

CHILE

INTERNSHIPS, RESEARCH, AND INDEPENDENT STUDY

UC eAP

INTERNSHIPS

The EAP Study Center in Santiago has such extensive networking connections with a wide range of schools, businesses, and NGOs, that over 50% of EAP students in Chile participate in internships each year. With a well-established database of organizations categorized by field of study, it is easy to find and contact organizations that match your interests and will allow you to gain practical experience in your major field of study, receive academic credit, and enhance your cultural experience in Chile.

Internship Examples

UCEAP participants have conducted internships in a wide variety of subject areas. Previous opportunities have included:

- Un Techo Para Mi País, a non-profit organization in Latin America dedicated to improving the quality of life of impoverished families: build temporary housing, classrooms and libraries, or help research funding opportunities and draft grant proposals.
- Inglés Abre Puertas (English Opens Doors), a program through the Chilean Ministry of Education: assist elementary school English teachers to lead lessons or activities.
 - Various school or education-focused internships are available through various organizations. Opportunities also exist for CalTeach students and others specifically interested in inquiry-based science learning and teaching.
- Media and journalism internships with Santiago Times, Revolver magazine, CNN Chile, Radio Tierra, and Radio Encuentro.
- Provide research support for non-profit and non-governmental organizations focusing on vocational training, environmental conservation and protection, minority rights, women's rights, and migrant workers.

The complete database of internship opportunities and information on how to obtain UC credit is available once you arrive at the UC Study Center in Santiago.

RESEARCH AND INDEPENDENT STUDY

For those looking for research opportunities, it is possible to arrange field or lab research or an independent study with a faculty member at either of our locations, the University of Chile or PUC Chile. These special studies are taken for academic credit and can count towards your minimum unit load requirement. Past projects have included:

- Study of the pathology of Alzheimer's disease at the Neuroscience Lab in the Faculty of Medicine at PUC Chile.
- Investigation of bioclimatic architecture and sustainable development and planning techniques for a new Center of Solar Radiation Studies building on the university campus.

Students completing research are also eligible to win a cash prize from UCEAP and entry in a national competition for undergraduate research. Simply submit an application for UCEAP's Undergraduate Research Award in the spring.

“ My internship experience was educational in many ways, especially academically and culturally. I feel that my internship strongly enhanced my experience in Chile and I strongly recommend for all other participants do one as well as it is a great way, too, to be familiarized with Chile outside of the University. ”

—Lara Rich, UC Santa Barbara

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“ Just imagine me—a young, gringa, foreign exchange student who just started an internship two days ago, surrounded by well-established/respected journalists, activists, and educators. I was so glad to be around people talking about the very things that I am so passionate about...

I already feel like I'm learning so much. I am definitely in the right place. ”

—Megan Dalessio, UC Berkeley



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