

# MEXICO

## A GVSU PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM



### Mexico: Universidad de las Americas Open to: All majors

#### TELL ME ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

PUEBLA, MEXICO: The Universidad de las Americas (UDLA) in Puebla with more than 65 years of tradition, offers academic programs that answer the present and future needs of today's world. The University has excellent library facilities and the latest technology in order to enhance teaching and research. UDLA students enjoy a lively campus environment offering numerous student activities.

UDLA is located in the municipality of San Andres Cholula, only fifteen minutes from the city of Puebla and 90 miles from Mexico City. Founded in 1531, this geographic region brings together the influences of pre-Hispanic, colonial, and modern Mexico and is recognized by UNESCO as a cultural treasure of the world. The area is an important industrial, commercial, and agricultural center. On a clear day one can see the Malinche Mountain and three of Mexico's tallest volcanoes from campus.

The majority of academic programs are taught in Spanish. Students who place into the advanced or superior levels of Spanish will be eligible to register for the content courses taught in Spanish. Courses in Spanish language are available at basic, intermediate and advanced levels. A limited number of courses are taught in English each year. Students who place into basic or intermediate Spanish will be eligible to take Spanish language courses and/or courses taught in English.

View the [UDLA Info Packet](#)

[Past participants](#) have shared their experiences.

**Mexico is currently listed on the U.S. Travel Warning List. Please refer to our travel warning policy when considering studying abroad in a country on the U.S. Travel Warning List.**

[UDLAP Video](#)

#### WHEN CAN I GO?

<b>Summer 2018:</b>	May - June, June - July, May - July
<b>Fall 2018:</b>	August - December
<b>Academic Year 2018-19:</b>	August - May
<b>Winter 2018:</b>	January - May

#### WHERE WILL I LIVE?

Students will live in residence halls with a shared kitchenette. The residence hall units are suite style offering a double room with four rooms sharing a common area. Meals are not included, however, the canteens are very close to the location of the residence halls. Students will be living primarily with Mexican roommates.

#### WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE?

Students must be degree seeking and have completed one semester at GVSU at the time of application. 2.5 GPA required.

## HOW DO I APPLY?

To apply for this program, log on to [www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad](http://www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad) to begin your online application.

### Application Deadlines

<b>Winter 2018:</b>	Sept. 10, 2017
<b>Summer 2018:</b>	Feb. 1, 2018
<b>Fall 2018:</b>	Feb. 1, 2018
<b>Academic Year 2018-19:</b>	Feb. 1, 2018

## WHAT CREDITS WILL I RECEIVE?

UDLA offers courses in many subjects including: business, law, math, Mexican culture, political science, and Spanish language.

Students participating in a partnership program will either register for courses that have been pre-approved courses or will go through a [Course Approval Process](#).

**For a full list of course options:** (Academic Program & Course Information) [Program Details](#)

## HOW MUCH DOES THE PROGRAM COST?

The approximate fee for this program is Total Projected Cost: \$12,281 - \$12,461 (per semester).

## FINANCIAL AID

Students typically pay for study abroad through a combination of financial aid, personal funds, scholarships/grants and alternative loans. **Early application for financial aid is strongly recommended.**

To contact the Financial Aid office, email [finaid@gvsu.edu](mailto:finaid@gvsu.edu) with “Study Abroad” in the Subject line. Include your **G Number** and **Total Projected Cost** of the program in the e-mail.

[Financial Aid](#)

## GRANTS

**STUDY ABROAD SEMESTER GRANT:** The average study abroad semester grant award is \$500 per semester. Students who complete an online study abroad application by the designated priority deadline, have a 2.5 GPA and a FAFSA on file, may be eligible for a study abroad grant ranging from \$500-\$1,750/semester. Due to limited funding, not all eligible students will receive a grant.

**PARTNERSHIP GRANT:** The Padnos International Center will provide (2) \$500 Partnership Grants for students spending a semester or year at this partner. If more than two students apply for this program, decisions on awards will be made based on the strength of a student's application and financial need. Students may be eligible for more than \$500, but two applicants will receive a minimum of \$500 in grant support. Decisions on awards will be made following the deadline for applications.

Visit [www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad/scholarships](http://www.gvsu.edu/studyabroad/scholarships) for information on other grants and scholarships.

## WHO CAN TELL ME MORE?

### Padnos International Center

130 Lake Ontario Hall

616-331-3898

[studyabroad@gvsu.edu](mailto:studyabroad@gvsu.edu)

Monday - Friday: 8am - 4pm

Hours extended on Wednesday until 7pm during Fall and Winter Semesters

UDLA website: [www.udlap.mx/internacional/intro.aspx](http://www.udlap.mx/internacional/intro.aspx)