



It is my pleasure to welcome you to a new year of discovery through Adventist Colleges Abroad.

Our theme this year, "More Than Words. Learning Languages, Living Stories," reflects the heart of the ACA experience. Learning a new language is not only about mastering words; it is about building connections, understanding new cultures, and growing personally and spiritually in ways that transform your life story.

We are pleased to announce that, in addition to our traditional academic year and summer programs, **new global internship opportunities** are now available. These experiences will allow undergraduate students to apply their skills in authentic, real-world settings, deepening both their professional and cultural competence.

As you explore the pages of this magazine, I invite you to imagine yourself studying in a new country, speaking a new language, and living a story that only God could write. ACA is ready to help you take that first step into a larger world.

We look forward to seeing how your journey unfolds.



**Dr. Juan Antonio López de la Torre** Director, Adventist Colleges Abroad

Student safety remains our top priority.

We closely monitor global conditions and adjust programs as needed to ensure a safe, enriching, and academically excellent study abroad experience.





## **Packing List & Tips**

For more suggestions please check the FAQs section on our website.



**A Valid Passport** 



Possibly a Visa

ACA office will provide information



**Adapter & Converter** 

Universal adapter and converter for electronics



**Local Currency** 

(of host country)



American Express and Discover are not recommended



A Good Sense of Humor



**Towels** 

### **Personal Items**

Appropriate clothing (Google weather of destination)

- Personal toiletries
- Comfortable walking shoes
- Backpack for weekend trips

**Attention:** For an extended packing list, recommendations and policies, please visit the FAQ section of our website.



Airfaire, passport, and visa expenses not included in the ACA price.

#### ALL ACA PROGRAMS PRICES INCLUDE

- Tuition and fees
- Room and board
- Transfer of credits
- Books
- Program organized cultural tours (hotels, food, tickets)
- Health and travel insurance (for more information, visit our webpage)
- Pick up/drop off at airport when you arrive for the first time and when you leave the program.

**Attention:** Employees of SDA church and institutions in the NAD: please consult with your HR about your benefits. Your child may be eligible for subsidy when studying abroad.



Benefits of Your

Get university credits for languages and general courses

(check our ACA Course catalog on the ACA website)

Learn accompanied by ACA teachers

Discover new skills and passions Amplify visibility when applying for graduate programs

Deepen your spiritual life

Become more valuable to an employer by mastering another language

Get easier access to international job opportunities

Find the love of your life

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### **Applying to ACA**

**Undergraduate Students** 

Undergraduate Students Must:

- Enroll through a Consortium Institution or through a Guest Institution (see pages 12-13)
- Have a college GPA of 2.0
- Have a good citizenship record

If you are not currently enrolled in a Consortium Institution or Guest Institution but you want to attend an ACA program, you can still apply by enrolling as a Guest student to get the college credits transferred. Contact ACA@nadadventist.org for more information our webpage.

#### **Please Note:**

ACA recommends that you buy your plane tickets after having received the acceptance document from the ACA office. ACA also recommends purchasing flexible tickets. When a visa is needed, ACA recommends to buy the plane ticket only after having received the visa from the consulate. ACA is not responsible for denied or delayed visas that may affect travel arrangements.

Application Season for Summer 2026 and Academic Year 2026-2027 opens October 1, 2025

#### **APPLICATION DEADLINES**

Summer May 20, 2026
Academic Year: Early Academic Year: Fall July 17, 2026
Academic Year: Winter Academic Year: Spring February 12, 2027

### How to Apply to an ACA Program as an Undergraduate Student

- Create a new account at https://www.acastudyabroad.com/login/
- Follow the instructions and get advice from your ACA Campus Coordinator or from ACA. (see pages 12-13)
- **3.** Once you fill out all the information, get the needed signatures from your sending institution.
- Your application is complete only when your sending institution uploads the Signature page to the ACA website.

## After Sending Your

### **Institution Application To The ACA System**

- 1. Check your email! When accepted by ACA, you should receive an admittance email with any documents/instructions to attend the program abroad.
- 2. If a visa is needed the ACA office will provide some of the required documents for the consulate as well as some guidance for the process.

Got questions: email aca@nadadventist.org or call to our office: +1 443-391-7278

### **Applying to ACA**

**High Schoolers** 

**High School Students Must:** 

High School Students who apply for college credit:

- a. If you want to apply for summer college credit, you must register as a quest student at one of the Consortium institutions. Please write to ACA to get detailed information and check the information on the Undergraduate information page (previous page). (Students who have finished their Freshman year at High School qualify to apply for college credit)
- **b.** If you are a senior and want to do your first year of College at ACA, you must register as a guest student at one of the Consortium institutions. Please, write to ACA to get detailed information and check the information on the Undergraduate Application page

High School students who apply for High school credit. (Home Schoolers are also welcome under this category)

If you want to apply for an ACA summer program and want to have High School credit, please, follow the instructions on the website after creating your account at Create a new account at https://www.acastudyabroad.com/login/

Payment is also allowed in the webpage.

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After You Submit

Your Application and Upload the Needed Documents, check your email! When accepted by ACA, you should receive and admittance email with any documents/instructions to attend the program abroad

### **Applying to ACA**

Non credit Path

Application Season for Summer 2026 and Academic Year 2026-2027 opens October 1, 2025 for non credit applicants

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Summer Academic Year: Early Academic Year: Fall Academic Year: Winter Academic Year: Spring May 20, 2026 May 20, 2026 July 17, 2026 November 13, 2026 February 12, 2027

### Non credit Applications

Professionals, graduate applicants and anyone who is interested in learning a language through ACA are also welcome to enroll in ACA programs through the noncredit path.

Learn the language of your choice, refresh a language you already speak and travel in our ACA programs by enrolling in our summer or academic year programs.

See detailed dates and prices on page 8 and at the ACA website. For flexible dates, please write to ACA and we will be happy to work with you in your individual journey.

Payment is available on the website.

Education is not something you can finish.

## How to Apply

### to an ACA program as a non credit applicant

- Create a new account at https://www.acastudyabroad.com/login/
- 2. Follow the instructions and get advice from ACA.
- **3.** Your application is complete only when you have made a first payment of the program. The rest of the payment must be fulfilled one month prior to departure.



### **ACA Campus Coordinators**

Your ACA Campus Coordinator is looking forward to hearing from you.



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The following are samples of courses offered through ACA Argentina:

The Argentinian culture is very welcoming so you won't feel left out. All of the trips were amazing and fun and the staff are very friendly.

—ACA Student 2024-2025

#### **LANGUAGE COURSES**

Spanish for False Beginners Intermediate Spanish Advanced Spanish Spanish for Heritage Speakers

#### **ELECTIVES**

Geography of Latin America Folklore of Argentina Latin American Literature Current Events in South America Translation and Interpretation

**MICRO-INTERNSHIPS** ESL Translation Multimedia Primary School Teacher's Aid **CULTURAL TOURS** 1. Buenos Aires 2. Peru 3. Iquazu Falls 4. Bariloche Web: https://uap.edu.ar/carrera/aca/ Instagram: @aca.uap Adriana Oudri **Program Director** adriana.oudri@uap.edu.ar



### **Summer Program Available.**

The following are samples of courses offered through ACA Austria:

#### **LANGUAGE COURSES**

Beginning German Intermediate German

#### **ELECTIVES**

Survey of Literature for Advanced German European Civilization I & II Chamber Orchestra & Choir

#### **MICRO-INTERNSHIPS**

Elementary Education

#### **CULTURAL TOURS**

- 1. Salzburg-Vienna
- 2. Austrian Alps
- 3. Hallstat
- 4. Munich
- 5. Berlin

Web: www.bogenhofen.at/en/sprachinstitut Instagram: @languageinstitutebogenhofen

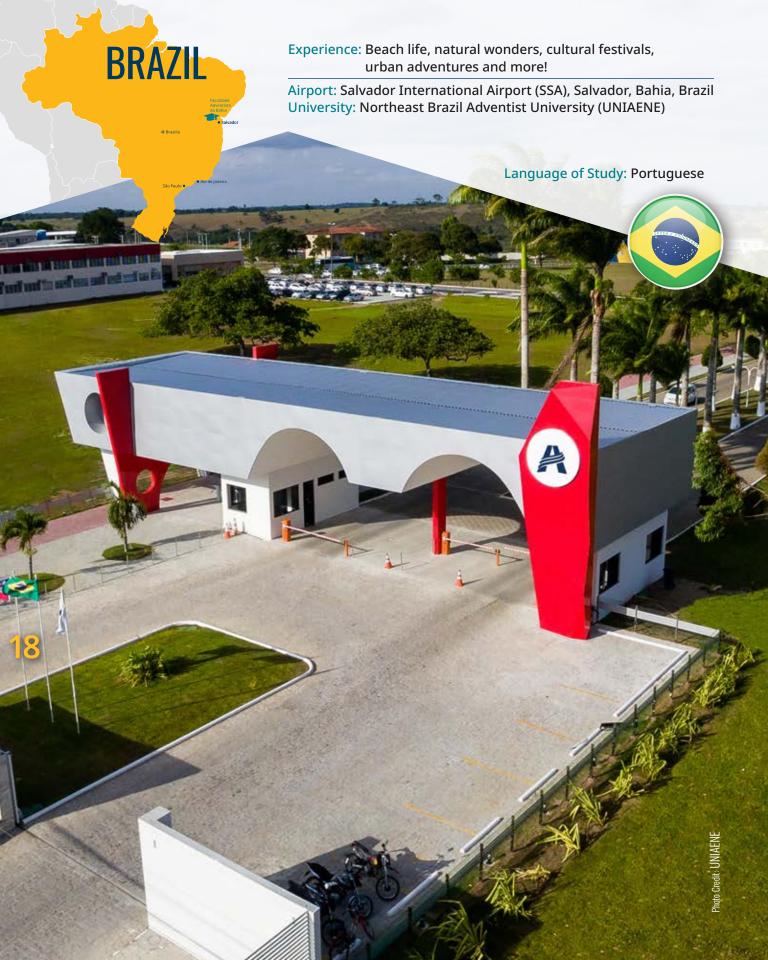


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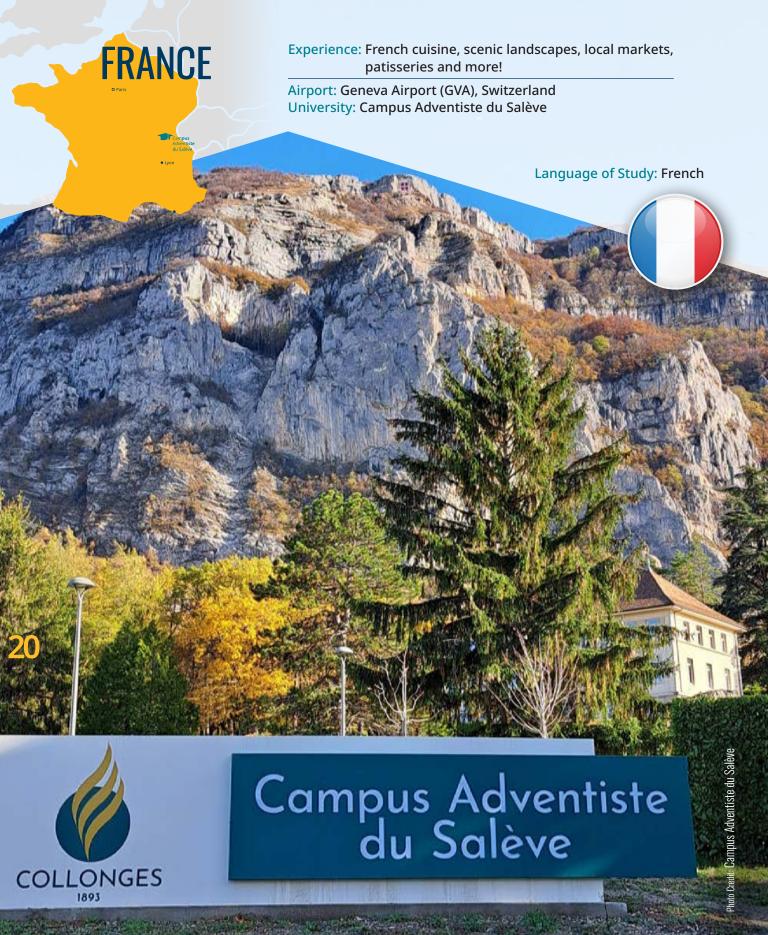
Teachers in Bogenhofen were helpful and easy to work with and the language course students were mostly integrated into the school life as much as any other local student.

—ACA Student, 2024-2025









### **Summer Program Available.**

The following are samples of courses offered through ACA France:

#### LANGUAGE COURSES

Beginning French Intermediate French Advanced French

#### **ELECTIVES**

French for Health Professionals **International Organizations** 

What I highlight from my experience in France is the availability of the professors and staff. My dormitory deans are always reachable, listen and do everything in their power to help me. My professors are all always ready to guide me, help me with homework or anything, very friendly.

—ACA Student 2024-2025









### **Only Summer Program Available.**

The following are samples of courses offered through ACA South Korea:

#### LANGUAGE COURSES

Beginning Korean Intermediate Korean

#### **CULTURAL TOURS**

- 1. Jeju Island
- 2. Seoul
- 3. Lotte Tower
- 4. Kyungbok Palace
- 5. National Museum

I liked the buddy program because it helped us immerse ourselves a lot more with Korea and its people. We were able to make real connections with real people—people that were always willing to help us with the language or just to be a friend, which I think shows the effectiveness of the buddy program.

—ACA Student, Summer 2024

Web: https://syu.ac.kr/eng





### **Summer Program Available.**

The following are samples of courses offered through ACA Spain:

LANGUAGE COURSES

Spanish for False Beginners Intermediate Spanish Advanced Spanish Spanish for Heritage Speakers

#### **ELECTIVES**

Spain and its Culture **Business Spanish** History of Spanish Literature Spanish for Health Professionals Art

#### **MICRO-INTERNSHIPS**

Education Social Work **Physical Therapy** Media/Communication Youth Ministries Dentistry **Business Administration** 

#### **CULTURAL TOURS**

I would love to applaud the ESDES campus professors for being some of the best humans on the planet. All of them treat us like family and they treat us with respect. God's love shines through the teachers at ESDES.

—ACA Student 2024-2025

Photo Credit: Katelynn Byrd (SAU-Spain







### **Global Internships**

### ACA Launches a New Pathway for Learning and Growth

2026 welcomes a new area in ACA programs: Global Internships. Undergraduate students are invited to enjoy an international experience while developing their intercultural and professional skills. These internships serve as a bridge between academic learning and professional practice, enhancing students' employability and intercultural competence.

ACA global internship opportunities are offered in many countries around the world. Each internship lasts between 1–3 months. Most internships are conducted in English and Spanish, though learning and using the local language is strongly encouraged.

### **Internship Categories**

- Health & Medical Sciences
- Education & Language
- Communication, Media & the Arts
- Business, Innovation & Administration
- Engineering, Technology & Environment
- Mission & Special Projects

A complete list of available internships and host countries is published on the ACA website.

Over 8.2 million students seek internships annually, but only 3.6 million positions are available

- ACA Global Internships provide a competitive edge in an increasingly global workforce
- These internships combine mission, academic, and professional goals in one life-changing experience

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# Why Choose an ACA Global Internship?

Gain hands-on experience while living abroad

Join a global network of faith-driven professionals

56% of students with internships received job offers (vs. 36% without) — NACE, 2022

Stand out: 87% of employers prioritize graduates with global experience

Develop intercultural competence and adaptability

### How to Apply – Step by Step

- 1. Search for the Global Internship opportunity that best fits your resumé on the ACA website
- 2. Submit your application and upload your CV and a Letter of Interest
- 3. Wait for acceptance and invitation from the host institution
- 4. Log in to the ACA website and collect the needed signatures from your home university (allow approximately 2 weeks)
- 5. Your application is complete when your home university uploads the signature document to the ACA website
- 6. Once ACA confirms your placement with the host institution, purchase your plane ticket and prepare for your experience
- 7. After completing the internship and the ACA program evaluation, you will receive a Certificate of Completion for your home university to award credit

### **Academic Credit**

by your home institution,
not ACA. You must make
arrangements with your
university before participating.
ACA will only issue a certificate
of completion, which can
support your credit request.





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