Students Exchange Program - IME
2021/2022

The Institute of Mathematics and Statistics of the University of São Paulo (IME/USP) offers a number of exchange places for students from partner universities from all around the globe. You can apply for the international exchange programme if you are currently enrolled in your first year (or above) of study at a university that has an international exchange agreement with IME/USP.

IME/USP may also consider applications of students nominated by Study Abroad Advisors/Exchange Coordinators of non-partner universities. In this case, admission of students will be subject to the availability of places. Please contact your Study Abroad Advisor/Exchange Coordinator of your home university to discuss the application process. Please, see instructions for non-partner universities – USPFactSheet (Registration Guidelines).

How to apply

You need to contact your home university Student Exchange Coordinator for application information. To be eligible for an exchange place you need to be nominated by your home university. You will find further information for (non-)partner universities and applicants below.

Academic Calendar

1st Semester: from February to June (holidays in July)
2nd Semester: from August to December (holidays in January)

The full academic calendars are available at Mundus (menu on the left side).

Students Nomination

Study Abroad Advisors/Exchange Coordinators of partner universities must nominate students by sending an email to crint@ime.usp.br with a list of students for the given semester.
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**Students Application**

The student application must be officially signed, stamped and sent by the home university after students nominations to crint@ime.usp.br.

**Courses Requirements:** many courses at IME USP have curriculum requirements that need to be considered. To enroll students in the requested courses, a previous analysis will take into account the student’s Transcripts of Records and the Learning Agreement. A full list of courses can be found in the Undergraduate Course Catalog – IME Courses (unit: Instituto de Matemática e Estatística, choose a course and see the curriculum) – see the requirements.

**Required Documents:**

1) **Transcript of Records:** versions in English, Spanish and Portuguese are accepted. Otherwise, it must be sent along with a simple translation into Portuguese;
2) **Learning Agreement** signed and stamped by an academic who has the authority to approve the mobility programme of outbound students (Learning Agreements), to exceptionally amend them when it is needed, as well as to guarantee full recognition of such programmes on behalf of the responsible academic body;
3) **Passport** (bio-date page). It must be valid for the period of exchange at USP;
4) **Photo** in “.jpg” format (50Kb at the largest);
5) **Recommendation letter** (optional) issued by an academic authority at the home university (in Portuguese, English or Spanish). A one or two-page letter on which the academic explains his/her relationship with the student and recommends their admission.

**Language Requirements:** Most classes at USP are taught only in Portuguese. Therefore, the student must have a good command of Portuguese (at least B1 level according to the CEFR) in order to attend classes. No specific certificate of language proficiency is required.

**Tuition fees:** The Institute of Mathematics and Statistics of the University of São Paulo is a public state institution that welcomes exchange students at no cost, except for a few short summer, winter
and extension courses (refresher, diffusion, specialization, professionalizing, extension, etc) that are either free of charge or offered at reduced fees.

**Deadlines:**

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*After your application:* The IME USP will send the acceptance letter directly to the address informed by the Study Abroad Advisor/Exchange Coordinator, who will also receive a copy of the letter by email.

**Visa Information and Medical Insurance**

If accepted for an exchange period at IME/USP, the student will receive an Acceptance Letter directly from the relevant Faculty/School/Institute. Providing the original document at the Brazilian diplomatic representation PT, EN or ES in their home country is a mandatory step for students to request the appropriate Student Visa (VITEM IV). **IME/USP is not allowed to enroll students holding a tourist visa!**

The student will also have to provide evidence of medical insurance or appropriate and valid travel medical insurance policy for registration upon arrival. Students must purchase their Health/Travel Insurance in their countries of origin before traveling to Brazil (this must cover the entirety of the stay in Brazil). International students will have access to the Brazilian Public Health System only in emergency cases. Additional information about health and vaccines requirements by Brazilian states and cities: [https://visitbrasil.com/](https://visitbrasil.com/).

Immediately upon arrival, the student should provide the Local International Office with copies of their medical insurance or appropriate and valid travel medical insurance policy as well as of the visa so as to confirm their attendance in person and collect their personal University Card.
National Foreign Registry

The former National Foreign Registry (*Registro Nacional de Estrangeiro – RNE*), the long-term identity document issued after Federal Police registration, has been renamed *Carteira de Registro Nacional Migratório* (CRNM). Visitors will be required to register with the Brazilian Federal Police office within 90 days upon arrival and apply for a CNRM. For further information, please contact the [Local International Office](#) operating at your host school.

Mobility Team at Institute of Mathematics and Statistics

For more information about the exchange at IME USP, please contact the person at IME USP in charge of the exchange programme with your home university:

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