

A)

My courses this semester

- Business Intelligence and Analytics
- Business Negotiations
- Environmental Economics
- Gestion de Procesos de Negocios (Business Process Management)
- Intercultural Business Challenges in Latin America

My classes here are similar to Telfer's in terms of in person class time. With each course having 3 hours of lecture per week. Compared to UOttawa, there is much more groupwork/assignments compared to midterms/exams. The workload per course also seems to be less compared to UOttawa. I think this is because the professors recognize that their classes are mostly international students who are looking to travel.

B)

Semester Dates and Holidays

always check with the Secretaria de Estudios

<https://www.feriados.cl/2024.htm>

Event	Fall 2023
Suggested Arrival Dates	March 1st
Online Course registration	TBD
In Person Mandatory Orientation Welcome Session	March 4th or March 5th (TBD)
Classes Begin	March 6
Arrival Deadline	March 6
Add/Drop Courses Deadline	March 6-13 at 12:00 noon
Mid-Term Exams	May 2-15
Mandatory End of Semester Event	June (TBD)
Final Exam Period	June 26-July 9
End of Semester	July 9

Day	National Holiday
Friday, March 29	Good Friday
Saturday, March 30	Holy Saturday
Wednesday, May 1	Labor Day
Tuesday, May 21	Naval Glory Day
Thursday, June 20	Indigenous Day
Martes, July 16	Virgin Carmen Day

C)

The International Exchange Office offered 2 days of orientation upon arrival. We were also connected with “FEN Buddies” from our school so that we would have someone to contact if we had any questions. Registration for courses happened in December/January, but the school provided lots of information and help with registering for them.

D)

Airplane tickets: \$1500 round trip

Housing: \$500/month

Vacation: Can be as expensive or as cheap as you would like. So far I have booked a 6 day trek to Patagonia for \$700 that includes flights. You can also do weekend trips with friends that cost under \$100 if you book with friends and take the bus.

Daily costs: Daily costs are cheaper compared to Canada. Groceries cost me about \$40/week here, compared to about \$60/week in Canada. My phone plan here costs about \$10/month as well.

Textbooks: No professors require you to buy a textbook.

Meals: There are cheaper options here compared to Canada. If you’re looking to enjoy a nice meal in a restaurant, the prices are like Canada.

F)

I lived at Eduardo Hyatt 582 in Providencia. I found this house through Santiago Exchange, which offers housing for exchange students. I live in a house with 16 other people, which makes it very easy to make friends and always have someone to hangout with. It is also more of a social environment, so beware of that. My housing is about \$500CAD per month, it is a very small room with no window but it’s cozy!

G)

No work term.

H)

Would recommend!! My only complaint so far is the theft that goes on here in the streets. Chile is a very safe country in terms of anything happening to your health, but it is more likely that you’ll be robbed.

I)

Since the Chile semester is so delayed, I’ve only been here for about 2 weeks. However, this has been the best two weeks of my life. I have made amazing friends already and fun memories. I have many trips planned and can balance school during the week while enjoying my time off. I’m super happy with my choice to go to Santiago for my exchange.