

Program Overview

Now in its sixteenth year, this amazing trip offers a total immersion experience. By living with a host family, your Spanish will improve on a daily—sometimes hourly!—basis. Living in South America provides for appreciation of Hispanic and indigenous American cultures. On the excursions we take -ifantásticas!- we explore the rich beauty of Chile's land, people, animals, and cultural traditions.

Academics

SPN 302: Intermediate Readings in Spanish (3 credits)

SPN 394: El cóndor y el toro: Indigenous and Spanish Chile (3 credits)

Both classes count toward the major or minor in Spanish.

Program Features

- Spend the day at an alpaca ranch
- · A day of horseback riding
- Spend a day immersed in indigenous Mapuche culture
- Visit Pablo Neruda's Isla Negra home
- Tour Valparaíso's breathtaking hills and visit sea lions in the harbor
- Trek in Parque Nacional La Campana

Location

Our program "home base" is the sister cities of Valparaíso (Valpo) and Viña del Mar. Located on the Pacific Ocean, Valpo is one of the world's most picturesque cities. It is a city of hills (cerros), and has a magnificent harbor. Ride the ascensores (cable cars), they go steeply up the cerros. Lovely Viña is ten minutes away, and is where you live with your host families. Viña has world-class beaches, great cafés and restaurants, and is super-walkable.

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Program Fee: \$3,410

Includes:

- Lodging with Chilean host family, including 3 meals/day & laundry
- Cultural excursions and activities including ground transportation, admissions, some meals
- Health insurance

Additional Costs:

- International Airfare
- UNCW Tuition and fees
- Texbooks
- Optional excursions
- Local Transportation
- Passport, if needed

Eligibility Requirements

- Degree-seeking student
- Good judicial standing
- 2.5+ GPA at time of application
- Must be at least 18 years of age at time of participation

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