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Santiago, Chile

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Certificate Program in
Teaching English as a Foreign Language

August – December

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE
ABOUT UC IRVINE
The University of California is world renowned for its research and excellence in scholarship and teaching. UC Irvine consistently ranks among the nation’s best public universities. The department of continuing education at UC Irvine has been offering international teacher training since 1987. Its instructors are experienced EFL/ESL teachers and exceptional teacher trainers.

ENROLL TODAY
1. Submit a completed application and supporting documents.
2. Include a $150 application fee.
3. Attend a one-day pre-departure orientation.

You will receive a letter of confirmation once you have been admitted into the program along with pre-departure guidelines, forms, and information. Participants are responsible for travel costs and arrangements to and from Chile, and for obtaining a passport, visa, and health insurance.

ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS
1. What is included in the tuition?
   Courses, books, and materials are covered in tuition.

2. Are there age or educational requirements or limits?
   Participants must be at least 20 years of age and have completed at least three years of undergraduate coursework.

3. Do I need to speak Spanish?
   No, all classes are taught in English. However, complimentary Spanish classes will be offered as part of the program for those interested in improving their Spanish speaking skills.

4. How many students are in the program?
   Class size varies, with an average class size of twenty students.

5. What if English is not my native language?
   Can I still apply?
   Participants from non-English speaking countries may be enrolled as long as they demonstrate advanced English proficiency and meet the other requirements for acceptance into the program.

6. What other activities can students participate in?
   A number of extracurricular activities, both planned and spontaneous, are available to students in the program.

7. What if I can’t make the Pre-Departure Orientation at UCI?
   Materials will be mailed to you so that you can complete items on the checklist before leaving.

8. Can family members come along?
   Yes, provided the participant makes appropriate living arrangements. They may not attend classes unless enrolled.

9. Is Chile safe?
   Yes. Chile is one of the safest countries in South America. It has a stable political system and economy.

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If you’ve ever longed for travel, or for a way to combine your love of travel with learning, the University of California, Irvine offers a unique educational experience—earning your Certificate in Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) in Santiago, Chile.

Studying in Chile is safe, adventurous, and fun. Chile is becoming one of the top tourist destinations in South America. With less than 100 miles separating the Pacific Ocean and the Andes Mountains, it has long been popular with surf and ski enthusiasts. In recent years, Chile’s steady economic growth and stable political system have encouraged increasing numbers of tourists to enjoy its natural wonders. From the driest place on earth, the Atacama Desert in the North, through the central zone of lakes, rivers, and volcanoes, to the fjords, forests, and glaciers of Patagonia in the South, Chile has an adventure waiting for everyone.

You will study in the capital city, Santiago, located in the center of the country. Highly urban, with modern skyscrapers existing alongside 19th century architecture, Santiago is both charming and dynamic. Classes will be held at Universidad Andres Bello located in one of Santiago’s university districts.

Within Santiago, museums, galleries, theaters, restaurants, artisan pueblos, coffee houses, wine bars, clubs, outdoor markets, and shopping malls—all are easily reached in minutes by subway, bus, or taxi. If you wish to travel outside of Santiago, ski resorts are an hour away by bus and the coast just two hours away. With plenty of time to explore during the program, you’re sure to make exciting new discoveries!

**ACADEMIC PROGRAM**

The TEFL Certificate is your passport to the world. In four short months, you’ll establish a foundation for teaching everything from English grammar to pronunciation. You’ll acquire the most up-to-date theoretical knowledge and develop the practical skills you’ll need to be an effective EFL instructor. At the conclusion of the program, you’ll have the confidence, and the experience to begin working as an EFL instructor in the country of your choice.

The program provides approximately 242 hours of in-class instruction taught by highly qualified and experienced teacher trainers. All instruction is conducted in English. The program offers an added component of complimentary Spanish language classes for those who want to improve their Spanish.

**WHO SHOULD ATTEND**

- Energetic, flexible, creative, adventurous individuals interested in education, teaching, or service
- Individuals who have completed three or more years of post-secondary study
- Native speakers of English or others with demonstrated advanced English proficiency (e.g. minimum 197 CBT TOEFL score)

**TRAVEL & LIVING ARRANGEMENTS**

Every effort is made to make your transition to living and studying in Chile a smooth one.

**Transportation**

Each student is responsible for making transportation arrangements to and from Chile. This allows you to shop for the best fare and establish your own schedule to give you more time to enjoy the sights of Chile either before or after the program. A number of flight direct to Santiago are offered through major American airline carriers as well as Lan Chile.

**Housing**

With the resources provided by Uc Irvine, housing arrangements can be made in advance. A variety of living accommodations are available including apartments, dormitories, homestay, and hotels. Detailed information for housing will be mailed to you upon acceptance into the program.
Estimated Living Expenses
Living expenses are estimated between $USD 700-$1000 per month including housing, meals, and entertainment. Tuition is separate. Please refer to the application for tuition costs. Purchasing comprehensive accident and health insurance prior to departure is recommended.

A listing of insurance companies will be provided to you. You may choose a provider from the list, or you may obtain your own policy from a different provider.

Courses
The TEFL Certificate includes the following courses.

Language Learning Theories
Find out how people learn languages as you compare first language and second language acquisition and child and adult foreign language learning. Understand the learning theories that are the foundation of various teaching methodologies, and develop strategies that you can use in your own teaching situations.

Teaching Methods
Study effective techniques for teaching English learners. Learn a variety of methods for teaching listening, speaking, reading, writing, pronunciation, vocabulary, and grammar. Develop lesson plans and materials for your classroom.

The Grammar of English
Expand your knowledge of the system of English and learn to help your students overcome difficulties associated with interference from their first language. Clear up any confusion over troublesome grammatical structures.

Teaching Speaking Skills
Learn and practice strategies and activities to help your students improve their speaking skills. Understand the differences between accuracy, fluency, and communicative competence, and learn methods for developing your students’ proficiency in these areas.

Teaching Pronunciation
Learn how to help your students improve their pronunciation skills. Study effective techniques for teaching vowel and consonant sounds as well as the rhythm and intonation of the English language.

Language Assessment
Learn and practice different formal and informal ways of assessing your students. Discuss, observe, analyze, and practice the evaluation of speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills.

Research Seminar
Use knowledge gained throughout the program to select a field-specific research project. Learn a variety of research approaches and techniques, and learn to read and analyze field-specific research articles.