

Fact Sheet

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THE UNIVERSITY OF SÃO PAULO MEDICAL SCHOOL

The University of São Paulo Medical School (FMUSP) is recognized as the leading medical school in Brazil and a major reference in Latin America. Nationally, FMUSP plays a central role in medical education, research, and advanced healthcare. Internationally, it ranks among the world's top institutions, placing 43rd in the QS 2026 by Subject and 81st in the THE 2026 by Subject rankings. These results reflect FMUSP's strong academic reputation and scientific impact. FMUSP also has a significant influence on public health, innovation, and the training of medical leaders in Brazil and worldwide.

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OUR EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Students in the final years of their Medical, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy or Medical Physics courses can take part in clinical rotations, attend regular courses, and/or join research projects on our campus. Clinical rotations are conducted at the Hospital das Clínicas, the largest hospital complex in Latin America, offering broad exposure to various health specialties and patient care. To apply, students must be enrolled at a foreign institution that has a valid exchange agreement with FMUSP.



GENERAL INFORMATION

Campus

All classes and clinical rotations take place at FMUSP's main campus, located in central São Paulo ([Maps](#)).

Eligibility

- Be enrolled in a partner foreign University;
- Be selected and nominated by his/her institution;
- Be in the final years of the home degree program.

Fees

USP is a public state Institution that receives exchange students at **no cost**.

Language Requirements

- Regular Medical Internship (6 months), Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, and Physical Therapy: **Portuguese proficiency at B1 level** or higher is required.
- Medical Electives: **English proficiency at B2 level** is required.



Calendar

The academic year at FMUSP is structured as follows:

- Semester 1: January to June
- Semester 2: August to December

Application periods (in the previous semester):

- Semester 1: from August 1 to September 15
 - Semester 2: from February 1 to March 15
- The nomination period ends one week before the end of each corresponding application period.

Courses Available

FMUSP offers 5 undergraduate courses: Medicine (Full Internship or short electives), Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy and Medical Physics. Check out below the requirements for each of the courses and the available exchange opportunities:

<https://www.fm.usp.br/en/international-students/find-your-course>

Students' Benefits

Restaurants: All exchange students have access to the university restaurants (RS 2,00 per meal)

Athletic Center: students have free access to FMUSP's sports facilities.

iFriends: a mentoring and buddy program in which each exchange student is paired with a local student to help them integrate and enjoy social life on campus and in the city.

Accommodation: FMUSP does not provide free housing for international students; however, on-campus accommodation is available for this group. Information on fees and further details can be found on the website: <https://www.fm.usp.br/en/accommodation/accommodation>

How to Apply

The undergraduate exchange application is fully online through our system called Mundus.

1. The home institution must first send a nomination by e-mail to douglas.bartholomeu@fm.usp.br, including the student's name, e-mail address, intended exchange period, and the institution's address.

2. After being nominated, the student will receive a link to the Mundus platform and instructions to complete the application, including personal information, course selection, and document upload.

3. Applications are reviewed by the FMUSP International Office and then evaluated by the Undergraduate Commission after the deadline, with results usually issued within about 30 days.

4. If accepted, the student and the home institution will be notified by e-mail and an acceptance letter will be sent.

Please note that elective availability cannot be guaranteed and depends on FMUSP capacity and approval by the relevant department(s).

Check these and further details on the official program website:

<https://fm.usp.br/en/undergraduate/bilateral-exchange-students>