Universidade de Brasília

General Information About UnB

The University of Brasília was founded on April 21, 1962. It is committed to the production of state-of-the-art knowledge and the promotion of true citizenship for the transformation of Brazil. The institution is the one of the national points of reference in research, teaching and extension. At the present time, UnB has approximately 2,380 professors, 34,506 undergraduate, 4,385 master and 3,219 doctorate students. At Darcy Ribeiro campus and at the three other campuses (Ceilandia, Gama and Planaltina), the institution houses 26 institutes and colleges or schools and 35 centers for specialized research.

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Academic Calendar

2023 Academic Year

1st term: March 28th to July 25th, 2023
2nd term: August 25th to December 23rd, 2023

2024 Academic Year

1st term: March to July, 2024.
2nd term: August to December, 2024

Calendar: https://saa.unb.br/graduacao/calendario-academico
Application

Deadlines
November 1st, 2023 – to study from March to July, 2024.
April 1st, 2024 – to study from August to December, 2024.

Application Requirements
• Must be a student in one of our partner universities;
• Be nominated by your home university;
• Fill out the Application Form (student): forms.office.com/r/8BXd5dgKH7
• You must have financial conditions during the exchange program;
• Enough level of Portuguese to attend classes (we recommend B1). No specific certificate is required.

Documents You Must Send Us
• Learning agreement;
• A copy of your passport;
• Official transcripts from the home institution;
• Curriculum vitae;
• Letter of introduction from your home institution signed by the exchange program coordinator;
• A statement of sufficient funds or funding to support the student during the intended period of study in Brasilia.
• Research project based on internationally accepted academic standards (only for master/doctoral candidates);
• Copy of all higher education previous diplomas obtained (only for master/doctoral candidates);
• Transcripts of records of all higher education courses successfully completed (only for master/doctoral candidates).

Nomination and application documents must be sent to intweb@unb.br
All documents must be sent in Portuguese, English or Spanish

Majors and Subjects

Areas of Study
• Agricultural Sciences
• Applied Social Sciences
• Biological Sciences
• Earth and Exact Sciences
• Engineering and Technology
• Health Sciences Humanities
• Linguistics, Language and Arts
• Multidisciplinary

The list of majors is available at https://international.unb.br/search-results
List of Subjects
The list of subjects is available before each semester begins at:
https://sig.unb.br/sigaa/public/turmas/listar.jsf

You may also consult the Majors, Departments, and Subjects in this unofficial site made by a group of Computer Engineer students: cadeomw.com.br

Subject Enrollment
All the subjects you want to be enrolled must be approved from the Faculty coordinator.

Credits per Subject
Each subject has normally 60 class hours (contact hours). There is no exact conversion of UnB class hours to ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System).

Recommended Study Load
We highly recommend you to take between from 240 to 360 class hours per semester.

Minimum/Maximum Study Load
Per semester, a minimum of 180 class hours is common. A maximum of 450 class hours is common.

Grading Scale
Consult the explanation of UnB Mention System here.

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*SR mention is attributed to failure for absences, when the student did not attend a minimum of 75% of classes.

Language Courses

Portuguese
Good news! Portuguese Language Courses are free of charge for exchange students. We offer two distinct levels: Beginner and Intermediate.

Other languages
English, Spanish, French, Italian, Japanese, Mandarin, Korean, etc. are charged by the language school.

Average Prospective Budget for Living Costs

Transportation
Students may request a student transportation card which grants free transportation from their home to the university.

Food and Meals
R$ 300.00 to R$ 600.00 (per month)
University Restaurant offers full meals with beverage included.
Breakfast: R$ 2.85 | Lunch: R$ 6.10 | Dinner: R$ 6.10

Accommodation
R$ 600.00 to R$ 2,000.00 (per month)
Currently, the International Affairs Office (INT) has 4 apartments on campus, offering 20 vacancies to exchange students. The monthly individual cost is R$ 600.00. Interested students must indicate the wish to stay at our apartments in the Application Form.

**FAQ**

**Insurance/Health Costs for Exchanges**
Health insurance must be acquired in the home country.

**Recommended Arrival Date**
Two weeks prior to the beginning of the classes.

**When is the Portuguese language study available? Is it a semester long course? How much does it cost? How long is the course?**
Semester long, free of charge for exchange students.

**Are students required to obtain a student visa?**
Yes. Student visa VITEM IV.

**How will students get from housing to class?**
Students living on campus housing can go on foot to classes. Others living outside campus will use public transportation, which is free for students who request a student transportation card.

**UnB Useful Websites**

Official Website: [www.unb.br](http://www.unb.br)
UnB International Website: [www.international.unb.br](http://www.international.unb.br)
International Affairs Office Website: [www.int.unb.br](http://www.int.unb.br)

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