



Summer ABROAD in Costa Rica

**SUMMER IN THE LAND OF PURA VIDA:
LEARN, EXPLORE, CONNECT IN COSTA RICA**

Join ULACIT's 6-week hands-on summer program that blends academic excellence with unforgettable adventures across one of the world's most beautiful destinations.



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Discover the Land of Pura Vida

WHY COSTA RICA?



1. Happiness comes first: #1 in Latin America and 6th worldwide in the World Happiness Report 2025.

2. A country of peace: No army since 1948; military budget invested in education and healthcare.

3. Leading educational system: Among the highest literacy rates in the region; 6–7% of GDP invested in education.

4. State-of-the-art healthcare: Global destination for innovative quality health care, 9.9% of GDP in healthcare, one of the world's highest life expectancies.

5. Multilingual and multicultural: Bilingual nation with Mesoamerican, Afro-Costa Rican, and Indigenous heritage.

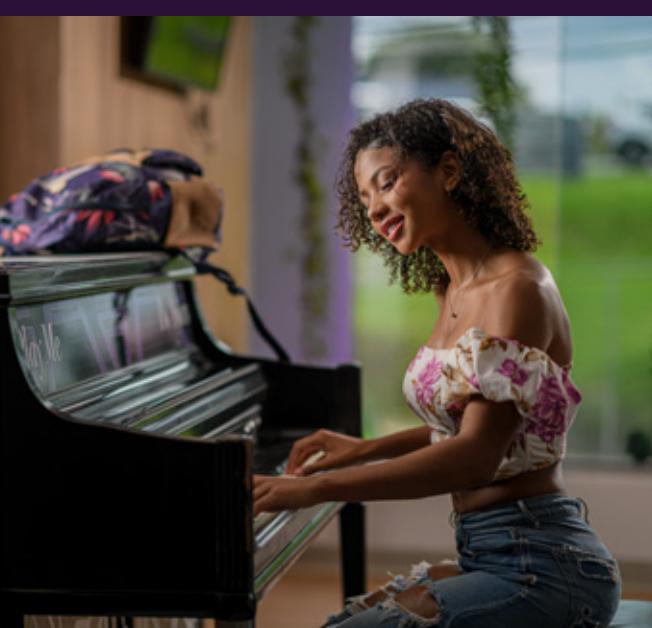
6. Naturally gifted and biodiverse: 5% of global biodiversity, 26% of land protected, 51% forest coverage, 160+ conservation areas.

7. Powered by green energy: Over 99.5% of electricity from renewable sources.

8. Friendly people, friendly climate: Welcoming culture and stable, pleasant climate year-round.

9. Political and economic prosperity: Stable democracy for over 120 years, thriving hub for high-tech, medical devices, and services with the highest GDP per capita in Central America.

10. San José: Vibrant capital city with museums, theaters, parks, and historical landmarks; ULACIT is in the heart of it all.



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Your Gateway to Academic Excellence in Central America

- QS-ranked #1 private university in Costa Rica for 15 consecutive years.
- Competency-based and High-order Thinking Skills curricula structure
- Project-based learning and Experiential Learning assessments based on applied research, group projects, case studies, and community engagement.
- Urban campus in San José: connect with Costa Rica's innovation & tech ecosystem.
- International classroom: study alongside global peers.

WHY ULACIT?





SUMMER ABROAD PROGRAM

SUMMER PROGRAM 2026, SIX ACADEMIC FIELDS OF STUDY

Experience ULACIT's 6-week Summer Program in Costa Rica.

Spend your summer touring beautiful Costa Rica and engaging in a hands-on experiential learning study abroad program.

Designed as an integral and dynamic experience, the program combines rigorous academics with one-day academic field trips and tours to Costa Rica's amazing cultural and natural sites.

This unique summer abroad opportunity blends academic excellence, experiential learning, and cultural immersion, giving students a competitive global edge while discovering the Land of Pura Vida.

Choose from six academic fields of study, each offering transferable credits and career-focused learning:

Business & Marketing: Explore global market strategies, digital campaigns, entrepreneurship, and analytics through projects with Costa Rican enterprises.

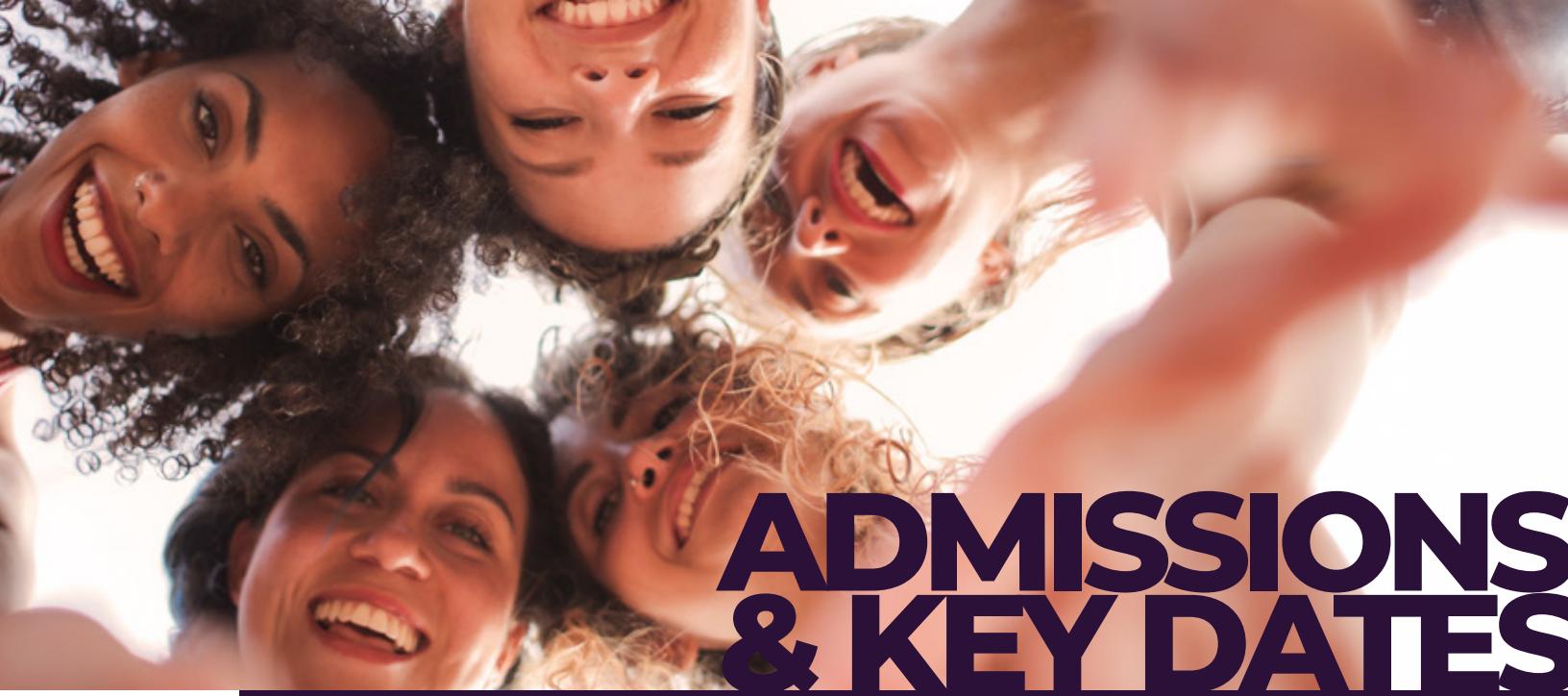
Industrial Engineering: Gain practical skills in ergonomics, lean manufacturing, supply chain sustainability, and operations analytics with site visits to regional industries.

Biomedical Engineering: Engage in innovation labs, bioinformatics, device design, and health ethics while learning from Costa Rica's medtech sector.

IT Engineering (Software, AI & Cybersecurity): Build expertise in secure software, ethical hacking, AI applications, and cloud solutions through hands-on labs.

Psychology: Study cross-cultural psychology, mental health, and organizational well-being with applied research and community engagement.

Latin American Studies: Analyze globalization, development, history, and trade in the region, enriched by site visits and local case studies.



ADMISSIONS & KEY DATES



**Summer 2026:
June 15th – Septembre 13th | Apply by May 11, 2026**

Summer Program 2026

Late Nomination & Application Deadline: May 11th, 2026

Total Payment Deadline: May 25th, 2026

New Student Orientation: June 12th, 2026

Summer 1: June 15h to July 24th, 2026

Summer 2: August 3rd to September 13th, 2026

Steps to Apply:

1. Complete the International Nomination Form.
2. Receive your acceptance & complete payment.
3. Prepare for your Costa Rica adventure!



Ready to Study in Costa Rica? Contact studyabroad@ulacit.ac.cr



INTER CULTURAL SERVICES

Studying abroad means connection, culture, and community.

ULACIT offers a wide range of intercultural services to help international students thrive both inside and outside the classroom.



SPANISH IMMERSION PROGRAM

Learn Spanish and Experience Costa Rica
Flexible, Credit-Bearing Language Program

Enroll in our 15-week Spanish Immersion Courses, offered every academic period. Students attend 3-hour classes once per week for fifteen weeks.

Seven Proficiency Levels

Our experienced Spanish professors will administer a placement test to determine your starting level. Courses are designed to take you from beginner to advanced proficiency:

1. SPAN-101 Basic 1 Spanish
2. SPAN-102 Basic 2 Spanish
3. SPAN-201 Intermediate 1 Spanish
4. SPAN-202 Intermediate 2 Spanish
5. SPAN-301 Advanced 1 Spanish
6. SPAN-302 Advanced 2 Spanish
7. SSP-304 Spanish for Specific Purposes
(Business Spanish – other SSP according to department needs)

Credits and Contact Hours

• 3 US credits / 6 ECTS per course (30 contact hours)

Program Highlights

• **Paced Learning:** Build language competencies throughout the semester with 15-week module courses.

• **Immersive Experience:** Combine grammar & conversation competencies-based language lessons with cultural experiences and daily practice opportunities in San José.

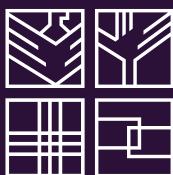
• **Smooth Progression:** Attain pragmatics dexterity step by step while engaging with Costa Rican culture.

Acquire Spanish communicative skills, enhance your intercultural competency, and make the most of your Study Abroad experience in Costa Rica.



EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

Learning Beyond the Classroom



Studying Abroad at ULACIT in Costa Rica means combining world-class academics with a dynamic international experience in the heart of Latin America.

Both the Semester and Summer offerings feature a robust experiential learning component, maximizing the academic and professional value of the program.

Students gain hands-on exposure to Costa Rica's innovation, sustainability, and technology ecosystems, building global competencies and applying academic knowledge in real-world contexts.

- **Field-Based Learning:** Site visits to companies, NGOs, and research centers.
- **Industry Engagement:** Guest lectures and workshops led by business and technology leaders.
- **Optional Cultural Excursions:** Volcanoes, beaches, rainforests, historical and cultural landmarks enrich the experience.

By the end of the program, participants return home with tangible skills, enhanced employability, and a competitive edge in global business and technology sectors, while enjoying an unforgettable academic and cultural journey in Costa Rica.

HOMESTAY PROGRAM

EXPERIENCE COSTA RICAN LIFE WITH A LOCAL FAMILY



ULACIT partners with carefully selected host families in San José, each with years of experience welcoming international students.

Our Homestay Program allows you to:

- Live in a safe, family-oriented environment.
- Experience authentic Costa Rican culture and daily life.
- Practice Spanish with native speakers.
- Receive personal support during your stay and build lasting friendships.

What's Included in the Homestay:

- A safe and welcoming home

- Private room with keys and full access to common areas
- Half-pension included (breakfast and dinner)
- Wi-Fi internet access
- Use of the kitchen and laundry room
- Weekly laundry and linen service

Convenient, Private and Comfortable:

- Homes are located within 30 minutes of campus and downtown San José.
- Students can stay per month or for the entire academic period, depending on their program.



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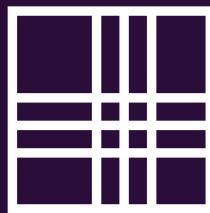
Enjoy the comfort of a local home and the full cultural immersion of living with a Costa Rican family while studying abroad with ULACIT.



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