UNIVERSIDAD TORCUATO DI TELLA (UTDT)
INFORMATION SHEET

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http://www.utdt.edu//ver_contenido.php?id_contenido=1349&id_item_menu=2528
(information for international students)

Undergraduate Majors: Business Administration, Economics, History, International Relations, Law, Architecture and Political Science.

Application Process: Students from partner schools <u>must be nominated</u> by their home institutions. They will also need to complete the application and course preference forms found on our website and send them to UTDT with the other required documents.
We ask that you please do not advise students of their nomination to UTDT until you have received confirmation from us regarding how many exchange places we can offer your university for that semester. Application materials can be downloaded from our webpage: http://www.utdt.edu/ver_contenido.php?id_contenido=1392&id_item_menu=2537

Nomination Deadlines:
First semester (March-July) or full year (March-December):
Deadline to confirm number of exchange spots: **August 15**
Application deadline: November 1

Second semester (August-December)
Deadline to confirm number of exchange spots: **January 31**
Application deadline: April 15

Language of

Instruction:	**Spanish.** UTDT recommends a high level of Spanish language proficiency. We recommend that students have completed at least 2 years of college level Spanish.		

Language courses: UTDT offers an intensive Spanish course to all students who participate in the Exchange Program. This course is designed for intermediate to advanced level Spanish speakers who would like to refine their reading, listening, and speaking skills so they achieve a full and active insertion in Argentine academia and life. It is takes place for 3 weeks prior to the start of classes each semester and requires a modest fee. It meets daily from 14.00 to 18.00 (60 hours total). Those students who are present for all three weeks and who complete the required assignments will receive academic credit for the class on their official UTDT transcript.

UTDT has a partnership with ALTA language institute for students interested in additional language training. Please consult.

Full-time Workload: 3 courses per semester (each course is 68 hours contact time).

Grading System: UTDT does not work with ECTS credits. Instead, students are graded according to the following alpha-numeric system:

A	Outstanding	10	Ten
A-	Outstanding minus	9	Nine
B+	Very Good Plus	8	Eight
B	Very Good	7	Seven
B-	Very Good minus	6	Six
C+	Good plus	5	Five
C	Good	4	Four
D	Insufficient	2	Two
F	Failed	1	One

The lowest grade to approve a course is C (Satisfactory). The grades D (Unsatisfactory) and F (Failed) indicate that a student did not pass a course.

Transcripts: Two copies of the students' transcripts are sent over to the home university – one for the university and one for the student– within 6-8 weeks after the end of the exchange term.

Learning Expectations: Class size ranges from 10 to 45 students. Format varies, there are often group projects. Class participation and attendance are important. Students are expected to complete all course-related assignments and to sit exams in order to receive a course grade.
No resit exams are available.

Examinations: Schedule: Examinations take place for exchange students during the last weeks of the semester. The dates are informed with a month of anticipation and students are not allowed to change them. The policy of Universidad Torcuato Di Tella is that no exams will be faxed.

Cost of Program: There is no tuition fee for exchange students from partner institutions.

Scholarships: No scholarships are available for incoming exchange students.

Course Descriptions: A brief description of the course's content is available in our "Course Description Booklet" which can be downloaded from our website: http://www.utdt.edu/ver_contenido.php?id_contenido=1394&id_item_menu=2543

A complete course outline will be handed to each student by the professor the first day of classes. They can be provided in advance upon request. Please note that the content of the courses may be subject to small modifications and that they're only available in Spanish.

UTDT Academic Calendar 2013-2014

First Semester 2013 (Spring Semester)

Feb. 13 – March 1	Intensive Spanish Course for International Students
March 1	Orientation Meeting and Lunch for International Students Auditorium, 10:00-4:00
March 5	Classes Begin
March 4 - 8	Registration Period
March 24	Holiday
March 28-29	Easter
April 1-2	Holiday
May 1	Holiday
May 6-17	Midterm Exam Period
May 25	Holiday
June 14	Late Drop Deadline
June 20-21	Holiday
June 28	Classes End
July 9	Holiday
July 1-19	Final Exam Period

Second Semester 2013 (Fall Semester)

July 15 – August 2	Intensive Spanish Course for International Students
August 2	Orientation Meeting and Lunch for International Students Auditorium, 10:00-4:00
August 5	Classes Begin
August 5 - 9	End of Registration Period
August 19	Holiday
September 21	Holiday
Sept 30 - Oct 11	Midterm Exam Period
October 14	Holiday
November 15	Late Drop Deadline
November 25	Holiday
November 29	Classes End
Dec. 2 - 20	Final Exam Period

Accommodations: UTDT is a commuter campus that does not have student residences. International students may request a housing list from the International Programs Office, which includes room rentals in private homes, student residences, and apartment rental services. Students are responsible for making their own housing arrangements.
Housing costs range between US$ 500-700 per month. The rate varies according to neighborhood and if meals are included.

Living costs: Approximately 600-800 pesos per month (excluding rent). It varies greatly depending on individual life style.

Visa: **All International students need a Student Visa.**
International students from countries that may enter Argentina as tourists without a visa, will not be required to get a student visa in

before arriving, but rather can process their temporary residence once they have entered the country.

Students who require a tourist visa to enter Argentina will be required to get a student visa before arriving in Buenos Aires. We suggest that you verify the visa requirements with the Argentine Consulate nearest your location while preparing your application materials. Among other required documents, you will need an official letter of acceptance from UTDT. These letters are sent in late November and late May for the subsequent semesters of study.

For more information see:
http://www.utdt.edu//ver_contenido.php?id_contenido=1397&id_item_menu=2552

Facilities:	Computer facilities (include e-mail connections for all exchange students), library services, café and restaurant. Students may participate on sports teams and receive student discounts at several near-by gyms and pools.
Health Insurance:	All exchange students -without exceptions- must purchase the Health Insurance provided by Universidad Torcuato Di Tella. The Health Insurance is provided by Hospital Británico, and UTDT students have access to a special plan that covers medical appointments, test and emergencies without the need for prior approval from the insurance company. To see further details of the coverage, please click here. You may also contact Lorena Cotugno (lcotugno@hbritanico.com.ar) directly for more detailed information. Details on how to purchase the Insurance are provided in the Mandatory Health Insurance Form.
Orientation:	We have an orientation and lunch for incoming students coinciding with the start of the undergraduate semester. It's usually the last Friday in July and the last Friday in February. It's not compulsory yet highly recommended. Those students who miss it are provided with orientation upon their arrival.