



UH & Sol Education Abroad
Special Programs (3 weeks) 2014 - HEREDIA, COSTA RICA

The **University of Houston (UH)** and **Sol Education Abroad** (affiliated provider) offer a unique intensive language and cultural learning experience in **Heredia, Costa Rica** at the Universidad Latina (ULatina). During this immersion, students may take Spanish courses in the *Beginning* (1000), *Intermediate* (2000) and *Advanced* (3000) levels.

UH Special Programs are offered 6 times a year:

	SUMMER sessions	WINTER BREAK
Dates - 2014	May 10 - May 31 May 31 - Jun 21 Jun 21 - Jul 12 Jul 12 - Aug 2 Aug 2 - Aug 23	Dec 26, 2013 - Jan 11, 2014 Jan 11 - Feb 1, 2014
Number of Classes	1	1
Classes Available	1501, 1502, 2301, 2302 OR Adv. Span	1501, 1502, 2301, 2302 OR Adv. Span
Credits to Transfer	3-5	3-5
Total Cost (US)	\$3,245 = \$3,395 minus scholarship of \$150	\$2,995 = \$3,145 minus scholarship of \$150

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Please contact **Maria Saldaña** <mjsaldana@uh.edu>, advisor at the Office of International Studies and Programs (OISP) to get further details and complete necessary paperwork.

PROGRAM COST INCLUDES:

Tuition at host university (includes books & fees), room & board with host family, 3 meals a day, laundry, full weekend excursions (2), cultural activities (2 to 3 per week), international medical insurance, welcome & farewell event, onsite orientation, airport transfers, transcript, 24/7 onsite director support. *Not included in the above price: round trip airfare and personal spending money.*

PAYMENTS:

- **\$150** program deposit is due when you apply online with Sol Education Abroad. The deposit is applied towards your program price and IS NOT an additional fee. You can pay online by check (at NO CHARGE to you) or pay by credit card (where you pay a small processing fee): <http://www.soleducation.com/payonline>
- Final Payment is due to Sol Education Abroad, also payable online.

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COURSES OFFERED:

SPANISH LANGUAGE CLASSES

- Beginning:** ♦ SPAN 1501 Elementary Spanish I
♦ SPAN 1502 Elementary Spanish II
- Intermediate:** ♦ SPAN 2301 Intermediate Spanish I
♦ SPAN 2302 Intermediate Spanish II

Advanced (year-round):

- ♦ SPAN 3301 Oral Communication
- ♦ SPAN 3302 Written Communication
- ♦ SPAN 3305 Spanish Grammar Review

Advanced (summer only):

- ♦ SPAN 3394 Selected Topics in:
Latin American Literature
Latin American Civilization & Culture

PROGRAM OVERVIEW:

Learn Spanish in one of the most beautiful countries in the world . . . ¡Costa Rica! Explore the verdant cloud forests and tropical coastlines of the Central American country while immersing yourself in the Spanish language and culture.

ACADEMIC OVERVIEW:

The Universidad Latina (ULatina), located in Heredia, Costa Rica, is a private university fully accredited by the Costa Rican government. The Heredia location was founded in 1986 with a focus on Business Administration. Today the university has a full range of degrees for students from across Central America and other parts of the world. The ULatina is located on a spacious campus set amongst pine trees. Green space abounds for studying outside or for intramural sports. First-rate academics combined with a beautiful locale make the ULatina a world-class location for study abroad.

EXCURSIONS – you will do 2 to 3 of the following (*all-inclusive, see website for details & photos*):

- ♦ Pacific Beach Trip (Manuel Antonio National Park)
- ♦ Arenal Volcano, Hot Springs, Rain Forest Zipline, & La Fortuna Waterfall
- ♦ White-Water Rafting
- ♦ Poás Volcano Hike & La Paz Waterfall
- ♦ San José City Tour

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES SUCH AS (*all-inclusive, see website for details & photos*):

- ♦ Salsa & Merengue Dance Class
- ♦ Hiking in Costa Rica
- ♦ Yoga Class
- ♦ Market Day
- ♦ Festivals
- ♦ Museum Visits
- ♦ Theater Night
- ♦ Traditional Cooking Class
- ♦ Heredia City Tour

APPLICATION PROCESS:

- a) Complete **SoI Education Abroad's** online application at www.soleducation.com/apply
- b) Complete **OISP's** online application at www.uh.edu/studyabroad/application/initial.php
(Take a printout to OISP of the online application on your first office visit)
- c) Schedule an appointment with Maria Saldaña by email mjsaldana@uh.edu or by calling 713-743-9206. During your appointment, OISP will inform you of any other documents needed and deadlines.
- d) Download the Course Equivalency Form from the OISP website. You must complete this form and take it to the Hispanic Studies Dept. (Agnes Arnold Hall Room 416) for advisor approval. Return the form to the OISP office after it is signed (501 E. Cullen Bldg., Room 501 F).