

Ecuador is an **astoundingly diverse** yet small country located on the Pacific coast of South America.

Home to **4 eco-systems**: the Amazon, the Andes Mountains, the coastal lowlands, and the Galapagos. Within each region, there are distinct cultures to discover and sites to see, all within easy reach.

It is a great place for students seeking to learn more about the world and their place in it. Here you will **come face to face with the realities of a Latin American country** while being given the opportunity to learn how and why Ecuador has developed into the country it is today.







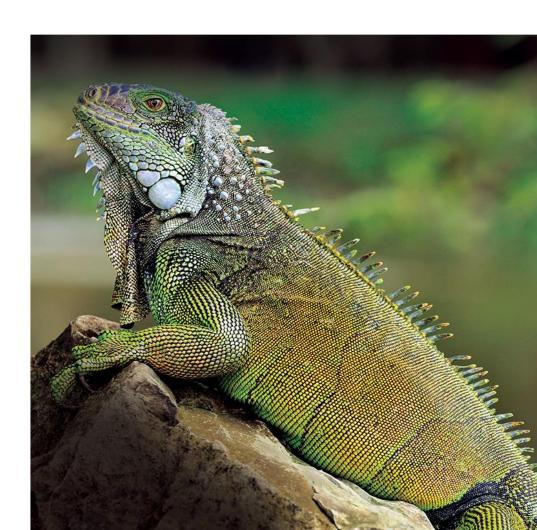


Welcome to Guayaquil



The biggest - and most populated - city in Ecuador, with over 2.5 million inhabitants. It has great commercial activity, being the prominent important seaport in Ecuador and having some of the largest shipping inflows in the Pacific coast.

Guayaquil has warm temperature most of the year, with a dry and a rainy season.



Guayaquil is the perfect destination for your semester abroad. It is located in the Ecuadorian coastline, which boasts **more than 2,000 km of beautiful beaches**, mangrove forests, charming fishing villages, among others.

In Ecuador's coastal provinces you will enjoy the local, tasteful gastronomy and experience fun activities including whale and dolphin watching during the season, snorkel, diving, surfing, kayaking, and not to mention warm weather all year round!





Guayaquil is a **travel hub** from where you can easily (and quickly) access the other regions as well.

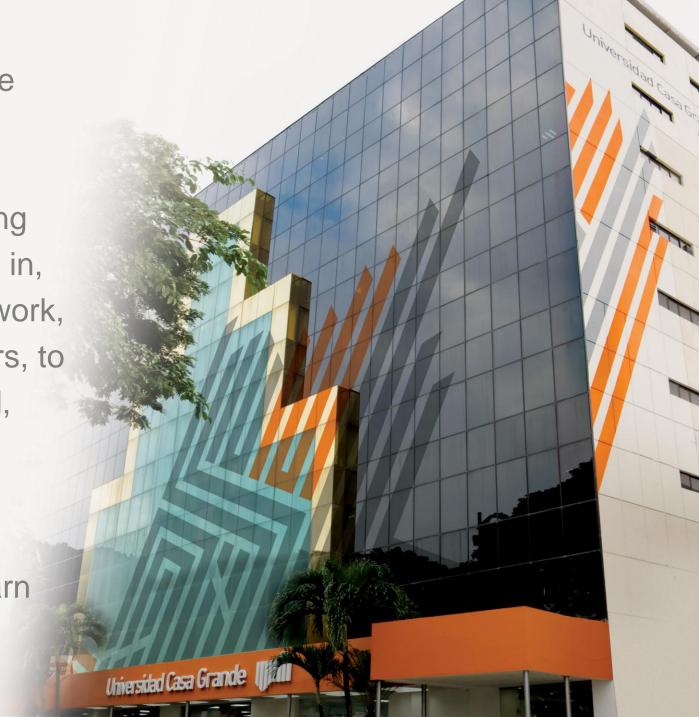
The **Highlands** offer unmatched views of the **Andes Mountains** and magnificent volcanoes (both extinct and active!) with endless opportunities to explore the region with hikes and trekking activities.

The **Amazon Rainforest** is unique, as it has pristine landscapes, home to some of the most biodiverse flora and fauna on the planet.

Last but not least, the **Galápagos Islands**, cradle of Darwin's Theory of Evolution, home to many endemic species, are paradise to those who love to snorkel, dive or simply admire nature at its finest everywhere you go.

Starting in 1992 we have formed professionals capable of changing the society we live in, who are ready to work, to be entrepreneurs, to go out in the world, and succeed.

Professionals who learned how to learn every day.



UCG is a small, tropical, creative, enthusiastic, curious, demanding, secure, social orientated environment; where our students, teachers, staff and visitors know that something new will happen every day.

Something that will change them, somehow.







Our educational proposal aims to satisfy the needs of society with new paradigms of an education focused on constant change, preparing socially responsible, efficient, ethical, creative and committed professionals, imbued with global awareness of external realities.

AREAS OF STUDY



- Political Science
- Advertising
- Journalism
- Graphic Design
- Communication
- Performing Arts
- Broadcasting and Multimedia
- Marketing
- International Business
- Business Administration
- Human Resources
- Special Education
- Early Childhood Education



ACADEMIC CALENDAR

January - April

April - August

September – December

A UCG semester has 16 weeks.

5 – 6 subjects of 3 credits each.

3 credits = 48 hours in class plus study time at home and projects.



Semester in Cuenca

Allows students to successfully combine cultural immersion with an academic catalog taught in English, in addition to courses on Spanish as a Foreign Language.

CEDEI is an organization with over 25 years of experience offering immersive cultural programs. It prides itself on the development of cultural understanding and exchange between local people, communities, and the international students that visit the region.



The highlights of this program include the homestay experience, extensive travel, cultural activities, service learning opportunities, and the beautiful city of Cuenca – a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

In this city, you will be able to enjoy spring-like weather all year around and visit Cajas National Park, the Ingapirca ruins, and more breathtaking destinations that will further enhance your experience in Ecuador.





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