

UNA-UNCo SPANISH AND CULTURAL IMMERSION PROGRAM

www.una.edu.ar | www.uncoma.edu.ar



WELCOME

The National University of the Arts (UNA for its acronym in Spanish) and the National University of Comahue (UNCo) welcome all international students who want to visit Argentina and learn more about its customs, language, history and surroundings by attending a course on Spanish recognized academically and experiencing cultural immersion.

Our Program

The UNA-UNCo Spanish and Cultural Immersion Program is designed for all who want to gain cultural immersion experience and learn Spanish language skills in a university environment of excellence and academic prestige. This is a six-week program with 120 hours of instruction. Student's enrolment includes:

- Personal attention and orientation before the trip
- Contact with a multilingual assistant in Argentina
- Welcome day
- City maps
- Course materials
- Test
- Snack during breaks
- Scheduled recreation activities
- Spanish language certificate



Two Universities

Since 1996, UNA has been preparing artists and researchers to excel in the different disciplines of this field through a methodology based on applied practices which favour the learning process offering participation in workshops, team work experience and a great many activities outside the classroom. Our teaching staff is a group of renowned artists and academics with a prolific career both nationally and internationally.

UNCO, founded in 1972, is the largest public university in Argentine Patagonia. The university's central administration is set in the city of Neuquén but many of the Schools and Regional Centres are located in different cities, more than 16, in the Río Negro and Neuquén provinces. Excellence in academic offering, in the most varied fields, is in tune with the cultural, scientific and technological development of the Patagonian region and the country.

Cultural Immersion- Arts (UNA)

UNA is a Latin American referent in terms of artistic education, extension and research, offering a place where academic training and learning are combined with intercultural activities and different recreational opportunities to enjoy Buenos Aires city's unique culture and art.

Due to its disciplinary diversity, UNA provides creative ways to connect with and explore different academic experiences by transcending their own borders and establishing a permanent link with the City, and thus giving rise to avant-garde artistic-academic events.



Introducing Argentine Music

Tango, folk music, rock. Socio-cultural origins of each. Main representatives, historical styles, instrumental variants. Main poetic themes. Current state of each genre. Buenos Aires' Musical Map: Where to go? What to listen to?

Traditional Argentine Dances

Argentine folk dances, tango, milonga, waltz. Regional identity and culture. Milonga's circuits and folk music's peñas.

Argentinean New Dramaturgy

A theoretical approach to the new Argentine drama. Reading and analysis of plays. Theatre circuits in Buenos Aires.

Argentine and Latin American Films

An approach towards last decade's Argentine and Latin American films. Films analysis and critique. Meeting with directors.

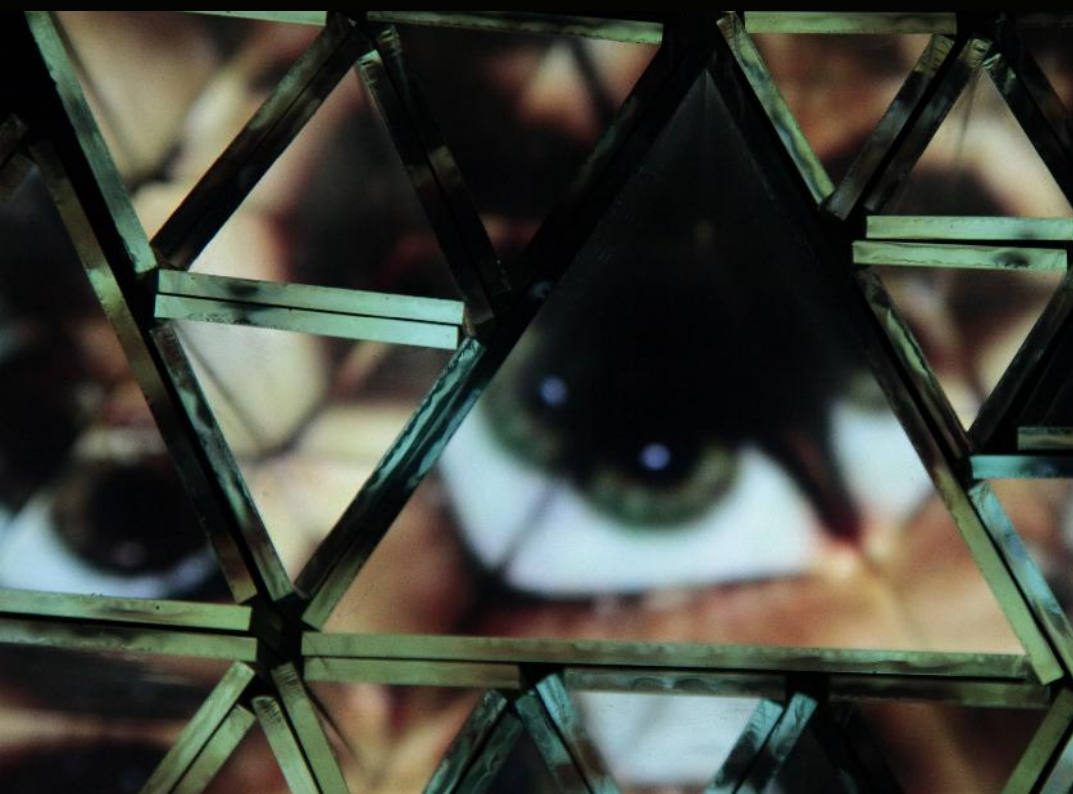
Curators, critics and artists: The Argentine Scene

Critics, curators and artists. Argentinian visual arts since the mid-twentieth century until the present time. Circuits including museums and non-conventional spaces displaying visual arts.

Contemporary Argentine Narrative

Argentine narrative throughout the last few years. Authors, aesthetic pursuits and trajectories. Reading and analysis of works. Circuits of Buenos Aires' bookstores.









Spanish language in Latin America - UNCo

Spanish is one of the most spoken languages of the world, existing in more than 20 countries. Latin America is the subcontinent with contains more countries who speak this language than any other, having millions of Spanish-speaking citizens. It has become a global language, having an influence in arts and culture and being used by professionals in different fields. Pragmatic and cultural contents are the basis of the Spanish course of studies at National University of Comahue, with an emphasis in current issues and cultural and social life of the country, and in particular of the Patagonia. Spanish courses emphasize understanding and fluency, and foster students' participation and interaction with the place and its residents in real-life contexts.

A rewarding reason to study Spanish at Universidad is to get the Spanish certificate: Language and use - CELU, and internationally valid Spanish certificate. CELU is the only examination acknowledged by the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cult of the Republic of Argentina. Foreigners whose mother tongue is not Spanish can obtain this certificate to assess their ability to use Spanish as a second language in study and work environments.



Our locations

The Program takes place in three different locations: UNA-Buenos Aires; UNCo- Neuquen and UNCo - San Martín de los Andes, thus enabling students to know three of the most active and interesting cities in Argentina, with different climates and landscapes in a natural environment and cultural life attractive.

Buenos Aires is the capital of Argentina. It is located in the central-eastern of the country, on the western bank of the Rio de la Plata, in the pampa region. It has an estimated population of 2.890.151 citizens, one of the 20 largest cities in the world population.

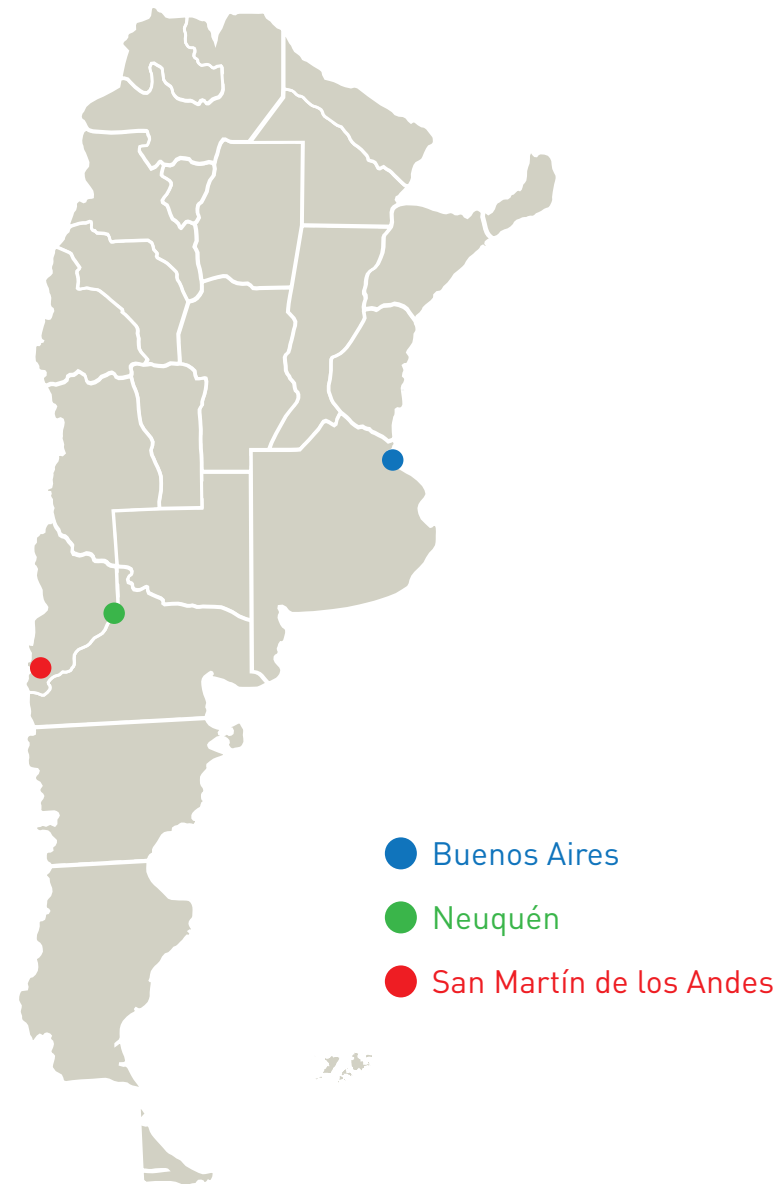
Its urban profile is eclectic. They are mixed, because of immigration, Art Deco styles, art nouveau, neo-Gothic and French Bourbons. For this reason it is known in the world by the nickname “The Paris of South America”. The skyscraper is another common element of the Buenos Aires skyline. It was chosen by UNESCO as a City of Design in 2005 and as World Book Capital 2011.

Neuquén Capital is the most important city in southern Argentina. Header entry to Patagonia, is the largest service center in a region that has nearly 600,000 citizens. The city name comes from the name of the river, which in Mapuche language means ‘water that has strength’.

San Martín de los Andes located in the middle of the Andes and on the edge of Lake Lácar, is the main tourist destination in the province of Neuquén.

It has an estimated 30,000 citizens population and a privileged environment allows the development of outdoor activities. Located 640 meters above sea level, on a characteristic natural system of the Patagonian Andes, with mountains covered with dense forests, clear streams and great biodiversity.

More than 1100 km (683 miles) separates Buenos Aires, Neuquen and San Martín de los Andes.



UNA – Buenos Aires

Buenos Aires, chosen as one of the best tourist destinations in South America, has a rich and unique cultural variety on the continent, also an extensive gastronomic offer and an intense nightlife.

Buenos Aires historical: Nothing better start to know the central area of the city with its historical sites. Plaza de Mayo, the Cabildo, the Metropolitan Cathedral and the Obelisk are some of the emblematic points.

Museums and theaters: Visit museums of national and international art highlights of Buenos Aires, including the National Museum of Fine Arts, the Museum of Latin American Art (Malba) and Eduardo Sívori Museum. With a range of more than 300 theaters, Buenos Aires is the city with the most intense theatrical activity in Latin America and fourth worldwide.

Sporting events and green spaces: Do you like playing football, go rollerblading or playing extreme sports? Buenos Aires offers all this and more.

Nightlife: Pubs, bars and clubs, whether in San Telmo, Palermo or Puerto Madero there are numerous options. The night can last up long hours!

Festivals and events: the city always has options to offer. It is internationally renowned for its festivals Independent Film, Festival Tango, International Theatre Festival of Buenos Aires, GalleryNights, among others.



UNCo - Neuquén

Neuquén, entrance gate to Patagonia Argentina and the provincial capital, has the ideal combination of nature, culture and entertainment. City where converge the waters of two major rivers, the Neuquén and Limay; which can be availed through its spas, contemplate the fauna or practice sport fishing and boat rides.

Circuit agritourism and wine cellar: This city also invites you to go through the fertile valley that surrounds it, be part of the production of its stone fruit visiting agritourism farms or taste the delicious wines of the young wineries that complement the route of an important production cycle, where you can appreciate landscapes, flavors, aromas and enjoy unforgettable experiences.

History and Culture: The region is also very rich in fossils. A few kilometers from the city, you can visit Villa El Chocón or Carmen Funes Museum in Plaza Huincul. Through reconstructions and fossil, there is a wide variety of dinosaurs that were found in Neuquén Province.

The city also has a rich cultural life. In its multiple rooms independent theater, exhibition halls, the National Museum of Fine Arts, cinemas and holiday crafts, complete this varied offer.

UNCo - San Martín de los Andes

San Martín de los Andes is a typical alpine village located in the South of the Province of Neuquén, 432 km from the Capital City of the Province. It is located within the National Park Lanin, which was created to protect the natural environment of the area: the mountains, native woods, rivers, streams, falls and clear water lakes that offer an unique and stunning view and a place to enjoy a wide variety of activities and walks

History: native communities such as the Mapuches live in the spectacular scenario of the National Park. The Mapuches are the guardians of the history and legends of this region.

Natural tourism and sports: Located at one of the ends of the famous road of The Seven Lakes, which connects the village with Villa La Angostura, the village is the starting point of one of the most astonishing tours in the Patagonia. It can be visited by bike, car, or just trekking, going through the native woods and enjoying the quietness of nature, or camping at one of the seven lakes shore.

Adrenaline and vertigo in the winter at the International Center of Cerro Chapelco Ski, with 140 hectares skiable, 12 means of elevation and snow cannons is an option for the more rooted adventurers, while hiking with snowshoes, sleds or relax in snow immensity complement enjoy the winter.





UNA-UNCO SPANISH AND CULTURAL IMMERSION PROGRAM

Contact | una.unco@gmail.com

UNA Universidad Nacional
de las Artes

CONTACT

Secretary of Institutional Development and Relations

Main Building UNA

International Relations Office

Azcúenaga 1129, 2do. Piso, Ciudad de Buenos Aires
(54.11) 5777.1349 / 1350

rectorado.internacionales@una.edu.ar



UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL
DEL COMAHUE

CONTACT

Undersecretary of International Relations Main Building UNCo

Buenos Aires 1400, (Q8300IBX), Neuquén Capital
(54.0299) 449.0300 / int. 254

internacionales@central.uncoma.edu.ar