

# Guide for

PONTIFICIA UNIVERSIDAD CATÓLICA DE CHILE

# PhD Students

**Doctoral College**

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Chapter 1

# Welcome

## to the Pontifical Catholic University of Chile

### 1.1

#### **A Word from the University President**

#### **Making knowledge grow at UC**

We present this guide for doctoral students in the hope that it will really help those who start doing research and begin to increase their knowledge at the Pontifical Catholic University of Chile.

Our students' work and their studies are very important for the University because this is how UC contributes to science, the arts and humanities in Chile, in our ongoing dialogue between culture and faith.

We want doctoral students to have access to all the amenities available at the University so that they can develop their skills without losing their focus on their own target of increasing knowledge in their respective fields as part of the University's 34 doctoral programs. Financing is a key aid for students and therefore guidance is provided on the many ways to apply for grants, internal and external funding, competitive funds, residence benefits, health insurance, etc. The Guide also provides students with background information on available cotutelage agreements with foreign higher education institutions.

UC is very proud of the fact that more than 1,589 PhDs have graduated from the University since it launched the programs in 1935. Doctoral programs have provided Chile with rigorous studies aimed at dealing with priority fields to help develop the country.

We work constantly to keep up high standards and academic quality in our programs. Accordingly, in 2016, over 23% of our PhD graduates were international students, a figure that increases progressively. This fills us with pride and makes the University an excellent option for further education in the region and all over the world.

**Dr. Ignacio Sánchez Díaz**  
**President**

## **1.2**

### **A Word from the University's Research Vice- President**

#### **Training Researchers for Chile and the World**

The mission of the Pontifical Catholic University of Chile (UC) is to train people and to generate new knowledge so as to make a useful contribution to our society. A key element to fulfilling this objective is to train researchers of excellence through our doctoral programs in all fields of knowledge.

UC offers 34 doctoral programs delivered by a faculty of excellence that has access to first class infrastructure and support. The joint efforts of teachers and doctoral students enable UC to annually put out about 1,700 publications in international indexed journals and over 200 books and book chapters. In addition, UC has over 700 externally funded research projects. <sup>8</sup>

Our doctoral programs offer flexible curricula that promote a comprehensive and interdisciplinary approach, the importance of mastering a foreign

language, and the dissemination of research. The programs also help create conditions for young researchers to develop key comprehensive skills to assist with their integration as part of the public and private sectors.

The Doctoral College (CPD) groups the 34 doctoral programs offered by UC to ensure their quality and promote policies and methods to enable curricular flexibility, interdisciplinary training and to ensure the international nature of doctoral education. The CPD provides guidance to students, scholarships and financial support and it also promotes the development of comprehensive skills and helps students become integrated at UC.

Consequently, UC PhDs are marked by a seal of research excellence, a high degree of internationalization and solid institutional backing. This is underpinned by our belief that the international element in doctoral studies is essential for our graduates to become part of international networks of excellence.

We sincerely hope that the information provided in this document will help our students become active members of the UC research community.

**Pedro Bouchon**  
Research Vice-President

### 1.3

#### **Mission of the Research Vice-Presidency (VRI)**

The Research Vice-Presidency (VRI) is responsible for conducting and implementing research policies and PhD studies, knowledge transfer and innovation, and arts and culture. Its mission is to:

- Promote the development of research activities and interdisciplinary doctoral training for academics, researchers and students in different fields of knowledge.
- Promote, facilitate and increase applied research at UC and encourage the transfer of new knowledge to society, thereby contributing to the country's economic and social development.
- Encourage the development of artistic and cultural creation, through joint actions intended to make visible, promote and disseminate all artistic and cultural activities by the UC community.

**It offers the following to academics, researchers and PhDs:**

- Funding for project development through internal competitions.
- Advice and support for applying to external funds on a national and international basis for projects involving basic research, arts, innovation and collaborative research, among others.
- Assistance in formulating R&D initiatives in culture, arts and research.

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#### **Vicerrectoría de Investigación (VRI)**

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[www.vri.uc.cl](http://www.vri.uc.cl)

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#### **Research Directorate**

[www.investigación.uc.cl](http://www.investigación.uc.cl)

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#### **Directorate of Doctoral Programs**

[www.doctorados.uc.cl](http://www.doctorados.uc.cl)

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**Directorate of Transfer and Development**

[www.transferenciaydesarrollo.uc.cl](http://www.transferenciaydesarrollo.uc.cl)

**Directorate of Arts & Culture**

[www.arteycultura.uc.cl](http://www.arteycultura.uc.cl)

**UC Innovation Center**

[www.centrodeinnovación.uc.cl](http://www.centrodeinnovación.uc.cl)

**1.4**

**Directorate of Doctoral Programs and Doctoral College (CPD)**

The Directorate of Doctoral Programs is part of the VRI. Its mission is to encourage, support and guide the development and quality of doctoral programs jointly with academic units. To fulfill its mission, the Directorate develops and manages a series of internal competitions and provides constant support to academics and PhD students in their research activities and interdisciplinary work.

The Directorate of Doctoral Programs and its team are responsible for articulating and coordinating the University's Doctoral College (CPD), whose purpose is to strengthen the quality of programs, promote policies and methods to ensure curricular flexibility, interdisciplinarity and the internationalization of doctoral studies.

The CPD is responsible for supporting the academic training of students by providing scholarships and financial support, and also by enhancing the development of transversal skills through the varied supply of courses and workshops offered. In addition, the CPD provides guidance and support to help students in their integration to university life and their interaction with other doctoral programs offered by UC.

Thus, the CPD provides the tools to for its programs to train students comprehensively in developing the knowledge and skills needed to carry out independent and innovative research and to solve broad-ranging problems that extend beyond the limits of a single discipline.

As a way to be near to students, the CPD established a general guidance office for students. There they can obtain detailed information on the academic possibilities available at UC, scholarships, cotutelage abroad, and the like.

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### **UC Doctorates**

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## **1.5**

### **Our University**

#### **1.5.1**

##### **About us**

The Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile (UC) is an educational community that cultivates knowledge enlightened by faith in a conscientious and critical manner and shares it with society. It thus contributes to the construction of an authentically humane nation, based on truth, freedom, justice, peace and solidarity.

The University takes part in the evangelizing mission of the Church, eager to make an effective contribution to this mission from higher education through a dialogue with culture. Accordingly, the University proposes an educational project that intends to train upstanding individuals; a commitment to the common good and the search for truth; its projection in the international academic field; an ongoing dialogue with society; an organizational framework characterized by people-centered management and the creation of stable funding sources.

Research and the doctoral program form part of the University's development pillars. Consequently, it promotes flexible and innovative training programs that accurately reflect the principles and values that inspire the University. This requires a top-level, highly committed faculty, novel and active teaching methods, and encouraging international cooperation and exchange.

#### **1.5.2**

##### **UC Campuses**

The University has five campuses located in different parts of Santiago and one in the city of Villarrica, in southern Chile.



### **Main Campus (Casa Central)**

Alameda 340, Santiago

Given its grandness, the main building was named University Palace (*Palacio Universitario*). Early works were completed in 1912.

*Casa Central* houses the Academic Board, the main administrative offices and the Faculties of Medicine, Biological Sciences, Law, and Media Science. It is close to the Universidad Católica Metro station.

- 36,382 square meters of land with buildings covering an area of 67,506 square meters.
- 16 buildings, two libraries and two cafeterias.
- Map: [www.uc.cl/es/mapas](http://www.uc.cl/es/mapas)



### **Lo Contador Campus**

El Comendador 1916, Providencia

This is an old 18th. Century country farmhouse contemporary with other major works in Santiago such as the Calicanto Bridge. The big house is a national monument that is part of Santiago's architectural heritage. It houses the Faculty of Architecture, Design and Urban Studies.

- 22,015 square meters of land and buildings covering 16,565 square meters.
- 15 buildings, one library and a cafeteria.
- Map: [www.uc.cl/es/mapas](http://www.uc.cl/es/mapas)



### **Campus Oriente**

Av. Jaime Guzmán Errázuriz 3300,  
Providencia

- The building is over 70 years old. It belonged to the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, commonly known as the "French Nuns". It includes the Faculty of Arts and the Institute of Aesthetics.
- 59,118 square meters of land and buildings covering 27,032 square meters.
- 11 buildings, a library and two cafeterias.
- Map: [www.uc.cl/es/mapas](http://www.uc.cl/es/mapas)



### **Campus San Joaquín**

Av. Vicuña Mackenna 4860, Macul

- Bequeathed by Honoria Gandarillas from part of her Macul farm (first division of the Macul farm and the Hijuela San Joaquín and included in the University's estate in 1894. It has a very modern infrastructure and houses the faculties of Agriculture and Forestry, Economic and Administrative Sciences, Social Science, Education, Philosophy, Physics, History, Geography and Political Sciences, Engineering, Literature, Mathematics, Chemistry, Theology, Nursing School and the College.
- 506.176 square meters of land and buildings covering 182.086 square meters.
- 73 buildings, four libraries and six cafeterias.
- Map: [www.uc.cl/es/mapas](http://www.uc.cl/es/mapas)

### **Campus Villarrica**

O'Higgins 501, Villarrica

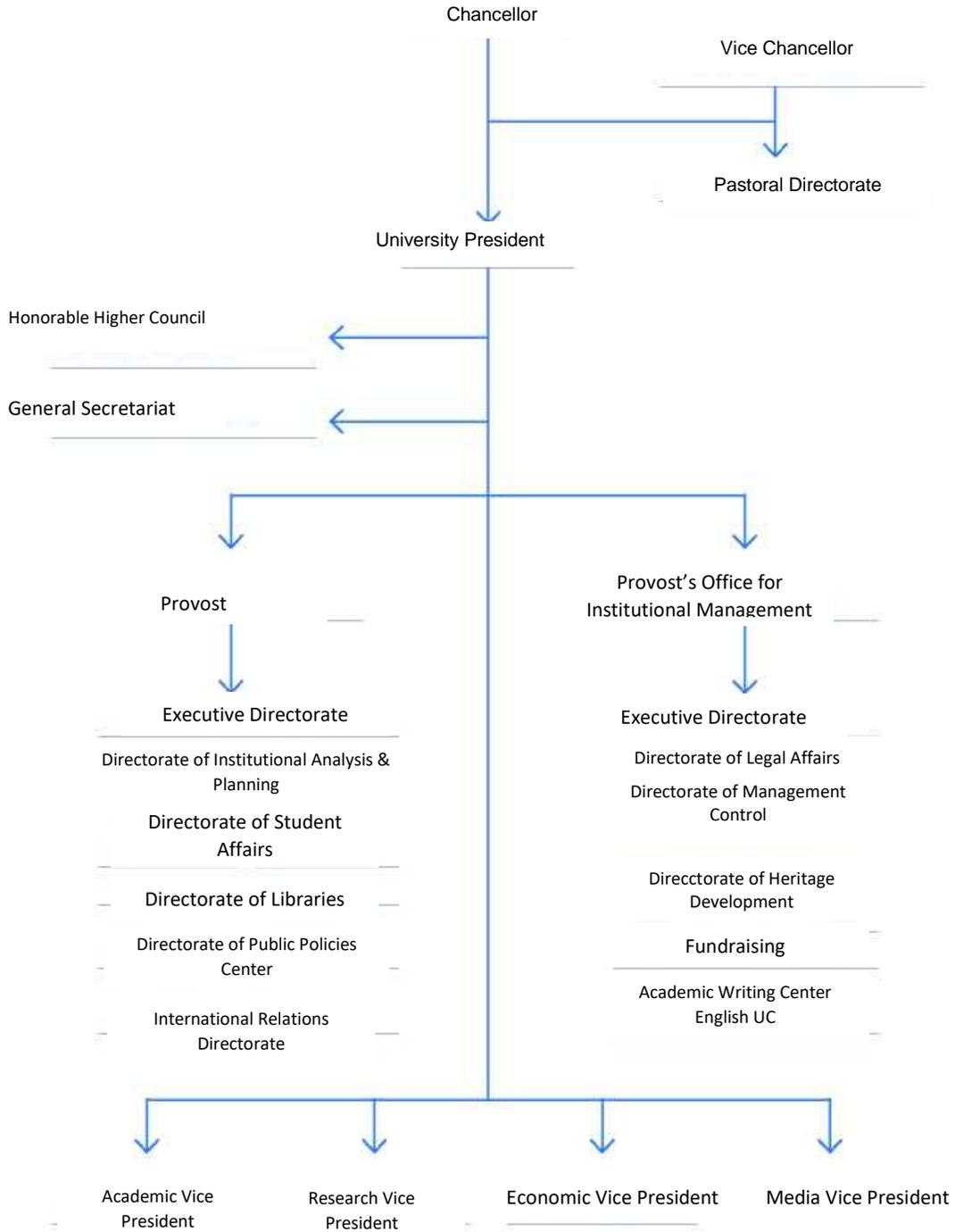


- This modern building was built in 2001. Most activities related to academic programs, management and administration take place here.
- 2,362 square meters of land and buildings covering 2,252 square meters.
- One building including a library, a museum, a cafeteria and 10 student dorms.
- Map: [www.uc.cl/es/mapas](http://www.uc.cl/es/mapas)



1. .5.3

**Organization Chart of the Main UC Authorities**



Vice Presidencies

| Academic Vice Presidency                  | Research Vice Presidency                            | Economic Vice Presidency      | Media Vice Presidency               |
|---|---|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Executive Directorate                     | Executive Directorate                               | Executive Directorate         | Executive Directorate               |
| Academic Directorate of Teaching          | Directorate of Research                             | Budget & Finance Directorate  | Media Directorate                   |
| Directorate of Academic Development       | Directorate of Doctoral Programs & Doctoral College | Personnel Directorate         | Directorate of Continuing Education |
| Admissions & Student Funding Directorate  | Arts & Culture Directorate                          | Directorate of Infrastructure | Outreach Directorate                |
| Teacher Development Center Directorate    | Transfer & Development Directorate                  | Computer Science Directorate  | UC Publishing Directorate           |
| Directorate of Systems & Academic Records | Anacleto Anzelini UC Innovation Center              | Audit Directorate             | Marketing Directorate               |
| Directorate of Inclusion College          |   |                               | Alumni                              |

## 1.6

### Nota Bene

#### 1.6.1

##### **General Regulations for Doctoral Studies**

The University has regulations governing internal procedures, administrative staff and academics that everyone must be familiar with. The main regulatory standards for doctoral studies are:

- General Doctoral Studies Regulations
- Doctoral Student Regulations
- UC Intellectual & Industrial Property Regulations
- Science Ethics Committees Regulations.

In addition, each doctoral program has its specific regulations.

#### 1.6.11

**General Doctoral Studies Regulations** establish regulatory guidelines and general conceptual definitions that apply to doctoral studies, their structure and administration. It defines procedures and requirements for admission, advancement, for graduation and for obtaining a degree.

#### 1.6.1.2

**Doctoral Student Regulations** establish specific rules for doctoral studies. They include definitions and procedures that range from specifying student quality to standards for academic advancement and measures for disciplinary offenses. Furthermore, it defines procedures involving transfer, resignation, suspension, removal, candidacy, doctoral theses and graduation.

General Regulations and Students<sup>20</sup>' Regulations supplement each other and are the starting point for Doctoral Program Regulations which, together, set out specific features for each doctoral program.

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**Intellectual and Industrial Property Rights Regulations** are intended to regulate the rights and obligations related to works and inventions developed by members of the university community or by any individual involved in university projects and activities, including visiting academics and students.

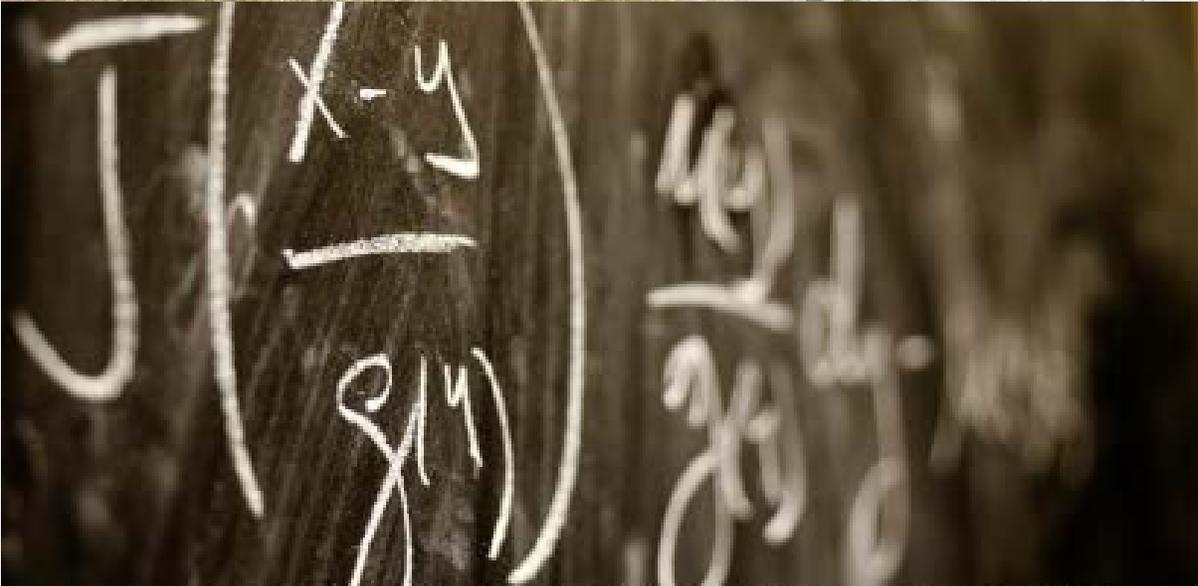
1.6.14

**Science Ethics Committees Regulations**

These Regulations require creating Institutional Science Ethics Committees by research field (Health Sciences, Social Sciences and Humanities; Care and Use of Animals, Environmental Intervention & Safety in Research). The Regulations also determine the way Committees should function and, significantly, the responsibilities of the Principal Investigator before, during and after research.

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Full regulations are available on the Doctoral College web site, in the Documents section at [www.doctorados.uc.cl](http://www.doctorados.uc.cl).



Chapter 2

# Doing Research at UC

## 2.1 Chile, a great opportunity for studying

The quality of academic institutions in Chile make it an attractive country to visit, study and do research. This is reflected in the steady increase of international students and academic mobility among its higher education institutions.

Chile has natural laboratories and a big increase in domestic and foreign investment in science and technology. Similarly, the promotion of innovation, joint work between the public and private sectors and emphasis on increasing advanced human capital characterize the current scenario in research, an area where universities, especially UC, are at the forefront.

## 2.2 The advantages of being at UC

The history of the Pontifical Catholic University of Chile, its organizational abilities, the stability and excellence of its academic staff, the quality of its infrastructure, its benefits and scholarships plus its international reputation, in addition to strategic alliances with the most important universities in the world make UC the highest in demand among higher education institutions by both Chilean and international students.

UC is one of the most important domestic and Latin American institutions. The National Education Council reported that, in terms of undergraduate studies, UC is the Chilean university that attracts the

highest number of international students: one of every four new incoming students is from abroad.

Research is carried out in every field at the University: there are 34 doctoral programs ranging from Arts to Neuroscience. In 2016, UC had over 700 externally funded ongoing research projects, 1,750 ISI publications in 2015 and 1,903 publications in Scopus. In addition, UC had 102 granted patents up to December 2016. Thus, UC ranks as the leader among applicants for invention patents in Chile.

Over 1,100 students are currently studying for their PhD degree at UC. Of the total, 20 percent are international students from 32 countries, mostly from South America. Throughout its history, more than 1,589 PhDs have graduated from UC and the University continues to help create a critical mass of researchers in Chile and abroad.

The University's leadership in research and graduate programs has had considerable influence on Chilean society and its scientific community and in Latin America. It has thus become an important research center in social sciences, natural science, health, economics, agriculture, philosophy, theology, arts and literature. Furthermore, its research activities make it possible to support doctoral programs and create a stimulating educational and intellectual environment.

### 2.3

#### **Institutional support**

UC has the highest institutional accreditation level (7 years) in all the fields evaluated by the National Accreditation Commission (CNA), an independent institution responsible for verifying and promoting the quality of higher education in Chile. Accredited fields include: institutional management, undergraduate teaching, graduate teaching, research and community

involvement. Furthermore, the University is considered a national and Latin American leader (World University Ranking QS 2015-2016).

## **2.4**

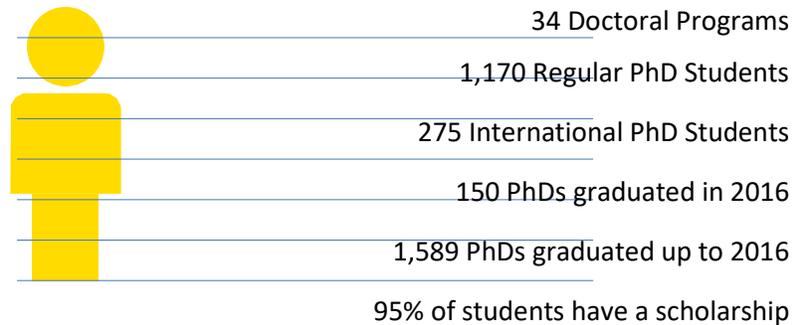
### **Internationalization**

The development of the University and of research in a globalized world unavoidably involves more openness and international links. The internationalization of UC doctoral programs is based on three pillars: inter-institutional cooperation for research stays and cotutelage for dissertations at centers of excellence; attraction of top-level international students, creation of conditions for “internationalization at home” made possible by the constant flow of international academics, in addition to the presence of a high number of foreign students and international networks and activities. UC thus has access to many cooperation agreements with educational establishments of international repute.

## 2.5

### UC Doctorates in figures\*

The sound results of our academic activities in graduate programs validate the academic excellence, research capacity and the image of the Catholic University of Chile.



55 graduates obtained a double degree in the last 5 years

\* 2016 Data

## 2.5

### Cotutelage & Codirection of Dissertations

Doctorates, a period of intense study, research and creation, provide a training experience that must be viewed in an international context and of scientific cooperation. Accordingly, UC is committed to encouraging dissertations undertaken under cotutelage and codirection for its doctoral students at first-rate international universities and also for external students who wish to study under the system of cotutelage or codirection at UC.

#### 2.6.1

### Cotutelage

This method offers doctoral candidates the possibility of having two dissertation advisers, one at their University of origin and another at the receiving university.

Each dissertation cotutelage involves<sup>26</sup> an agreement between two institutions. The agreement specifies the terms and conditions of the cotutelage.

### **Academic degree awarded through cotutelage**

- Double degree: doctoral students can obtain a PhD from their university of origin and from the receiving university abroad providing the cotutelage.
- Joint degree: upon completing their studies, students are awarded a single degree which is recognized by both universities.

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**Further information at:** [www.doctorados.uc.cl.sección  
\"Internacionalización\"](http://www.doctorados.uc.cl.sección\)

#### 2.6.2

##### **Codirection**

Dissertation writers may also have two advisers: one at their university of origin and another at the receiving university to support the dissertation work carried out under this method. The degree is only awarded by the university of origin and requires no binding agreement.

#### 2.6.3

##### **Cotutelage Agreements with International Institutions**

To simplify management of this approach and enhance inter-institutional cooperation, UC has signed cotutelage dissertation framework agreements with the following institutions:

##### **Architecture & Urban Studies**

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- Politecnico di Torino, Italy.
- Università luav di Venezia, Italy.

### **Astrophysics**

- Università degli studi di Padova, Italy
- University of Maryland, U.S.A.
- Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg, Germany.

### **Biological Sciences**

- Université Victor Segalen Bordeaux II, France.
- Paris VI, Université Pierre et Marie Curie, France.
- University of Groningen, The Netherlands.

### **Agricultural Sciences**

- Université Victor Segalen Bordeaux II, France.

### **Education**

- Paris V, Université René Descartes, France.

### **Law**

- Universidad de Salamanca, Spain.

### **Physics**

- Paris VI, Université Pierre et Marie Curie, France.
- Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (KU Leuven), Belgium

### **Engineering Sciences**

- Beijing Jiaotong University, China.
- Institut National Polytechnique de Grenoble, France.
- Politecnico di Milano, Italy.
- Politecnico di Torino, Italy.
- The University of Notre Dame du Lac, U.S.A.
- Universidad Politécnica de Valencia, Spain.
- University of Colorado at Boulder, U.S.A.

- University of Waterloo, Canada.
- Virginia Polytechnic and State University, U.S.A.

### **Medical Sciences**

- Paris VI, Université Pierre et Marie Curie, France.
- University of Groningen, The Netherlands.

### **Statistics**

- University of South Carolina, U.S.A.

### **Mathematics**

- Paris VI, Université Pierre et Marie Curie, France.

### **Psychotherapy**

- Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg, Germany.

### **Chemistry**

- Paris VI, Université Pierre et Marie Curie, France.

### **Neuroscience**

- Achucarro Basque Center for Neuroscience, Spain.
- University of Groningen, The Netherlands.

### **All fields**

- Technische Universität Berlin, Germany.
- University of Technology, Sydney, Australia
- Universidad Nacional de Colombia.

Furthermore, UC is party to agreements signed by the Chilean Council of University Presidents (CRUCH) with German, French and French-speaking universities in Belgium in the framework of the Doctoral Colleges.

PhD students can also enter into cotutelage or codirection

agreements for their dissertations with universities with which UC has no agreements in force. This is because each dissertation is negotiated by specific agreements for each case.

#### 2.6.4

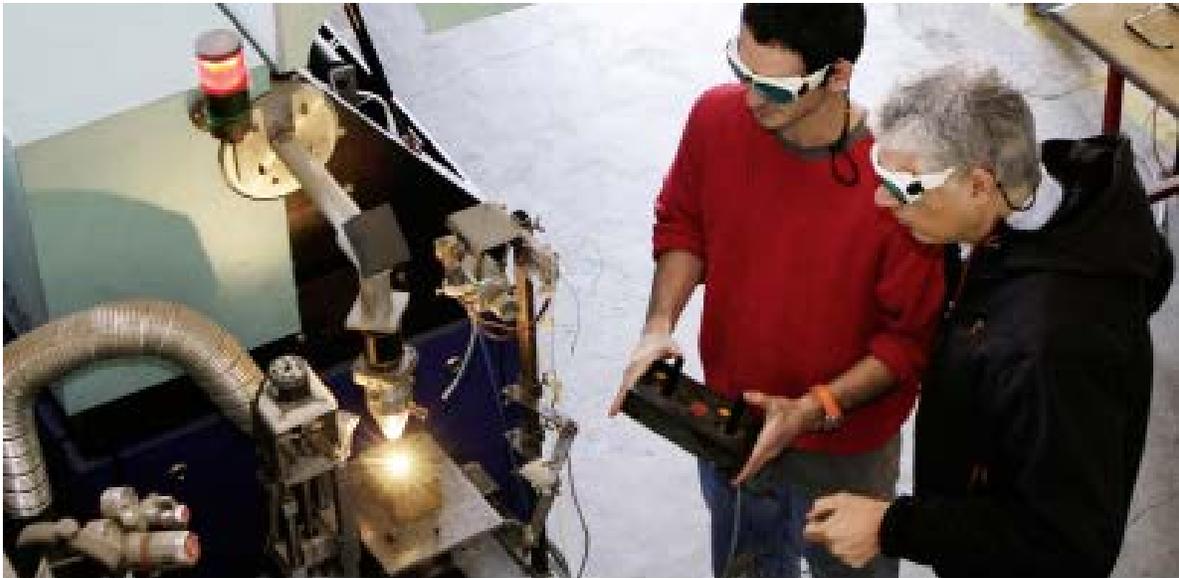
### **Cotutelage Financing**

Internal and external funds are available to finance travel and subsistence expenses for research stays for students who are writing their dissertations under cotutelage at UC or international universities. These funding opportunities range from internationalization competitions organized by the VRI (see details in Chapter 5) to a varied supply of resources from government and international agencies such as:

- **Conicyt Cotutelage PhD Scholarships Abroad** to start or continue cotutelage PhD studies at international institutions of excellence in any field.
- **Pacific Alliance Student Mobility and Academic Scholarships** that finance stays abroad for one or two semester for academics and doctoral candidates. Participating countries: Chile, Colombia, Peru and Mexico.
- **OAS-UAndes Scholarship** for doctoral internships at the Universidad de Los Andes, Colombia.

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See further details at: [www.doctorados.uc.cl](http://www.doctorados.uc.cl) Section “Becas y apoyos”



Chapter 3

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# Doctoral Programs

Doctorates are available in a broad array of fields at UC. In total, there are 35 programs ranging from Arts to Neuroscience.

## 3.1

### Programs per field

#### 3.1.1

##### **Interdisciplinary programs**

- Mathematics
- Architecture & Urban Studies
- Geography
- Neuroscience
- Psychotherapy

#### 3.1.2

##### **Natural Sciences & Mathematics**

- Astrophysics
- Physics
- Statistics
- Chemistry
- Biological Sciences with majors in:
  - Cell Biology & Molecular Biology
  - Physiological Sciences
  - Ecology
  - Molecular Genetics & Microbiology

#### 3.1.3

##### **Engineering & Technology**

- Engineering Sciences, including<sup>32</sup>:
  - Civil Engineering
  - Chemical Engineering & Bioprocesses
  - Electrical Engineering

Computer Science  
Mechanical Engineering  
Industrial & Transport Engineering

#### 3.1.4

#### **Medical Sciences & Healthcare**

- Medical Sciences

#### 3.1.5

#### **Agricultural Sciences**

Agricultural Sciences

#### 3.1.6

#### **Social Sciences**

- Political Sciences
- Communication Sciences
- Education
- Law
- Economics
- Psychology
- Sociology

#### 3.1.7

#### **Humanities**

- Philosophy
- History
- Linguistics
- Literature
- Theology

#### 3.1.8

#### **Arts**

- Arts

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Detailed information per field:  
[www.uc.cl/](http://www.uc.cl/), Section on “Programas”

3.2  
**Structure**

Programs consist of eight semesters of mandatory and elective courses. Students must also take a Candidacy Examination –the academic method employed to evaluate their knowledge and capacity for critical analysis in their own field of knowledge. Passing the Candidacy Examination enables students to become doctoral candidates, ready to continue working on their dissertations.

3.3  
**Academic year**

The academic year at UC is divided into two semesters: March-July and August-December. Winter vacations are in July and summer vacations are in January-February.

3.4  
**Comprehensive Skills Development**

The Doctoral College coordinates a series of workshops to develop comprehensive skills and English courses for doctoral students. The idea is to supplement their disciplinary training and provided future graduates with added value and a distinguishing skill.

The areas addressed provide practical skills for scientific communication, technology transfer, intellectual property and proficiency in another language. The idea is to help graduates enhance their links to the scientific community and the social and production settings. These comprehensive activities are requirements for graduation from every doctoral program. Upon finishing their studies, students must have completed at least 3 of the comprehensive skills workshops, one of which must be in Ethics and Research Integrity in addition to having reached the required ALTE 3 proficiency level in English.

3.4.1

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**Comprehensive Skills Workshops offered by CPD**

**Making Academic Presentations in English**

- The workshop teaches theoretical and practical strategies for adequate language management in scientific and professional settings. Upon completing the workshop, students will be able to apply English communication tools to make presentations at meetings, act as moderators at working meetings, participate in meetings, interact and negotiate with their peers. The goal is for students to be able to present their work and research at meetings and seminars and function in academic, social and professional contexts.

### **Writing in English**

- The workshop teaches students practical tools to prepare manuscripts in English, based on the fundamental rules for drafting and analyzing scientific articles. It teaches a combination of the linguistic features of academic composition genres in English, i.e. summaries and critiques, academic essays and abstracts according to the purpose and development of English writing strategies that help draft a scientific text developed by doctoral candidates, using the appropriate academic style based on the conventions on the subject area of the students.

### **Technology Transfer and Intellectual Property**

- The workshop teaches students the basic principles and tools to carry out high impact research studies to be considered for the results of doctoral research, so as to promote technology transfer, teach patenting knowledge and develop research-based ideas for business. Upon completing the workshop, students will be able to identify the technical elements of technology transfer and intellectual property, be familiar with

applicable regulations in force (established by the University and also domestic and international ones), and the procedures and potential afforded by intellectual property so as to protect and manage works created by doctoral candidates.

### **Research Ethics and Integrity**

- The workshop provides the fundamental ethical grounds needed to lead, think about, participate in and carry out research in terms of respecting the values, rights, responsibility and integrity that must be taken into account in doctoral research, given the domestic and international legislation applicable to scientific activities. Doctoral students who do research in areas related to human health are required to complete their training by taking specific course modules taught by the Faculty of Medicine. The above also applies to doctoral students whose research studies involve using animals for experimental purposes. The latter are further required to complete and pass the Ethics and Animal Welfare modules.

### **Teaching Skills**

- The workshop helps doctoral students develop skills, criteria and tools for university-level teaching centered on student learning for all. The course is an opportunity to become familiar with course planning strategies and their application to course planning, based on setting objectives and general evaluation and methodological strategies to achieve top quality in university teaching. Furthermore, the workshop reviews some specific methods to be used for methodological purposes and strategies to evaluate students. The importance of the workshop lies in that it provides

basic and practical tools to facilitate teaching practices for students.

### **English course and tests**

- Given that knowledge of English among students enrolled in the different doctoral programs varies considerably, the Doctoral College (CPD) implemented in 2013 a program of serial English courses. It started out as a pilot program and, as of 2015, it is part of the curriculum for all doctoral students. **English courses start off with a diagnostic test to determine entry levels and, depending on results, students enroll in the corresponding course.** The goal is to achieve certification in English upon completion of the doctoral program. Students are evaluated by an exit test.

#### 3.4.2

### **Other workshops, courses and student support services for doctoral candidates**

#### **Academic Writing Center English UC**

- English UC is a self-study service offered to students that teaches them to write science texts in English. The methods employed match the students' language proficiency. They are evaluated by Professor Gracielle Pereira, a specialist in this field and member of the English UC team. The service is available to doctoral students and academic members of the doctoral programs. Applications must be sent to [grpereira@uc.cl](mailto:grpereira@uc.cl) to participate in the calendar Remote Learning: Academic Writing.

### **SIBUC Workshops**

- Each semester, UC libraries offer specific data workshops to support research. The workshops supplement doctoral training programs and include: “How to manage your references with Refworks”, “Web of Science” and “Essential Science Indicators (Scopus), “SCIMago, Journal Citation Reports”, “APA Standards” and “MLA Standards”.

### **Experiencing the Arts**

- The Arts and Culture Directorate of the Research Vice-Presidency offers a course on “Experiencing the Arts” for doctoral students. The course is available during the first and second semesters of each academic year. This theoretical and practical activity is intended to allow students to live the experience of the eight expressions of art. The course is divided into two modules that offer theoretical classes on Visual Arts, Drama, Architecture, Music, Opera, Ballet, Poetry and Cinema. There is a “field trip” to have a direct experience on the discipline addressed the previous week.

### **Employability Workshops**

- The Professional Development Center (CDP) is part of the Student Affairs Directorate (DAE). It provides advice and guidance to students who are in the process of finishing their (undergraduate or graduate) university studies and are about to start working. Each year, a group of psychologists organizes a series of free workshops to assist students in a broad array of subjects. The workshops cover subjects such as: “Professional

profile and project: self-awareness and technical competences”; “Evolution of the labor market”; “Effective Résumés”; “Work Interviews” and “Psychological Tests”.



## Chapter 4

# Enrollment

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### 4.1

#### **Admission requirements**

Admission to a doctoral program requires already having an academic degree: either a licentiate (or equivalent) and/or a Master's degree. Each PhD program has its own admissions system and applications calendar which can be consulted on the pertinent program's web site.

### 4.2

#### **Enrollment procedure**

Once they have been accepted in a doctoral program, students must complete the enrollment procedure and submit the required documents. Questions must be submitted to the pertinent doctoral program and, if applicable, information should be provided on any existing scholarships.

#### **What is the RUN (or RUT)?**

This is a single, unique number assigned to all Chileans, whether they reside in Chile or not. It is also assigned to foreigners living in Chile, either temporarily or permanently. It is assigned by the Civil Registry & Identification Service (details in Chapter 8).

#### **RUN (or RUT) for foreigners**

If foreign students lack a RUN number at enrollment time, UC will enroll them using a temporary five digit number until they obtain their RUN number through the Civil Registry and Identification Service. The temporary number will then be changed for the official number.

## **Course Selection**

The next step is course selection. This is done with assistance from the Academic Unit of the pertinent doctoral program. Starting in the second semester, regular doctoral students must enroll for courses directly, via the Online Course Registration System (Banner), within the time-frames established in the academic calendar for the pertinent period.

Enrolment information and procedures:

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**Dirección de Admisión y Registros Académicos**

**[dsrd.uc.cl](http://dsrd.uc.cl)**

Sección Postgrados y Postítulos

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**Dirección de Aranceles y Beneficios:**

[arancelesybeneficios.uc.cl](http://arancelesybeneficios.uc.cl)

Chapter 5

# Financing Opportunities

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Over 95% of PhD students at UC at have some kind of scholarship that covers their studies and subsistence. This is thanks to different internal and external financing sources that grant scholarships for doctoral studies and for research stays and cotutelage at the Pontifical Catholic University of Chile and top-level international universities.

## 5.1.1

### **5.1 Scholarships & benefits**

External scholarships are the financing method preferred by UC Doctorates for PhD studies. Students who wish to obtain financial support can apply for full external scholarships.

The main external funding sources are academic cooperation organizations, government cooperation agencies and international mobility and cooperation programs such as the following:

- National Commission for Scientific and Technological Research (CONICYT), Chile ([www.conicyt.cl](http://www.conicyt.cl)).
- Chilean International Cooperation Agency (AGCI) ([www.agci.cl](http://www.agci.cl)).
- Organization of American States - International (OAS), ([www.oas.org](http://www.oas.org)).
- Student Mobility and Academic Scholarships Program, Pacific Alliance, Chile, Colombia, Peru and Mexico ([www.alianzapacifico.net](http://www.alianzapacifico.net)).
- Senescyt, Ecuador ([www.senescyt.gob.ec](http://www.senescyt.gob.ec)).
- CONACYT, Paraguay – National Scholarships Program “Don Carlos Antonio López” (<http://www.conacyt.gov.py/becasenelexterior>).
- ANII, Uruguay ([www.anii.org.uy](http://www.anii.org.uy)).
- Colfuturo, Icetex & Colciencias, Colombia ([www.colfuturo.org](http://www.colfuturo.org)).
- Pronabec, Peru ([www.pronabec.gob.pe](http://www.pronabec.gob.pe)).
- DAAD, Germany ([www.daad.de](http://www.daad.de)).
- Fundación Carolina, Spain ([www.fundacióncarolina.es](http://www.fundacióncarolina.es)).

### 5.1.2

**Internal scholarships:** for students who prove that they were unable to obtain external funding, UC has support methods, through the Research Vice-Presidency, to fund both full PhD studies and also to carry out supplementary internationalization and mobility activities.<sup>44</sup>

### **Subsistence Allowance and Tuition Exemption Benefits**

- Teaching Assistant (*Ayudante*) and Trainee Instructor (*Instructor Becario*) Scholarships: assistance granting full exemption from tuition payments that provides subsistence for PhD students who are starting their studies or who have passed their PhD candidacy examination and are working on their dissertations. Starting and closing dates are coordinated with the application for the PhD Studies Scholarship in Chile granted by CONICYT.
- Residence Benefit for PhD Students: assistance that grants full exemption from tuition payments for students who have completed enrollment in all the credits in their doctoral program, including dissertation credits, but who have still not finished their dissertation.

### **Other Benefits and Awards**

- **Health Insurance:** the University offers to pay for a collective insurance policy that covers, to a large extent, basic medical needs in the event of illness or accident. Coverage extends up to the ninth semester of the stay of PhD students who lack medical coverage.
- **Dissertation Excellence Award:** this honor acknowledges and encourages research by PhD graduates whose doctoral dissertations help disseminate Chilean science, humanities, arts and technologies.

### 5.1.3

#### **Competitive Funds to encourage Internationalization**

Several internal scholarship options are available for PhD students at UC:

- **Cotutelage abroad:** financing for cotutelage internships to obtain a double degree while preparing dissertations, at universities and international research centers of excellence.
- **Stays abroad or codirection for students preparing PhD dissertations:** this fosters international and intercultural integration in research and training when UC doctoral candidates go abroad for internships or codirection lasting one to six months.
- **Support for doctoral candidates to attend international meetings:** partial funding for travel expenses, lodging and/or registration. The amount of funds is determined by the country or field for students to present papers at international meetings.
- **Visiting Professor for PhD dissertations:** funding for stays of professors of international repute to participate in the PhD candidacy examination or dissertation defense of UC students.
- **Support for seminars organized by doctoral candidates:** these funds are intended to support the organization of meetings of researchers in their own fields or interdisciplinary meetings, via seminars, symposia, workshops, etc., organized by teams of UC PhD students.
- **Settling-in Allowance for New<sup>46</sup> International Students:** this is a one-time payment to help international students with their initial expenses in any of the 34 doctoral programs offered by UC.

- Dissertation in Three Minutes Competition (3MT® UC): reward for mastery of effective communication skills in a language suitable for a lay audience.
- **Network of Doctorates Scholarships**, granted by the Organization of Catholic Universities in Latin America and the Caribbean (Oducal), ([www.oducal.uc.cl](http://www.oducal.uc.cl)).

**Competitive funds**, granted by the Directorate of International Relations (DRI UC).

**Nota Bene:**

**What is DRI-UC?**

The Directorate of International Relations (DRI UC) is a unit dependent on the Office of the UC Deputy Vice President. Its mission is to promote, manage and support international academic development at the University. This is carried out by several activities and programs.

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[www.relacionesinternacionales.uc.cl](http://www.relacionesinternacionales.uc.cl)



## Chapter Six

# Student Services

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### 6.1

#### Life at UC

#### 6.1.1

##### **General Information Office for Students**

The Doctoral Programs College has a unit to answer questions from students on several matters such as scholarships and financial support, workshops on comprehensive skills, possibilities for cotutelages abroad, among many others.

Location: Research Vice-Presidency.  
Alameda 324, 4th. Floor, Santiago  
[doctorados@uc.cl](mailto:doctorados@uc.cl)  
Tel: 22354 2108

Open to students: Monday, Wednesday & Friday,  
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

#### 6.1.2

##### **Directorate of Student Affairs (DAE)**

The mission of DAE is to support the comprehensive development of undergraduate and graduate students. Consequently, it provides services and support, development and prevention programs aimed at the needs of students in health care, sports and university life so as to stimulate their interests and help them in different stages of their education.

DAE constantly conducts extra-curricular activities to enrich university life for students. It offers co-curricular training possibilities to teach students good quality, readily accessible comprehensive tools. DAE is one of the pillars for creating the distinctive seal for which UC wishes its students to be known.

Consequently, UC offers a series of services and activities to students, such as:

- Guidance for their projects, literary and photography competitions, support for joining the labor market (CDP Workshop and individual guidance), extra-curricular workshops (arts and sports).
- Mass recreational activities throughout the year where the entire UC community participates (*Fiesta de la Chilenidad* [celebration of Chilean identity], Running UC, Intercampus biking event, etc.).
- Use and rental of sporting facilities, San Joaquín Campus (football fields, gymnasium, swimming pools, tennis courts, etc.)
- Top quality, timely medical, dental and psychological care; programs and campaigns promoting healthy life styles and disease prevention; support for academic performance and programs to integrate special needs students.

There are several ways to participate and find out about these services. Access to the numerous options for training or personal growth provided by the University can be found in the VIVE LA UC magazine and at [www.vivelauc.cl](http://www.vivelauc.cl). PhD students can follow the news and information on their fields through

Facebook on “*Estudiantes de Postgrado UC*” and the Newsletter for graduate students.

To stay abreast of what is going on in the University in general, students can read the community newspaper VISION UC, intended for students, academics and staff members. This monthly newspaper is free of charge and it is available on racks in each campus. It is also available on line at [www.uc.cl/es/vision-uc](http://www.uc.cl/es/vision-uc)

Another UC publication is *Revista Universitaria* (RU), a magazine for UC alumni, to keep in touch with them once they have completed their studies. [www.uc.cl/es/revista-universitaria](http://www.uc.cl/es/revista-universitaria)

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**Dirección de Asuntos Estudiantiles** (Student Affairs Directorate)

vivelauc.cl

Tel: 22354 2774

6.1.3

## **Health Care**

### **Student Health – Medical Unit**

The University has a four unit student health care service: Medical Unit, Psychological Support Unit, Dental Unit and Healthy Campus.

It provides guidance and cares for students’ health needs during their studies. The health care services provide timely, top quality services for medical, dental, psychological and emergency care. Healthy Campus (*Campus Saludable*) promotes an active and healthy University through different self-care programs organized for the UC Community.

The Psychological Support Unit has a team of experienced psychologists and psychiatrists to treat university students. All regular students are eligible for this entirely confidential treatment.

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**Servicio de Salud Estudiantil UC** (UC Student Health Care Service)  
saludestudiantil.uc.cl

### **Health Insurance**

All international and Chilean students enrolled in UC must be covered by public or private insurance. If not, they must purchase insurance for this purpose during their studies, with coverage lasting until they complete their studies at UC.

The University offers a Health Insurance Policy for Graduate Students (*Alumnos de Postgrado UC*) which covers most of the basic needs in the event of an accident or illness.

As a benefit for doctoral students, the Research Vice-Presidency (VRI) covers the cost of Health Insurance for Graduate Students **who lack medical coverage** (health insurance, Fonasa or Isapre), or **who lack external financing** for this purpose (CONICYT scholarship or equivalent granted by other countries). For the doctoral program, the VRI assumes the cost of health insurance for a maximum of nine semesters.

### **Nota Bene: International students**

- When purchasing UC Health Insurance<sup>52</sup>, international students should use the same personal identity number (RUN or RUT) with which they enrolled at UC.

When students are given a RUN number, they must inform both the Academic Records (*Registros Académicos*) and Student Health (Salud Estudiantil) Departments for data to be brought up to date on their records.

**Dirección de Salud Estudiantil** (Student Health Directorate)

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**Purchase & notice of termination of insurance:**

Elba Estay

[eestay@uc.cl](mailto:eestay@uc.cl)

Tel: 22354 5402

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**Directorate of Doctoral Programs:** questions on insurance payments and insurance requirements:

**Camila Cancino**

[ccancinoh@uc.cl](mailto:ccancinoh@uc.cl)

Tel: 22354 6755

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**Details on Health Insurance for Graduate Students:**

[medica.saludestudiantil.uc.cl/alumnos-de-postgrado](http://medica.saludestudiantil.uc.cl/alumnos-de-postgrado)

6.1.4

**UC Libraries System (SIBUC)**

The UC Libraries System consists of a network of libraries attached to the Office of the Prosecretary. It provides services such as information, collections, technology and the physical facilities needed by the University's academic units.

The ten libraries are distributed throughout the five University campuses and the Dr. Sótero del Río Hospital. They offer wireless access in comfortable individual and collective study areas, rooms equipped with computers and several areas to consult printed, digital or virtual

material. In terms of quality and quantity, UC Libraries has one of the best conventional and electronic university libraries in Chile.

Various settings with technological equipment and wireless access offer the university community different options of methods for studying, learning and research.

### **Excellent Collections**

- There are over 1,800,000 books, journal fascicles, dissertations, newspapers, music scores, maps, plans, newspaper clippings, theater programs, photographs, posters, Blu-Ray discs, DVDs, audio CDs, etc. in the UC libraries.
- There is online access to the full texts of 30,000 electronic journals (including journals available on data bases) and 30,000 electronic books thanks to access to over 200 international bibliographic databases.
- Several other informational resources are available thanks to inter-library loans with over 180 national institutions and other national and international agreements.
- Comprehensive searches can be made in all these collections through [www.bibliotecas.uc.cl](http://www.bibliotecas.uc.cl).

### **Different information services in the ten libraries and the web site**

- TodoSIBUC provides access to books, dissertations, films, CDs, maps, videogames and full version of printed or electronic journals. Access to unique manuscripts in Chile.
  - Multiple searches: articles and papers presented at meetings, and patents can be searched for in all the databases and magazines to which UC Libraries subscribes.
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**SIBUC UC Library System**  
[www.bibliotecas.uc.cl/](http://www.bibliotecas.uc.cl/)

### 6.1.5

#### **Sports**

**Deportes UC** is part of the Directorate of Student Affairs. It promotes sports and physical activity among the university community through sports courses, workshops, mass sports events and by making available sports facilities for students, teachers and staff.

Sports are part of academic activities (they provide sports credits), competitive (university teams and internal championships) and recreational activities (workshops and mass events).

- All students may use the sports and recreational facilities in the San Joaquín campus, such as football fields, multi-sports fields, gym, exercise equipment room and fitness rooms, swimming pool, and indoor rock climbing. Appointments must be made and a fee must be paid.

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**Deportes UC** (UC Sports)  
[deportes.uc.cl/](http://deportes.uc.cl/)

### 6.1.6

#### **Outreach**

The *Centro de Extensión* is dedicated to promoting culture, and to transferring and renewing knowledge<sup>55</sup> and also to the effective integration between the University's potentialities and the requirements of society.

Centro de Extensión offers concerts, conferences, exhibitions, films (CineUC), courses, plays, graduate courses and diplomas, book launchings, workshops, seminars, etc. Activities are open to the public.

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**Centro de Extensión UC** (UC Outreach Center)

Alameda 390

Visual arts, cinema, children's plays

Tel: 22354 6546

Tickets: 22354 6507

[Artesvisuales@uc.cl](mailto:Artesvisuales@uc.cl)

[cine@uc.cl](mailto:cine@uc.cl)

[uc.cl/extension](http://uc.cl/extension)

### 6.1.7

#### **Resources Frequently Used by Students**

##### 6.1.7.1

#### **UC University Card (TUC)**

The University Card (*Tarjeta Universitaria*) is the students' identity document within the University. It is non-transferable and grants access to libraries, using and borrowing books, medical services, etc. Students can also deposit money onto their TUC and use it to pay for the car park at the San Joaquín campus.

The card can also be used to pay for public transportation ("bip!" card) at regular rates and also enabled as a Banco Santander ATM card for use on the Redbanc network to get cash. If the card is lost, students must apply for a new card from the Directorate of Admissions and Academic Records.

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#### **TUC**

[tarjeta.uc.cl](http://tarjeta.uc.cl)

### 6.1.7.2

#### **Salas Crisol**

Computer rooms and labs are available at the four Santiago campuses. Salas Crisol have Apple, PC and Unix stations, all of which are hooked up to the University's network *Red UC*. Documents can be printed free of charge. Students must bring their own paper and they can print up to 100 one-sided pages per day. Open: Monday through Friday, from 7:50 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:10 p.m.

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#### **Salas y laboratorios** (Rooms & labs)

[informática.uc.cl/salas-crisol](http://informática.uc.cl/salas-crisol)

### 6.1.7.3

#### **UC e-mail**

*Correo UC* is the University's e-mail system. Each student has his/her e-mail address to receive e-mail from teachers, peers and University news. Students may also redirect messages to their personal e-mail accounts. Furthermore, in the University's section "Find people" (*Buscar personas*) students can look up the e-mail address of any student, teacher or staff member.

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#### **Correo UC** (UC e-mail)

[webaccess.uc.cl](http://webaccess.uc.cl)

### 6.1.7.4

#### **My UC website**

Virtual agenda for checking e-mail, <sup>57</sup>requesting certificates as a regular University student, organizing timetables, printing tuition payment vouchers and changing student course load. To

enter, students must use their UC e-mail user name and password.

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**Mi portal UC** (My UC website)

portal.uc.cl

#### 6.1.7.5

##### **UC Banner**

Online Course Registration System. At the end of every semester, students need to check the course description book and register for courses using this system. To register, students must have no outstanding debts with the Library and/or the Student Health system.

## 6.2

### **UC Pastoral**

The purpose of the Pastoral and Christian Culture Directorate is to implement the mission of the Church at the University. It does so by offering multiple opportunities to the community to include religion in their academic activities. The projects to achieve this goal are ones that strengthen community life, enhance the dialogue between faith and culture, provide comprehensive human education in the light of faith and promote a sacramental life, missionary actions and human solidarity.

The Pastoral Directorate is present at the five UC campuses. Some of the areas in which it offers support are listed below.

#### 6.2.1

##### **Talks, Seminars, Meetings and Training Courses**

Every semester, multiple training opportunities are offered to the internal and external community that address currently significant topics for the Church and society. Distinguished Chilean and international

speakers guide talks in different formats dealing with subjects such as the value of life, human ecology, science and faith, current challenges faced by families, pastoral innovation, etc.

### 6.2.2

#### **Research and creation**

Several competitions are held to distribute research funds or for innovation or creation projects so that members of the community have an opportunity to establish a dialogue between faith and their own discipline. Projects may be either individual or interdisciplinary and the funds provided range in amounts from CLP 1,000,000 up to CLP 5,000,000.

Research results are published in *Diálogos*, a University magazine intended to disseminate the contribution that UC makes to the Catholic faith based on its university identity. The website [www.pastoral.uc.cl/dialogos](http://www.pastoral.uc.cl/dialogos) provides access to the full online version of this publication, free of charge.

### 6.2.3

#### **Culture**

Bringing together different areas of culture and popular religiosity, and together with the different artistic disciplines found at UC, each year the University offers concerts, plays, musicals and exhibitions, open to the community, the main producers of which are University members.

### 6.2.4

#### **Volunteer work**

UC Pastoral offers opportunities to express solidarity via relief campaigns and also by constant visits to hospitals, jails and special homes. Remedial teaching initiatives for adults, young people and children are

also carried out. Thus, UC Pastoral offers opportunities for solidarian action to place its members at the service of those who are less fortunate.

#### 6.2.5

##### **Living a Christian Life**

Mass is celebrated daily on all campuses at 1:00 p.m. Confessions are heard, spiritual guidance is provided, and preparation for taking the sacraments is offered in addition to retreats and liturgical celebrations. Thus, members of the community can lead a sacramental life and one of prayer in the work place as part of their daily activities.

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##### **Templo Mayor, San Joaquín Campus**

Holy Mass: Monday-Friday, 1:00 p.m.

Confession: Monday-Friday: 12:30 p.m.- 2:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Thu, 8:15 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Extension 4749.

##### **Casa Central (Main Campus) Chapel:**

Holy Mass: Monday-Friday, 1:00 p.m.

Confession: Monday-Friday: 12:30 p.m.- 2:00 p.m. and at the Chaplain's office.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Wed, 8:15 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Extension 2741.

##### **Lo Contador Campus Chapel:**

Holy Mass: Tuesday-Friday, 1:00 p.m.

Confession: Tuesday-Friday: 11:00 p.m.- 12:45 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Thu, 1.30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., Extension 5664.

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##### **Campus Oriente Chapel:**

Holy Mass: Tuesday-Friday, 1:00 p.m.

Confession: Tuesday -Friday: 12:00 p.m.- 1:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Tue & Thu,  
12:00 p.m.- 1:00 p.m., Extension 5121.

For further information, see:  
[pastoral.uc.cl](http://pastoral.uc.cl)

### 6.3

#### **Nursery Schools & Kindergartens**

UC has no nursery schools or kindergartens for PhD students. Although the University cannot guarantee or assume any responsibility for the services offered by any given pre-school facilities, students should find out about institutions certified by and registered with the National Nursery Schools Board (Junta Nacional de Jardines Infantiles - JUNJI). Information is available on the JUNJI web site for all Santiago areas. The University further recommends searching among those recommended by someone they trust or who has personally used the services.

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**Search for nursery schools and kindergartens:**  
[www.junji.cl](http://www.junji.cl)

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# Becoming part of the UC Community

## 7.1

### Welcoming Committee

The UC Welcoming Committee (CAUC) is formed by Chilean and international students. Its mission is to help international students adapt to the University and the country. Multiple recreational and cultural activities are available to help international students interact with other students and help them to become more familiar with Chile's culture. Students can register through the web site to receive invitations to activities organized by CAUC.

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**Comisión de Acogida:** (Welcoming Committee)

[www.cauc.cl](http://www.cauc.cl)

## 7.2

### Graduate Circle

The Graduate Circle (*Círculo de Postgrado*) is a section of the *Vive la UC* web site used by the Directorate of Student Affairs to inform graduate students and guide them on subjects regarding University life. It is a centralized place for graduate students to find the information needed to experience their educational process in a comprehensive manner (news, scholarships, academic and cultural activities, etc.). Among other matters, it provides information to foreign students on the required academic procedures and practical information on Santiago and Chile. A monthly bulletin with news and information of interest for graduate students is sent out. They may also join the Facebook group “UC Graduate Students” (*Estudiantes de Postgrado UC*) to stay up to date.

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#### **Círculo de Postgrado**

[www.vidauniversitaria.uc.cl/postgrado](http://www.vidauniversitaria.uc.cl/postgrado)

Facebook:

[www.facebook.com/groups/postgradouc/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/postgradouc/)

## 7.3

### The Media

There are many communications methods available for the community of PhD students to find information and news about scholarships, competitions, academic, cultural and sports activities, etc. The main sources of information are:

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#### **UC social networks**

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/ucaticolica](https://www.facebook.com/ucaticolica)

Twitter: @ucaticolica

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#### **Directorate of Doctoral Programs social networks**

Facebook: Doctorados UC

Twitter: @doctoradosUC

**Community newspaper: VISIÓN UC**

[www.uc.cl/es/vision-uc](http://www.uc.cl/es/vision-uc)

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**Facebook group for UC Graduate Students**

[www.facebook.com/groups/postgradouc](http://www.facebook.com/groups/postgradouc)

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**UC Graduate circle**

[vidauniversitaria.uc.cl/postgrado](http://vidauniversitaria.uc.cl/postgrado)

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**Other external media**

**National Association of Graduate Researchers**

[anip.cl/](http://anip.cl/)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/groups/76115063910](http://www.facebook.com/groups/76115063910)

Twitter: @ANIP\_Chile

## Chapter 8

# International Students

### 8.1

#### Scholarships and Benefits for International Students

UC Doctoral Programs are noted for the high number of international students. This is valued by the University as one of its hallmark features which it wishes to enhance and strengthen. Internal scholarships and benefits are available both to national and international students who have permanent residence in Chile or not (details in Chapter 5).

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**For full information see:**

[www.uc.cl/es/alumnos-extranjeros](http://www.uc.cl/es/alumnos-extranjeros)

E-mail for questions:

[doctorados@uc.cl](mailto:doctorados@uc.cl)

[DRI@uc.cl](mailto:DRI@uc.cl)

### 8.2

#### Visas

Residence visas for students are granted to foreigners who come to Chile to study as regular students, at State-owned educational establishments or privately owned ones recognized by the State. In general, the visa only allows students to study, i.e. it does not allow them to carry out other activities, particularly, work, and it is valid for a maximum of one year. It may be renewed until studies have been completed. Extensions are granted contingent on the continued existence of the conditions under which the visa was issued. Visa holders may change to another educational

establishment without requiring a new residence permit. Authorization must be requested 90 days prior to the expiration date of the pertinent visa.

Students intending to study at the Catholic University would be well advised to obtain their student visa at the pertinent Chilean Consulate in their country of origin. Within 30 days after arriving in Santiago students must register the visa with the Immigration Department (*Policía Internacional*).

When students do not obtain visas in their countries of origin and do so in another country and then enter Chile on a tourist visa, they must report to the Immigration Department (*Departamento de Extranjería y Migraciones*) within 30 days after arrival.

To obtain a scholarship and a student visa, a letter of acceptance in a doctoral program at the Pontifical Catholic University of Chile is required. No photocopies or electronic copies of the document are accepted. To process these applications, the original of the acceptance letter must be presented.

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**General information:**

learnchile.cl

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**Residence visa for students: Requirements & forms**  
[www.extranjeria.gob.cl/residencia-de-estudiante/formularios-y-requisitos/](http://www.extranjeria.gob.cl/residencia-de-estudiante/formularios-y-requisitos/)

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**Preparing for arrival at UC**

www.relacionesinternacionales.uc.cl/preparate-para-llegar-a-la-uc/visa

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**Identity card for  
Foreigners**

Once the visa has been processed, students must obtain an Identity Card for Foreigners at the Civil Registry & Identification Bureau (*Servicio de Registro Civil e Identificación*) within 30 days following the date on which the certificate of permanent residence was issued and/or stamped on the passport of the pertinent visa.

Students who exceed the 30 day time limit for requesting an Identity Card must obtain a special permit from the *Departamento de Extranjería y Migración, Ministerio del Interior* or from the *Intendencia Regional Metropolitana* after completing the pertinent procedure.

To process these requests students need a valid passport with the residence visa stamped on the passport and certification that they have registered with the registry of foreigners at *Policía Internacional*. Also needed is the payment voucher for the cost of the Identity Card, a photocopy of the passport pages proving the identity of the holder, the validity of the passport and the visa granted, the date of arrival in Chile (in the event of a consular visa) and the registration card for foreigners. The deadline for processing a first-time request for an Identity Card for foreigners by the *Servicio de Registro Civil e Identificación* is eight business days.

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Departamento de Extranjería y Migraciones

[www.extranjeria.gob.cl](http://www.extranjeria.gob.cl)

Call center: 600 486 3000

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Policía Internacional

[www.policia.cl/extranjeria/portada.htm](http://www.policia.cl/extranjeria/portada.htm)

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### **Servicio de Registro Civil e Identificación**

[www.registrocivil.cl/](http://www.registrocivil.cl/)

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Intendencia Región Metropolitana

[www.intendenciametropolitana.gov.cl](http://www.intendenciametropolitana.gov.cl)

8.4

#### **About Chile**

Natural beautiful scenery and interesting places to visit abound in Chile. Because of its varied geography, the settings vary considerably, from the Atacama Desert –the driest in the world—to snow covered mountains and a long shoreline that stretches down the entire country, among many other alternatives for touring. Chile is among the safest and most stable countries in Latin America.

Chile is the longest country in the world: 4,329 kilometers long, equal to one tenth of the earth's circumference. Including Chilean Antarctica, the country's length increases to 8,000 kilometers. Chile is also one of the narrowest countries in the world, with an average width of merely 180 kilometers. The narrowest point is only 90 kilometers wide, north of the mouth of the Choapa River.

The Andes Mountains are Chile's eastern border while the Pacific Ocean forms its western border from north to south. Given its length, the country is one of contrasts in terms of climate and geography. All types of climates can be found here: from the warmest weather in the north, to temperate weather in the center of the country, to very cold weather in the extreme south. According to the 2012 census, Chile has approximately 16,600,000 inhabitants. In addition to its insular territory, Chile has several islands including the famous Easter Island. Santiago is Chile's capital.

In administrative terms, Chile is divided into 15 regions. Spanish is the official language. The local currency is the Chilean peso. The telephone code is 56. The most populated cities are Santiago, Valparaíso and Concepción.

There are multiple tourist attractions and things to see and do in the different cities. The National Tourism Bureau ([www.sernatur.cl](http://www.sernatur.cl)), among others, provides information on tourist activities, news and other attractions.

#### 8.4.1

##### **Weather and seasons**

Apart from the extreme weather conditions of the Andes Mountains and the Atacama Desert, Chile generally has a comfortable temperate climate. Because of its geography and north to south length, it offers a considerable variety of climates:

- Desert climate in the north.
- Mediterranean in the center, as far as Concepción
- Temperate and rainy from Concepción to Punta Arenas
- Polar ice in Antarctica.

Because Chile is in the Southern Hemisphere, students arriving in August can expect moderate winter weather which changes quickly in spring. Officially, summer begins on December 21. Students arriving in March will enjoy the last days of summer and beginning of fall. Winter begins officially on June 21.

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Related Information: This is Chile:

[www.thisischile.cl](http://www.thisischile.cl)

Gobierno de Chile: [www.gob.cl](http://www.gob.cl)

Chile es Tuyo: [www.chileestuyo.cl](http://www.chileestuyo.cl)

Learn Chile: [learnchile.cl](http://learnchile.cl)

#### 8.4.2

##### **Government System**

Chile is a democratic republic. The President of the Republic is both head of state and head of government and remains in power for a four year period. The President remains in office for a period of four years.

Most Chileans are Roman Catholics (70%). Protestants (15%) are the second most important religion.

#### 8.4.3

##### **The Capital**

Santiago is located in the Metropolitan Region. It has over 6.6 million inhabitants and many interesting historic, tourist and recreational sites to visit. It is generally safe, although, like in any other large city, precautions must be taken. Santiago ranks as one of the 50 best cities in the world for studying (CQ, British consulting firm, November 2013), a fact that is encouraging a growing number of international students to come to Chile for their graduate studies.

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##### **Santiago Maps:**

[www.mapcity.cl](http://www.mapcity.cl)

[www.planos.cl](http://www.planos.cl)

[www.maps.google.com/](http://www.maps.google.com/)

#### 8.4.4

#### Transportation

##### **Transantiago**

This is Santiago's integrated public transport system consisting of inter-urban buses and the Metro (subway) connecting Santiago's districts and streets.

##### **Paying with the "bip!" Card**

A "bip!" card is needed to use public transport in Santiago, i.e. the Transantiago buses and the Metro. Cards can be purchased and then reloaded at any Metro station cash register or "Servipag" payment facilities, among others.

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##### **For further details see:**

Transantiago: [www.transantiago.cl](http://www.transantiago.cl)

Tarjeta Bip!: [www.tarjetabip.cl](http://www.tarjetabip.cl)

Servipag branches: [www.servipag.cl](http://www.servipag.cl)

##### **Santiago's Metro System**

Santiago's subway system has five lines: 1, 2, 4, 4A and 5. They offer combinations with the Transantiago buses. All the information needed to move around Santiago (such as maps, combinations between different lines, planning trips, timetables, etc.) can be found on the official web site.

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##### **Metro de Santiago**

[www.metro.cl](http://www.metro.cl)

Call Center: 600 600 9292

@metrodesantiago

##### **Bus Terminals**

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**Terminal de Buses Estación Central**

(formerly Terminal Santiago)

Alameda 3850,

Universidad de Santiago Metro Station

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Terminal San Borja (formerly Terminal Norte)

San Borja 235

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**Terrapuerto Los Héroes**

Tucapel Jimenez 21

La Moneda Metro Station

Comuna de Santiago

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**Terminal Alameda**

Alameda 3750

Universidad de Santiago Metro Station

Comuna de Estación Central

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**Terminal de Buses Pajaritos**

Avenida General Bonilla 5.600

Pajaritos Metro Station

Comuna de Pudahuel

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**Chile Buses**

[www.chilebuses.cl](http://www.chilebuses.cl)

8.4.5

**Payments and Services**

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**Currency**

The local currency is the Chilean peso. In addition to paying in cash, credit card payments are quite

common in the Chilean market. Currency exchange rates employed by credit card companies are quite convenient. Some small towns may only use cash so it is always convenient to have some cash on hand when travelling.

### **ATMs**

In commercial areas and banks, ATMs are easy to find (Redbanc), and also at gas stations, drugstores and shopping malls.

### **Foreign Currency Exchange Bureaus**

Pesos, the local currency is used mainly in transaction involving cash payments. Foreign currency, such as U.S. dollars or Euros may be accepted only in places dedicated to tourism.

Foreign currency exchange bureaus are found mainly in downtown Santiago, for example on Agustinas street. They are open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and on Saturday mornings. There are some near the Manuel Montt, Pedro de Valdivia and Los Leones metro stations. Some shopping malls also have foreign currency exchange bureaus. Changing currency through money changers on the street is not recommended. They usually stand around in downtown Santiago.

### **Bank hours**

Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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### **Shops and shopping malls**

Pedestrian areas in Santiago are lively and invite pleasant strolling and window shopping. They

include shops in neighborhoods along Alonso de Córdova in Vitacura, the “Barrio Italia” in the municipality of Providencia, the area around the Museo de Bellas Artes in downtown Santiago and the Bellavista area straddling the municipalities of Providencia and Recoleta. Bellavista has many restaurants, in addition to cultural attractions such as one of Pablo Neruda’s homes known as “La Chascona”. Although shops in different Santiago areas are open Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. (11:00 a.m. in some cases) to 8:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., shopping malls are open Monday through Sunday up to 9:00 p.m.

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**Main shopping malls:**

*Mall Plaza* shopping malls are distributed throughout the capital:

[www.mallplaza.cl](http://www.mallplaza.cl)

**Parque Arauco:** Avda. Kennedy 5413, Las Condes,

[www.parquearauco.cl](http://www.parquearauco.cl)

**Alto Las Condes:** Avda. Kennedy 9001, Las Condes,

[www.altolascondes.cl](http://www.altolascondes.cl)

**Apumanque:** Avda. Manquehue Sur 31, Las Condes,

[www.apumanque.cl](http://www.apumanque.cl)

**Costanera Center:** Avda. Andrés Bello 2425,

Providencia, [www.costaneracenter.cl](http://www.costaneracenter.cl)

All prices shown in the stores include all applicable taxes.

#### 8.4.6

##### **Housing**

UC has no student residences, and it is not in a position to solve housing issues for international students. Furthermore, it cannot guarantee or take responsibility for any services provided by people who offer lodging. Nevertheless, UC has information about some options that students may contact directly to ask for information:

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##### **Living with a Chilean family**

[contacto@homestaychile.cl](mailto:contacto@homestaychile.cl)

[www.homestaychile.cl](http://www.homestaychile.cl)

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##### **Agencies**

###### **Homechile**

[info@homechile.cl](mailto:info@homechile.cl)

[www.homechile.cl](http://www.homechile.cl)

###### **Nexochile**

[nexochile@gmail.com](mailto:nexochile@gmail.com)

[www.nexochile.com](http://www.nexochile.com)

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##### **Furnished apartments**

[www.melablu.cl](http://www.melablu.cl)

[www.vidabellavista.cl](http://www.vidabellavista.cl)

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##### **Sharing an Apartment**

[www.compartodepto.cl](http://www.compartodepto.cl)

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Students who want a more permanent arrangement and need to lease an apartment will find rentals in

the local newspapers. The most frequently resorted to is the “*Avisos Económicos*” section published by *El Mercurio* newspaper (updated every Sunday). Rentals can also be found on [www.airbnb.com](http://www.airbnb.com)

When signing a rental agreement and to avoid conflicts and misunderstandings, make sure you are aware of the general and specific terms and conditions of the agreement, the mandatory time periods and the dates and values on which the rental cost will be adjusted. Make sure that the agreement is signed in the presence of a Notary Public and do not accept agreements based on a printed form.

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All information on housing is found in:

**[relacionesinternacionales.uc.cl](http://relacionesinternacionales.uc.cl)**

Section on “**alumnos internacionales**”

[www.propiedades.emol.com](http://www.propiedades.emol.com)

[www.airbnb.com](http://www.airbnb.com)

[www.couchsurfing.org](http://www.couchsurfing.org)

#### **8.4.7**

##### **Entertainment and Culture**

Chile has a lot to offer in terms of cultural diversity. Different activities are carried out throughout the country and there are many interesting places to visit.

Folk festivals, theater, film and song festivals and adventure tourism are some of the multiple activities available to visitors.

Outside Santiago, people can attend folk festivals on the island of Chiloé down south, and the grape

harvest in central Chile, in cities such as Curicó and Santa Cruz.

Nationally and internationally, the best known song festival is the *Festival de la Canción de Viña del Mar*, which takes place in February. In January of each year there is a major theater festival called *Santiago a Mil*. Most of the plays are shown in Santiago, but every year new cities are added to the venues. The *Santiago a Mil* theater festival is where great Chilean and international theater companies show their plays – some in the open air, others in plazas or municipal gyms for the public to watch free of charge.

### **Places to visit in Santiago**

Santiago has many interesting attractions, such as parks, museums, art galleries, palaces, monuments, etc. Some old-time buildings can still be found in downtown Santiago. The city's colonial outlay is easy to distinguish at the Plaza de Armas, where the Cathedral is located, as are the National Historic Museum, the main post office (*Correos de Chile*) and the Municipality of Santiago.

The Fine Arts Museum (*Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes*), the National Library (*Biblioteca Nacional*), the *Casa Colorada Museum*, the Pre-Columbian Art Museum (*Museo de Arte Precolombino*), the *Teatro Municipal* (main venue for top-level cultural events) and the *Palacio de La Moneda* (Presidential Palace) where the executive branch is housed, are also downtown.

Fresh fish and shellfish can be had at the *Mercado Central* (Central Market). Another attraction is to

visit the ski resorts near Santiago, which have very good infrastructure.

### **Artistic and Cultural Performances**

Multiple artistic and cultural performances are available in Santiago. They range from free shows to the most sophisticated national and international performances. Santiago offers multiple classical music concerts and performances by well-known national and international artists in theater, ballet, opera, film and other types of entertainment. Cultural centers, in different city districts, are worth a visit. Among others, the most important ones are the *Centro Cultural Palacio de La Moneda* and the *Centro Cultural Gabriela Mistral (GAM)*, both in the downtown area.

Interesting links

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**“Santiago y Cultura”**,  
Municipalidad de Santiago  
[www.santiagocultura.cl/](http://www.santiagocultura.cl/)

Where to go and what to see  
[chile.travel./index.php](http://chile.travel./index.php)

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### **Cultural Centers in Santiago & Chile**

[www.amarillas.cl](http://www.amarillas.cl)

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### **Free recreational activities**

[www.panoramasgratis.cl](http://www.panoramasgratis.cl)

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### **Shows**

[www.wiken.emol.cl](http://www.wiken.emol.cl)

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### **Centro Cultural Gabriela Mistral**

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[www.gam.cl](http://www.gam.cl)

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### **Centro Cultural Palacio La Moneda**

[www.ccplm.cl](http://www.ccplm.cl)

## 8.5

### Practical information

#### 8.5.1

##### **Our idiosyncrasies**

In Chile, once you know someone, it is customary to greet the other person with a kiss on the cheek, sometimes even when you are meeting the person for the first time. This custom applies to greetings between two women and also between a man and a woman. Men, on the other hand, shake hands, both in personal and in business circumstances.

Lunch time is generally between 1:00 and 2:00 p.m. or even between 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. Dinner is much later than in other countries, around 9:00 p.m. Tea-time (*la once*) is a mid-afternoon repast consisting of a cup of tea or coffee and a sandwich, taken around 6:00 p.m.

#### 8.5.2

##### **Drinking water**

Although tap water in Santiago is completely safe for drinking, foreigners should take bottled water at first given that the high mineral contents in the water might upset their stomachs.

#### 8.5.3

##### **Raw food**

Raw shellfish and poorly washed vegetables should be avoided, particularly vegetables that grow close to the soil (lettuce, carrots, cabbage, strawberries, etc.) unless purchased from a reputed supermarket, where the source of products is usually monitored

carefully. Well-known restaurants also offer this guarantee.

#### 8.5.4

##### **Driving**

The minimum legal driving age is 18 years old. In Santiago, vehicles are required to have a TAG, a device that enables highways under private concession to automatically charge a toll for using city highways.

“Zero Tolerance” is in force in Chile with regard to driving under the influence of alcohol. A person is deemed to be DUI when his/her blood alcohol level is between 0.31 and 0.79 milligrams of alcohol per liter of blood. The law establishes that a person is driving drunk when his/her blood alcohol level hits 0.8 milligrams or more. Therefore, the best advice is: don't drink and drive.

The main access routes to Santiago are:

- When coming into Santiago from the north, take *Ruta 5 Norte* that crosses Santiago from north to south.
- If you are travelling from Argentina, you must take *Ruta 57 Internacional* that brings you into Santiago.
- When travelling from southern Chile, you will be on *Ruta 5 Sur* that crosses the city from south to north and joins up with *Ruta 5 Norte*.
- If you are travelling from the seashore, there are two alternatives: the route between Quintero, Viña del Mar, Valparaíso and Algarrobo that reaches Santiago via *Ruta 68*; or the route that

comes via the section that runs from El Tabo and Santo Domingo which reaches Santiago via the *Autopista del Sol*.

#### 8.5.5

##### **Holidays**

There is a long list of official holidays in Chile, including: Independence Day, *Día de las Glorias del Ejército* (Army Day), *Día de las Glorias Navales* (Navy Day), Labor Day and religious holidays, among others. Some are “mandatory and unwaivable”. The rule applies to shop attendants, with the exception of individuals who work for clubs, restaurants and entertainment facilities. People who work at gas stations, night pharmacies and duty pharmacies observing shifts determined by the health authorities are exempt from this restriction, as are establishments run by their owners and direct family members.

The Catholic University has its own holidays during the year which vary from year to year. Information is available on the UC web page.

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See: [www.feriados.cl](http://www.feriados.cl)

#### 8.5.6

##### **Local cuisine**

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Chilean cuisine is marked by the variety and quality of its fish and seafood. Together with its award-winning wines of world renown it offers examples of local and international gastronomy. Typical Chilean

food varies from region to region because of the climate, traditions and culture. There are several traditional dishes to be enjoyed such as the “*empanada de pino*”, “*mote con huesillo*”, “*pastel de choclo*”, among many others dishes that are typical of Chile.

If you wish to eat in a simple and popular setting, at a convenient price, go to a “*picada*”. All cities have at least more than one. These small restaurants are usually located outside the well-known tourist cuisine circuits. They are run by their owners who prepare the food themselves, and the prices are very convenient.

Leaving a 10% tip is customary since tips are not included in the bill in Chile.

### 8.5.7

#### **Chilean Idioms**

Chileans are generally friendly and cordial. Perhaps the most difficult thing for foreigners is that Chileans talk very fast and use a lot of idioms (“*chilenismos*”), which are not found in dictionaries.

#### **A few examples:**

Al lote: disorganized, relaxed.

Al tiro: immediately, at once.

Apestado: angry, upset

A pata: On foot, walking.

Achuntar: get it right, get to the point.

Arrugar: back down, desist, give up.

Bacán: spectacular, great.

Cachar: look at something and see it. Also, to understand.

Carrete: program, go out and enjoy yourself.

Chanta: phony, fraud.

Empelotado: angry, upset, fed-up.

Cabra(o): girl/boy.

Cabreado: bored, tired.

Choreado: hopping mad, very upset.

Embarrarla: mess something up, ruin something.

“La papa”: the best, a good tip, a good offer.

Lata: boring, unmotivating.

Latoso or latero: someone who bores others.

Lenteja: someone who is slow & calm.

Lesear: to bother someone, have fun, fool about.

Luca: one thousand pesos.

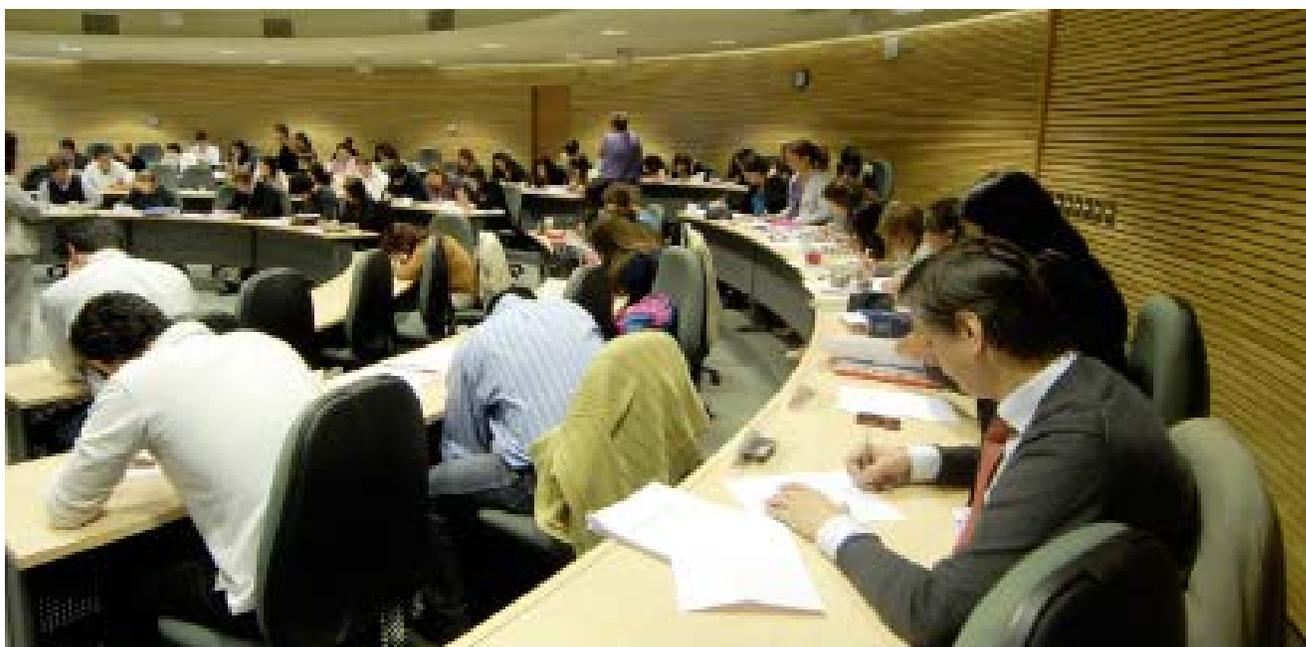
Lolo – lola: girl/boy.

Guata: belly, stomach.

Hinchar: to bother, insist.

Huaso: Chilean peasant. People who are a bit shy.

Inflar (a alguien): pay attention to someone.  
“Irse al chancho”: to exceed acceptable limits, to abuse, to go all out.  
Jaleo: disorder, confusion.  
Piola: go unnoticed.  
Tiene pituto: someone who has good contacts and gets things through them.  
Polola (o): exclusive boyfriend or girlfriend, no commitment to marry.  
Manso: huge, immense.  
Marraqueta: type of bread.  
Mina: attractive woman.  
“Ni ahí”: I don’t care.  
Taquillero: fashionable, “in”, “top-notch”.  
Tata: grandfather.  
Tener tuto: to be sleepy.  
Tóxico: something bad, unpleasant, awful. Also applies to someone who is bad tempered and disagreeable.  
Hacer una vaca: collect money in a group for a specific purpose like having fun.  
Viejito pascuero: Santa Claus.  
Volado: dazed, unaware, forgetful. Also used when someone is under the effects of a drug.  
Yunta: best friend, pal.



Chapter 9

# Emergency Data

## 9.1

### Emergency numbers

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<http://chile.embassy.gov.au/>

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[www.guatemala.cl](http://www.guatemala.cl)

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#### **Directorate of International Affairs (DRI)**

[www.relacionesinternacionales.uc.cl](http://www.relacionesinternacionales.uc.cl)

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#### **Research Vice-Presidency (VRI)**

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**Cultural Outreach (Extensión UC)**

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**UC Student Health**

<http://saludestudiantil.uc.cl/>

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<http://tarjeta.uc.cl/>

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<http://informatica.uc.cl/>

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**Sports**

<http://deportes.uc.cl/>

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**Salas Crisol**

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Housing

<http://relacionesinternacionales.uc.cl/alumnos-internacionales/bienvenido-a-la-uc/alojamiento>

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