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UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

Every year UNESP provides to the labor market about 6,000 new professionals from the 169 undergraduate programs available in the institutes of the university. Spread throughout 23 cities of the state of São Paulo, this vast knowledge complex brings together 52 programs in Exact, 72 in Human and 45 in Biological sciences. Altogether, the university offers 64 higher education professions.

Established as a statutory and true citizenship commitment, UNESP offers to its 36,000 undergraduate students important opportunities for intellectual and professional improvement. Each year about 6,000 students have the opportunity to engage in various community projects focused on services to the communities where they are inserted. Federal and state agencies offer the possibility of developing undergraduate guided research through specific grants. The teaching applicants may work in Education Centers where, with support from their professors, begin to practice the lessons they learn in classrooms. UNESP also offers rental assistance, as well as housing for about 1,700 of its students. There are 3,400 academic staff – 97% with PhD, and 90% full time – to ensure the solid professional training of the students. Its Center of Pedagogical Studies and Practices is a real talent mill for continuous training of UNESP teachers. In addition, a continuous upgrading and improvement program is rigorously maintained to ensure the perfect fit of the university infrastructure to the most advanced developments of modern pedagogy.

Biology, Ecology, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Literature, History, Geography, Social Sciences, Philosophy and Education are programs that lead their undergraduate students to activities related to scientific and technological research, besides providing professional opportunities in the industrial and services sectors. In the case of the corresponding bachelor’s degree, the undergraduate students become qualified to teach in the networks of high and elementary schools.

Specialties in the Engineering segment, such as Environmental, Biotechnological, Civil, Control and Automation, Electrical, Materials, Mechanical and Production enable the undergraduate students to work primarily in the areas of technology and services related to the strong demand of professionals that economic development of Brazil has required.

Field activities, besides the actual agribusiness, are sectors that represent a great impact on the Brazilian economy and keep the doors open for those who chose the programs in Agriculture, Forest Engineering, Wood Engineering, Animal Science and Veterinary Medicine of UNESP.

Programs focused in the Health area, that contribute to health care and welfare of the population, such as Nursing, Physical Education, Pharmacy, Speech Therapy, Medicine, Nutrition, Dentistry, Psychology and Occupational Therapy are constantly sought by many youngsters interested in professional training in these important specialties.

To complete its mission in the area of the Brazilian university education, UNESP is also concerned with the training of qualified professionals in the so-called “humanities” areas, such as Arts, Architecture, Design, Administration, Economics, Law and Public Relations.

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INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

EXCHANGE PROGRAMS
There are about 270 international cooperation agreements maintained by UNESP with institutions from 41 countries. These agreements strengthen relations between universities from different parts of the world. Students at UNESP receive support, information and assistance through the International Relations Office of the university. The assistance is also provided by tutors on each campus, where information about their stay in Brazil, housing and required documents is provided.

HOUSING AND UNIVERSITY LIFE
UNESP’s campuses are excellent places to test the vaunted friendliness of Brazilian people towards their visitors. As students may check, our campuses are friendly and supportive environments. The exchange students may live in our university dorms or in republicas (rented houses with shared expenses). Most Brazilian students prefer to live in republicas, an option that we suggest to our exchange students to better integration, but eventually it is their own choice. Cultural and sporting activities are offered to newcomers. The campuses have sports facilities, restaurants, computer rooms, research labs and libraries.

LANGUAGE AND PROGRAMS
The undergraduate programs are taught in Portuguese. Some internship programs may be taught in English. The foreign students must have knowledge of Portuguese or Spanish. Courses of portuguese as a foreign language are offered in our campuses.

APPLICATION
The department responsible for international relations at the home institution of students interested in our exchange programs should submit the transcripts of students and application form, duly completed and signed to the International Relations Office of UNESP within the stipulated time (see below).

For more information and acquisition of the application form, please visit our website: http://www.unesp.br/international-students

DATES AND APPLICATION DEADLINES

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TESTIMONIALS

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Xosé Maria Cid Guede, Agronomy student from the University of Santiago de Compostela, Spain.

▶ I am very satisfied with my exchange program. It is a very enriching experience at both the professional and personal levels. To find out about another culture really helped me to develop my teaching and communication skills. It is an experience that will enable that I develop my career and my general life.
Pierre Soudais, Civil Engineering student from the Institut National des Sciences Appliquées deToulouse, INSA-Toulouse, France.

▶ Although Brazil and Argentina are neighbor countries, it was through the exchange program that I could know the differences between the two countries such as the food, language and richness of the Brazilian culture. I stayed in a small town with students from different places and they were friendly.
Ricardo Casanova, Architecture student from Universidad Nacional del Litoral, Argentina.
UNESP is involved in the movement by publishing books, book chapters and articles in qualified scientific publications and also by the registration of patents. The university contributes to build high quality Brazilian science, responding for 8% of the Brazilians scientific publications. Therefore, UNESP is recognized internationally through its position in the most important research rankings.

The insertion of UNESP in this scene takes place through various research groups of high national and international expertise in areas such as:

- **Bioenergy**
  Research on biomass and bioenergy production, production and analysis of biofuels, automotive engine applications, economics, social and environmental impacts of biofuels.

- **Alternative and Renewable Energy**
  Technological innovation for alternative energies: research and technological development related to energy storage by using smart materials, automation and control of power systems, efficiency in energy use, smart electric power systems, sequestration of greenhouse gases, conversion systems and power generation, with special attention to those that demonstrate greater environmental sustainability.

- **Public Policies**
  Analysis, strategies and evaluation of public policies on education, health, safety, environmental protection and sustainability.

- **Nanotechnology**
  Research on nanomaterials applied to the petrochemical industry, ceramics, cementitious materials, semiconductor materials, health and environment.

- **Bioenergy**
  Research on the design, manufacture and evaluation of old and new medical devices.

- **Material Science**
  Research on catalysis, thin films, nanotechnology, theoretical chemistry, synthesis of inorganic materials, voltage-dependant resistors, luminescent materials, ceramic pigments, sensor materials, refractory materials, ferroelectric materials, magnetic materials, multiferroics materials and materials for green energy.

- **Agribusiness and Food Security**
  Research on pesticides, food contamination, integrated waste management of food production, functional food processing, production of animal origin food, production of grains, fruit and vegetables, and water resources.

- **Environment and Climate Changes**
  Research on climate changes and analysis of the effects on ecosystems, agriculture, health, environment and economy.

- **Pre-Clinical and Clinical Studies**
  Research on pre-clinical and clinical assays and the pharmacological and pharmacodynamic effects.

- **Ocean Science**
  Scientific research in marine geology, oceanography, natural resource management, environment and fishery resources.

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Having as one of its major goals the training of professionals capable of generating scientific, technological, artistic and socio-cultural knowledge and development in all fields, UNESP is currently an international benchmark in education, training and qualification of graduate students. This success is evidenced by national and international assessments and also by about 15,000 students studying in over 213 graduate programs offered by the institution.

To further qualify their Graduate Studies, the university develops a strategic plan. Expanding and strengthening the internal, national and international exchange of professors and graduate students is the first step. Articulating activities among the graduate studies programs and the undergraduate programs is another important step. Stimulating the implementation of thematic curriculum structures that enable the training of professionals to work in multi-disciplinary strategic areas is also part of this plan, as well as the development of double-degree and joint programs with partner institutions.

UNESP programs have a strong influence on the professional life of students and in the number of Graduate diplomas granted in the country. UNESP is among the five top universities in number of PhDs (800 per year) awarded in the Americas.

The Biological Sciences programs of UNESP stand out in the areas of Agriculture, Animal Science, Pharmacy, Biosciences, Biotechnology, Dentistry and Medicine. Our students are trained to work in agriculture, agribusiness and various health sectors.

In the Exact Sciences area, Chemistry and Theoretical Physics stand out as two of the best programs in Brazil in applied and basic research. The research developed produces remarkable and effective knowledge in technology, engineering, new medicines and materials.

In the Humanity area, UNESP develops programs of great importance in Brazil, especially in Portuguese Language, Education, Linguistics, Literary Studies, Geography and History. In addition, it has played a major role in formulating and implementing public policies to improve the education system in the country.

These programs allow the University to respond effectively and highly qualify to the new demands and needs of the labor market for human resource training in the Brazilian and Latin America universities, public administration and business.

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Brazil

Nearly 200 million people, representing the result of one of the most peaceful and successful migratory streams in terms of formation of ethnicities in the world, spread in 8.5 million square kilometers. Brazil is a privileged country.

The extensive Atlantic coast, with cinematographic beaches, lapped by calm and safe waters, contrasts with mineral-rich mountains which crumble into generous plains and plateaus that, through the response of abundant harvests of inputs from different categories, are offered to the world during all seasons of the year. Brazil, with its rain forests, is fifth in the concert of nations, both in territorial area and population.

Going through a special moment in its history of economic, institutional and social development Brazil is the second economy in the Americas, only behind the United States and positioned among the six largest world economies.

The Brazilian economy is established in a rich and competitive market. The discoveries made in the Pre-Salt layer raised the country to a new oil reserve and production level, to a position of prominence in the world. Agriculture, mining, manufacturing (automobiles, aircrafts, electrical and electronic equipment, textile/apparel, etc.), large sized trade and product distribution networks, in addition to the services sector, provide excellent growth opportunities for entrepreneurs, as well as for trained and enthusiastic professionals.

Students choosing Brazilian universities to develop their academic education will find undergraduate and graduate level excellence centers, besides relevant areas to develop globally recognized researches and community centers of major relevance. Above all, these students will be able to enjoy the decanted courtesy of Brazilian people to their visitors, the natural ability to make friends and the opportunity to become partners in the journey of transforming Brazil, in the next ten years, into one of the top five economies on the planet.

Climate

Located in the southern hemisphere, Brazil has the beginning of its most important seasons of the year – summer and winter – in the months of December and June, respectively. The average temperature, during the year, in southern states ranges at about 20° C. In the north region, it is about 28° C.
STATE OF SÃO PAULO

The economy of the state of São Paulo is the most developed and powerful in Brazil, recording 33.9% of the total Brazilian GDP. There are 645 cities, distributed in almost 250 thousand square kilometers – area slightly larger than the United Kingdom – where there are over 41 million inhabitants. The region around its state capital, the city of São Paulo, is considered the sixth largest urban agglomeration in the world, comprising about 20 million inhabitants. Its population is the most diverse of the country. Initially dominated by the Portuguese discoverers, São Paulo received people from Africa, retained the Amerindians and from the mid-1800 received Italian, Arab, Japanese, Spanish, German, Jew and more recently, Korean and Chinese immigrants. Thus, it became a cosmopolitanism model: in the capital of the state of São Paulo, immigrants and their descendants live and work in complete harmony.

Being the most developed state in Brazil, São Paulo is the main center of the Mercosur economy. The major national and multinational economic groups concerning industrial companies, farming and services are installed in modern buildings that represent the advanced Brazilian architecture in one of the fastest growing cities in the world. The state also concentrates the most important portion of the ethanol fuel industry in the country.

Considered the most dynamic of the Latin American capital cities, São Paulo is an economic center of global importance, a cultural center of rare distinction, owning an intense and generous academic life, besides offering enjoyment, leisure and entertainment to its inhabitants, and thousands of visitors throughout the year, comparable to the most famous capitals of the world.
UNIVERSITY PUBLISHING HOUSE

The development of universal science and culture is the focus of Editora UNESP that, aiming to socialize knowledge, publishes the best of the national and international intellectual production. Based on its open policy, Editora UNESP seeks to fill publishing gaps releasing works that, previously, were restricted only to university libraries.

Its catalog counts on 1,500 titles – many of them are already awarded – whose main characteristic is the total independence of the publishing content of the works. Regarded as a reference in the book sector in Brazil, Editora UNESP presents the titles diversity, the quality of the issues, and the selected option of authors as positive distinctions.

Editora UNESP also works in the bookstores sector. Seeking to encourage the affection to the traditions of the capital of the state of São Paulo, in 2007, the Editora opened a cultural space downtown, occupying exactly the building where, in 1927, writer Monteiro Lobato had installed his publishing house. The cultural space is incorporated into the official revitalization project of the city center. A school for publishers was created at the center, where basic courses are taught for professionals of the book market, directors, bookstore owners and sellers of the industry.

TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION AGENCY – AUIN

Seeking to give intellectual protection to the work of researchers and the development of technology transfer to the private sector, in 2009 AUIN was created from the Center of Technological Innovation (NIT). With the creation of AUIN, NIT has increased its skills to improve the intellectual property management policy of UNESP.

AUIN coordinates the registration, protection and licensing of patents for innovations in technology. It also supports the creation of technology parks and company incubators, and also promotes public policies for intellectual property and technology transfer.

The agency also monitors the procedures, acquisition and maintenance of the intellectual property of the university and the negotiations between UNESP and the private sector.
COMMUNITY PROJECTS

UNESP, by specially developed programs, seeks to integrate education and research. The university believes that the perfect harmony between students and the community oriented projects in which they work may consolidate the values of education and research, by enhancing citizen duties. The result is a deeper immersion into the reality and needs of the regions where UNESP is present. The benefits of such projects produce practical and positive results for the cities where they are developed. Another important aspect in projects of this nature is the close cooperation that is developed between teachers and students involved, always creating enriching experiences for both curriculums.

Searching for spaces focused on the sociability and artistic production, while seeking to consolidate citizenship values, UNESP develops community projects in several practice fields, such as:

- **Communication**: production and distribution of didactic material in all levels of education.
- **Culture**: preservation of historical memory and heritage through artistic, graphic, photographic, cinematographic and musical productions.
- **Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine**: development of rural projects, forestry management, processing of agricultural products, livestock, food and animal nutrition.
- **Education**: training and qualification of human resources, promoting not only distance education and continuing education, but also the elementary and special education.
- **Environment**: actions to promote sustainable and regional development, management of natural resources and the various aspects of urban and rural development.
- **Health**: actions for preventing diseases and improving quality of life. Development of health systems, hospitals, clinics and regulatory standards for safety at work.
- **Human Resources**: qualification and training of human resources in various areas, in order to improve the quality of work and facilitate entry into the labor market.
- **Built spaces**: preservation of the urban environment, urban landscape and buildings. Development projects in the areas of thermal, acoustic and environmental comfort.
- **Politics and economy**: contributions to economic planning, social development, social economy and the public sector.
- **Human Rights**: social assistance, legal assistance, development of public policies for human rights and citizenship education.
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