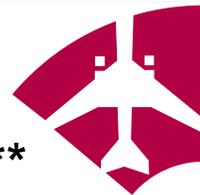




Argentina Spring 2014 Arrival Information



****TAKE THIS WITH YOU TO ARGENTINA****

ALL STUDENTS MUST ARRIVE ON:

January 28, 2014

Your flight should arrive no later than 1:00pm

ALL STUDENTS MUST MEET AT:

Name: Hotel Plaza San Martín Suites

Street Address: Suipacha 1092

Telephone: +54 11 5093 7007

Website: www.plazasanmartin.com

Argentina Entry Requirements:

U.S. citizens should be prepared to pay a \$160 reciprocity fee **before** entering Argentina. This fee is set by the government of Argentina and is subject to change at any time. **You must pay this fee online before you travel.** The most recent information from the U.S. Department of State is here:

Use the following link and follow the instructions to make your payment:

http://www.migraciones.gov.ar/pdf_varios/reciprocidad/Online_payment_instructions.pdf#zoom=100

Do not forget to print the payment receipt. On arrival in Argentina, this printed receipt must be presented at Immigration Control. The receipt will be scanned by the Immigration officials, the information will be checked, and the traveler's entry to the country registered.

Non-U.S. citizens should contact the Consulate of Argentina before traveling abroad to see if there are additional entry requirements.

Upon arrival in Argentina, you will be granted a 90-day tourist visa, which may then be changed to a student visa from within Argentina (if necessary). The need for a student visa is determined each semester. More details about the visa process are provided during orientation. You should budget an additional \$80 for possible visa-related expenses.

FROM AIRPORT TO HOTEL:

UCEAP Students arriving at Ministro Pistarini International Airport - also known as Ezeiza International Airport- (EZE) on January 28th and who have signed up for one of the assigned transfer times will be met by Expanish staff and transferred to the hotel.

Upon entering Terminal A, you should go to the seating area in front of McDonald's. There is only one and it is easily visible as soon as you exit the customs area. Expanish staff will be there with a sign at 10am. If you arrive before this time, please wait in this designated area for the Expanish staff. There will be three set times for the transfer, 10:00am, 12:00pm and 2:00pm. There will be room in the shuttle for you as long as you provided UCEAP with your flight information and transfer preferences by December 31st.

If you plan to arrive earlier on the morning of the 28th, you can wait for one of the transfers in front of McDonald's, or arrange your own transportation.

All students will stay in the hotel for the first two nights (January 28th and 29th).

*All pre-departure questions or concerns should be directed to Aaron Faucher and Stacey Hart at UCEAP at (805) 893-4268 or send an email to afaucher@eap.ucop.edu or staceyhart@eap.ucop.edu.

If you plan on arranging your own transfer from the airport to the hotel:

Expanish recommends a company called *Manuel Tienda Leon* instead of hailing a random taxi, which can be much more expensive. In the past, some students have been charged unfair prices by taxi drivers. Manuel Tienda Leon has English-speaking staff and set prices. Check Manuel Tienda Leon's [website](#) for details and rates. You can either take a private bus (80 pesos) to Terminal Madero (downtown) and a short taxi ride to the hotel from there. Or, you can take a private car directly to the hotel (340 pesos).

If you are already in Buenos Aires:

Plan on arriving at the hotel no later than 3:00pm on January 28th. You are responsible for your accommodations prior to the official program start date, and you must arrange your own transportation to the hotel.

AT THE HOTEL:

Your name will be included in the general Expanish reservation. In order to facilitate the check-in process, please bring:

1. Photocopy of the first page of your passport (the photo page)
2. Photocopy of a debit or credit card to be used as security deposit

Please note that rooms may not be ready until the official check-in time at 2pm. Check in, relax, have a bite to eat, and be ready in the lobby for the neighborhood orientation at 3:30pm. You will take a quick walk to orient you with the area, be shown where to exchange money, and get a feel for your surroundings. This will be followed by an optional dinner at 8pm.

ORIENTATION SCHEDULE:

January 29th, 30th, and 31st are dedicated to a full-day orientation and group activities, including a city tour and welcome dinner. The Expanish staff and UCEAP Study Center Director will introduce themselves and review all practical components of the Intensive Spanish Language program, including program calendar, student services, computer access, housing, health, safety, emergencies, money and banking, communication, and public transportation. You will receive a welcome packet with subway pass, insider's city guide, and other useful items. You will move into your housing accommodations on the evening of January 30th. On February 2nd, you will participate in a visit to a local *estancia* and then will have the rest of the weekend to adapt to your new surroundings.

Note: Except for the activities noted as optional, all students are required to attend the on-site orientation. Students who arrive late or miss the planned orientation are subject to dismissal from the program.

FLIGHT DELAYS, MISSED CONNECTIONS, OR EMERGENCIES:

If in U.S.:	Stacey Hart or Aaron Faucher	(805) 893-4268
If in Argentina/ en route:	Treva Finkle	+011-54-9-11- 6975-7142 (from USA) 15-6975-7142 (from Buenos Aires)

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