

FACT SHEET - INCOMING STUDENTS

SEMESTER START DATES

Classes for our first semester begin in March. However, **non-Spanish speaking students** are required to arrive on the third week of February to participate in mandatory Spanish classes

Classes for our second semester begin in August. However, **non-Spanish speaking students** are required to arrive on the third week of July to participate in mandatory Spanish classes

SPANISH COURSE (NON-SPANISH SPEAKING STUDENTS)	INTERNACIONAL WELCOME WEEK (BOTH SPANISH AND NON-SPANISH SPEAKING STUDENTS)	START OF THE SEMESTER
1st semester: Third and fourth week of February -- 2nd semester: Third and fourth week of July	1st semester: Fourth week of February -- 2nd semester: Fourth week of July	1st semester: First week of March 2nd semester: First week of August

APPLICATION

Should your university not have transmitted your application to us, we are providing **two essential documents** to enable you to autonomously commence the application process. The initial document is an '[admission form](#)', necessitating completion with your personal details, which you are kindly requested to return to our office. The second document, designated '[exchange information](#)', meticulously details all the requisite documentation essential for facilitating your mobility.

For those intending to enroll in the semester spanning **February to July 2025**, the deadline for the submission of all pertinent documentation is **November 15, 2024**. For those intending to enroll in the semester spanning **July to December 2025**, the deadline for the submission of all pertinent documentation is **June 15, 2025**. Kindly ensure the timely dispatch of your complete set of documents to the specified email address.

The '**Information for Exchange**' section specifies the following required documents:

- Admission form (attached)
- Official certificate of approved subjects (Transcript of grades)
- Curriculum vitae
- Motivation Letter
- Passport photo
- Accident disability insurance with international coverage
- B2 Spanish level certificate (from a language center, professor, etc.)
- Psychophysical aptitude certificate

The study plans must be accessed within each career through the following link: <https://www.agro.uba.ar/carreras/> . There, you will find all the subjects for each career. The programs for each subject, including the PDFs with their contents, can be found here: <http://ri.agro.uba.ar/greenstone3/library/collection/programas/browse/CL1;jsessionid=74BF77DCA8BD2E02BA049CA33EEA308E> .

How much are our credits worth?

Each FAUBA credit corresponds to **16 hours of in-person classes**. It's important to note that our credits exclusively cover face-to-face instruction and do not encompass additional study hours. Additionally, it's crucial to recognize that FAUBA credits are distinct from ECTS credits

Where can they find the credits for each subject?

The numerical value **enclosed in parentheses at the end of each subject's name** indicates the corresponding number of FAUBA credit

What subjects can you take?

You have the flexibility to choose any subject from any career, provided you have completed the necessary prerequisite subjects. This selection depends on your prior knowledge. **Concurrent enrollment in subjects from different careers is allowed**. We don't impose a minimum or maximum requirement for the number of subjects; however, we recommend taking between 3 to 5 subjects per semester.

Consider the subjects offered during your exchange at FAUBA, organized by semesters: the 1st (from March to June) and the 2nd (from August to November). They are also categorized by two-month periods: the 1st (from March to April), the 2nd (from May to June), the 3rd (from August to September), and the 4th (from October to November). **For instance, if you join in the first semester, you can only enroll in subjects from the 1st semester and the 1st and 2nd semester.**

Subjects may have a quarterly duration (lasting 4 months) or a bimonthly duration (two months). If a subject does not specify whether it is bimonthly or quarterly, it is typically quarterly.

IMPORTANT: Once you have submitted all the documentation outlined in the 'exchange information' file, we will send you your **acceptance letter**.

When the academic calendar is finalized, it will be accessible through the following link: <https://www.agro.uba.ar/alumnos/calendario>. Irrespective of this, the inaugural semester (semester A) typically commences in early March and concludes in July. Final examinations are conventionally conducted in July, **necessitating the physical presence of students in Argentina**. The subsequent semester (semester B) ordinarily commences in August, concluding at the conclusion of November, with final examinations typically taking place in December.

STUDY VISA

It is mandatory to obtain a study visa (transitional residence) to study at FAUBA. **This must be sent before your arrival in Buenos Aires**. The procedure is conducted online from your home country, and our office will provide you with the instructions once you have been accepted.

TRANSITIONAL RESIDENCE: *This category applies to individuals engaging in educational activities, academic pursuits, cultural exchanges, student or volunteer programs, training practices, and those with scholarships from officially recognized Public or Private National Educational Organizations or entities. It also includes participants in any other activity related to the acquisition of knowledge (lasting more than two days and up to one year).*

COURSES

The determination of courses occurs a few weeks prior to the commencement of studies at FAUBA. The **comprehensive academic offering, inclusive of subjects and their corresponding schedules, is typically available one month before the commencement of each semester.**

In any event, **for visa processing, it is imperative that you submit your Learning Agreement**, a study contract delineating the courses you intend to pursue at FAUBA. This agreement necessitates signatures from both our institution and your coordinating authority. Accordingly, you may finalize this document by cross-referencing the subjects outlined in the degree study plans, with an indication of **'to be confirmed'** next to each subject. If your home university does not have its own template, you can request one from

Learning Example Agreement :

Chosen courses	Number of credits
Environmental Microbiology (to be confirmed)	N amount of local credits (4 FAUBA credits)
Political Economy (to be confirmed)	N amount of local credits (4 FAUBA credits)

Moreover, please explicitly state that these credits are exclusive to FAUBA. This clarification ensures our administrative office can endorse the agreement on your behalf, facilitating its submission as part of the visa application process.

As an example, in the 3rd year, second semester of the Agronomy degree curriculum, the following is indicated:

Second term
Plant production (3)
*Physiology of Higher Plants
*Systematic Botany
*Climatology and Agrometeorology

This implies that, to pursue Plant Production, you should have successfully completed (at your home university) subjects with content akin to 'Physiology of Higher Plants,' 'Systematic Botany,' and 'Climatology and Agrometeorology.' In the study plans for each career, subjects are categorized by semester, and correlative ones are indicated with an asterisk (*)

IMPORTANT DATES

A few days before classes commence, we will host welcome meetings (International Week) to acquaint you with the Faculty, guide you through essential procedures, and address any queries you might have. Attendance is compulsory for all international students, regardless of their proficiency in Spanish. **Estimated start date for these activities:** Fourth week of February (1st semester) / Fourth week of July (2nd semester)

If Spanish is not your primary language, attendance at the mandatory Spanish course, held two weeks before classes commence, is required. **Estimated course start date:** Third week of February (1st semester)/ Third week of July (2nd semester)

Estimated start date for classes: First week of March (1st semester) / First week of August (2nd semester)

OTHER IMPORTANT ISSUES

Throughout the semester, we will organize **mandatory cultural and recreational activities for the entire group of exchange students.**

Both accommodation and meals are your responsibility.

To navigate Buenos Aires, you will need the **SUBE** card for public transportation. Additionally, a SIM card for your cell phone (to enable mobile data) is necessary. The 'Study BA' organization, in collaboration with our city government, provides these resources free of charge. However, **you need to request them through the following and pick them up at the designated pickup point:**

<https://study.buenosaires.gob.ar/es/welcomekit> .