Exchange Program with Universidad de Montevideo in Montevideo, Uruguay

Montevideo combines cosmopolitan charm with the pleasant ambience of a city built to human scale. During the 2021-2022 academic year, no Minnesota Law students participated in the semester exchange.

Summary of Course Offerings
Contact the Minnesota Law international programs office for current course offerings in English.

Semester Dates
Please note that the seasons are reversed because Uruguay is in the Southern Hemisphere. Students should plan to arrive the weekend before orientation either semester.

Semester 1: early March through early August
Semester 2: early August through the end of December

Language of instruction
Spanish; some courses offered in English during semester 2. Must pass a Spanish proficiency test before classes start.

Courses/Credits/Grades
Minimum enrollment is 18 UM credits per semester; 1 Montevideo credit is equivalent to 10 class hours
1 Montevideo credit = 1.2 ECTS credits and 2 ECTS credits = 1 Minnesota credit;
Maximum of 15 Minnesota Law credits may be transferred
Example: a 9-credit Montevideo course = 10.8 ECTS credits = 5.4 Minnesota credits

Registration
Nominated students will be given access to the UM website to view courses and register.

Minnesota Law Enrollment
Register for 12-15 credits worth of classes at Minnesota Law as usual for the term you will be away. Before leaving for your semester abroad, contact the Law School registrar at lawreg@umn.edu to convert your credits to Off-campus Legal Studies.

Housing
The University of Montevideo has no on-campus housing. Students can live in student residences or rent apartments within a range of prices. The International Affairs Office assists students with accommodation information.

Financial Aid and Tuition Payment
Financial aid will remain in effect for the semester you are abroad. Please make arrangements to have the balance (after tuition is deducted) sent to you if disbursement occurs after you have departed the U.S.
Insurance
CISI health insurance is required and will cover you while you are outside of the country. Complete the [U of M’s travel registration](#) which includes CISI coverage. Once you have signed up, you will receive proof of insurance.

**U of M student health coverage** for the semester is about $1,000.00. It is highly recommended in the event you need to return home for any reason prior to the end of the semester. This expense has not been included in the estimated budget.

Travel Documents
You must have a valid passport to travel abroad. If you do not have a passport, please apply immediately. Visit the [UM Travel information & visas website](#) for Uruguayan visa details.

Cancellation Policy

**Student Cancellation Due to Program Changes**  
In the event that course offerings for exchange students are changed so as to offer no comparable program of study, or changes in other significant aspects of the program occur, you are entitled to a full refund of any and all tuition and fees paid should you find the program as altered unsuitable to your goals.

State Department Advisories
The most current Consular Information Sheet on is available on the internet at [http://travel.state.gov/](http://travel.state.gov/) In the event the U.S. State Department issues any information or warning about current events which would impact your safety, or the stability in the geographic region, you will be notified via your U of M email account and telephone prior to your departure. If, based upon the information conveyed to you, you wish to cancel your enrollment in the program, you will receive a full refund of any and all tuition and fees paid.

Cancellation of Program by University of Minnesota Law School  
The University of Minnesota Law School reserves the right to cancel this program within six weeks prior to the start of classes for the semester in which you intend to enroll. The Law School has never exercised this option and cancellation is not expected to occur this year. In the event of cancellation, however, arrangements will be made to permit you to enroll in courses offered at the University of Minnesota Law School.

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Accessibility
For information regarding Montevideo’s accessibility to individuals with disabilities, please contact the International Affairs office at University of Montevideo at internacional@um.edu.uy.

Estimated Costs for One Semester in Montevideo, 2022-23

Estimated cost of living per month in US Dollars
Accommodation $500-700
Food $400
Local transportation $150
Books & supplies $80
TOTAL $1,130 – 1,330/month

Fees and Resident* Tuition – U of M Law School (for 2021-22) $23,320

Estimated average living expenses for five months 6,150
Mandatory CISI health coverage for five months** 240

ESTIMATED TOTAL: $29,950

NOTES: No estimate for round trip air travel is included in this proposed budget. University of Minnesota student health coverage is not included in this proposed budget.

# All estimates associated with living expenses are based on information provided by the institution the student will be visiting

* Non-resident tuition and fees total $27,808 for one semester

** The University of Minnesota requires any student spending a semester abroad to purchase this coverage