

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Full course load per semester:

Except different rules from home universities, an exchange student has to take a full course load at the Universidad Externado, which it is equivalent to 18 credits per semester – around 6/8 subjects.

1 credit = 48 study hours/semester



Election of courses

Foreign students are authorized to select courses from other faculties, but they have to take at least 60% of credits in the faculty of registration. The exact number of courses or ECTS credits has to be determined by the home institution. Before coming at Externado, students must pre-select their subjects.

Professional Volunteer Program

The Faculty of Finance, Government and International Relations proposes a Professional Volunteer Program, which offers our visiting students the opportunity to increase the socio-cultural knowledge as a complement of their academic activities.

The program allows students to work with some recognized Colombian and International NGO's such as *Barefoot Foundation* and *Techo* among others, getting to know the real needs of the most vulnerable Colombian population.

The students receive academic credits for this activity. The number of credits will depend on the number of worked hours. The registration process starts at the beginning of each semester.

For more information, you can visit the program website: <https://www.uexternado.edu.co/finanzas-gobierno-relaciones-internacionales/programa-de-voluntariado/>

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

Spanish B1

HEALTH INSURANCE

All exchange students are required to enroll in a comprehensive international health insurance and present it once they arrive.

We will only accept insurances that are in either English or Spanish

LIFE IN BOGOTÁ

Accommodation

Universidad Externado does not have on-campus accommodation. However, the University offers a 3-night stay, expenses paid, to international students in a hotel downtown while they search for housing.

Expenses

It is important to know that Bogotá is the third most expensive capital of Latin America. Depending on the needs, the average expenses per month could be around 500 \$US / 750 \$US.

Some estimated expenditures

Housing:

Apartments: from 200\$US to 400\$US/month

Food: 150\$US/month

Lunch in a restaurant close to the University: 5\$US (15000 Pesos COP)

Public Transport: 50\$US/month

Externado Student Health Insurance: 25\$US/semester

Student ID card: 14 \$US/semester



Orientation Week

International Student Orientation Week takes place one week prior to the beginning of each semester. During this week, the faculty organizes activities to help our visiting students to familiarize with the University, the city and the structure of the academic system at Externado. This time is also allocated for students to have a chance to look for housing options, a process that we support through a tour of the neighborhood and direct contact with students interested in hosting visiting students.