

UF in Mérida, Mexico

University of Florida Study Abroad

Summer
TBA, 2009



Experience life in tropical Mexico. Hike through caves. Visit ancient Maya archaeological sites. Travel to indigenous Maya villages. See monkeys, crocodiles, sea turtles, and flamingoes. Take a boat trip through the mangroves. Sample Yucatecan cuisine. Dance to new rhythms. Live with a Mexican family in the beautiful, modern city of Mérida. Experience all of this and more through the University of Florida/Autonomous University of Yucatán Summer B Program in Mérida, Yucatán, Mexico. Students receive 3 credits of Spanish, 5 credits of Anthropology or Ecology, and 1 independent Anthropology credit. Join us for fun classes and weekly fieldtrips and have an unforgettable summer.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Home-stays with Mexican families
- Anthropology and Ecology courses taught by UF faculty
- Spanish language classes at all levels
- Anthropology and ecology field trips
- Integration with Mexican and international students in university life, political activities, and social worlds of the Yucatán
- Semester and academic year exchange program available

SUMMER COURSE OFFERINGS

Courses: UF GPA & transfer credit total is 9 credits for undergraduates or 6 credits for graduates.

PCB 4044 : General Ecology (5 transfer credits)

WIS 4941 : Wildlife Ecology (5 transfer credits)

ANT 4956 : Anthropology of the Yucatán (5 UF credits)

ANT 4905 : Individual Work (1 UF credit)

SPN xxxx : Beginning, Intermediate or Advanced level of Spanish (3 transfer credits)

All classes are taught in English, except for language classes.

Eligibility: UF undergraduate students with GPA greater than 2.0 (2.5 if CLAS or Business student). Graduate students in Education, Latin American Studies and Anthropology are encouraged to participate. No language requirement.



Application Deadline:
March 6, 2009

2009 Summer Program fee: TBA - undergraduate
TBA - graduate

Fee includes: Tuition for 9 credits, lodging and daily meals with a host family, class excursions, orientation, cost of instruction, international health insurance and medical emergency assistance.

Round-trip airfare is additional.

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Student Financial Aid Advisor:

See your assigned financial aid advisor.

UF in Mérida

The UF in Mérida program provides students with an opportunity to take courses in Ecology, Anthropology, and Spanish during the summer session or for a semester or the academic year. The program encourages integration into Spanish life with daily interaction with Mexican families and Mexican university students.

The academic semester program is for advanced students fluent in Spanish. The program incorporates you into the academic life of the Autonomous University of the Yucatán. Classes are taken with Mexican students as well as international students from Japan, England, and other countries. The semester courses include classes in subjects such as Spanish-American literature, the history of Mexico and the Yucatán, Mayan archaeology, Maya language, and Mexican anthropology, along with a class in academic spoken Spanish.



Housing

The program offers home-stays with families in Mérida for all students. Meals taken with the host family are included in the program cost.

Academic Credits

As this is a UF program, credits taken can satisfy major, minor, and university requirements with prior approval. UF GPA credit will be granted for courses taken with UF faculty. Transfer credit will be earned with courses taught by professors from the Universidad Autónoma de Yucatán.

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*Applications considered on space-available basis,
so please apply early.*

Please apply online at: www.abroad.ufic.ufl.edu

Financial Aid

University of Florida students needing financial aid should apply through UF Student Financial Affairs (SFA). Non-UF students needing financial aid must apply to their home institutions.

FEES DUE UPON APPLICATION:

A \$250 nonrefundable deposit toward the total cost of the program is required at the time of application. The remaining fees are due no later than 30 days prior to departure.

Students receiving financial aid may defer payment until their financial aid disperses.

Not Included in the program fees:

Round-trip airfare, additional personal travel and personal expenses.