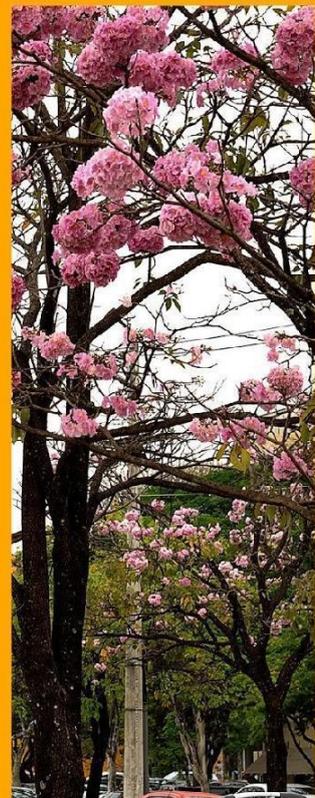


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Introduction

Welcome to Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais (UFMG) and its Summer School on Brazilian Studies.

We have prepared this guide in order to help you throughout the course. Over two weeks of July, you will join academic activities and will be a part of this institution. We feel very honored by the decision you have made to study at UFMG and henceforth we put ourselves at your disposal to grant the technical and administrative support necessary.

Here you will find tips that will help you before, during and after your stay at the university. From the moment you have decided to participate in our Summer School program, many questions might have emerged. Be sure you can count on our team. We are sending directions for you to get to know a little more about UFMG and to have important basic information of the course. Therefore, whenever you need, use this guide or feel free to contact us.



Universidade Federal de Minas

Gerais - UFMG

UFMG hosts international students on 91 undergraduate courses and 159 graduate programs (master's and doctorate degrees) and has much to offer for your academic, professional and citizen formation.

Our institution is acknowledged as displaying a high degree of excellence in teaching, research and extra-mural activities. Most of these activities are developed in our four campuses: Pampulha Campus, Health Campus, both in Belo Horizonte, Montes Claros Regional Campus, and UFMG Cultural Campus in the city of Tiradentes.

Most UFMG Academic Units (Schools, Faculties and Institutes) are located at Pampulha Campus. It comprises a wide green area of almost 9 million square meters, situated near the Mineirão Stadium, the Pampulha Lake and the Pampulha Architectonic Complex. The Pampulha Campus map can be found at:

<https://www.ufmg.br/viverufmg/conheca-a-ufmg/campi/>

The Health Campus is located at the hospital region of Belo Horizonte, by the city center, where there are the Medicine Faculty and the Nursing School, and also the Hospital das Clínicas (Clinical Hospital), one of Brazil's most important hospitals. Also located downtown, nearby the hospital region, there are the Architecture School and the Faculty of Law. Finally, at Montes Claros Regional Campus, in the northern part of the state of Minas Gerais, there is the Agrarian Sciences Institute.



The Office of International Affairs

The Office of International Affairs (Diretoria de Relações Internacionais - DRI) of UFMG is an articulator for international academic and scientific relations, responsible for implementing and monitoring projects and inter-university agreements.

Its mission is to position UFMG in the international arena, in order to strengthen the interaction with institutions abroad, ensuring the cosmopolitanism of academic activities, while it is also concerned with handling and mediating relationships between UFMG and other universities abroad. DRI has added strategic efforts aimed at inducing internationalization, working on creating programs and projects that facilitate the international cooperation in the various segments of UFMG.

Students and professors have participated in academic programs, international agreements and exchanges. Currently, DRI manages agreements with numerous universities from different countries and welcomes every year hundreds of students and a large number of foreign universities missions, among other activities. By means of our Office of International Affairs, UFMG integrates an important consortium of academic and scientific cooperation with countries in Asia, Africa, Latin America, North America, Oceania and Europe, with the aim of developing mutual cooperation in the areas of new technologies, teaching, research and extra-mural activities.

Areas of expertise:

- Building quality partnerships with foreign institutions;
- Implementing and monitoring agreements and international inter-university programs;
- Managing academic exchange incoming, as well as outgoing, programs;
- Promoting international academic opportunities with internal and external communities;
- Conducting missions in foreign institutions of higher education and research;
- Receptioning international missions.

Summer School on Brazilian Studies

UFMG Summer School on Brazilian Studies (SSBS) aims at giving students from all over the world an overall understanding of key aspects of Brazil from distinct perspectives.

The instructors are UFMG professors, a leading Brazilian university, recently ranked 5th for best higher education institutions in Latin America by Britain's Times Higher Education. Classes will take place at UFMG's main campus - *Pampulha Campus* - in Belo Horizonte.

Over the course of two weeks of intense learning and sharing, classes will cover the underpinnings of Brazilian politics, history, foreign relations, geology, law, economy, arts, culture and race. In the afternoons, there will be classes of Portuguese language.

Access our webpage <https://www.ufmg.br/summerschool/> and our social media <https://www.instagram.com/ufmgssbs/> <https://twitter.com/ufmgssbs>

Important announcements and directions will be posted in our website under the tab "Participant Area", you will receive an email with access information in due time.

Lectures and Sessions

Lectures on Brazilian Studies will take place at FACE - Faculdade de Ciências Econômicas - and the Portuguese classes at FALE - Faculdade de Letras. Specific room numbers will be provided in due time. A WhatsApp group will be created specifically for that matter, and we will also exchange emails and will be available at social media accounts whenever necessary. Staff will also be available at the UFMG Office of International Affairs - Diretoria de Relações Internacionais (DRI/UFMG) - located at the President's Building.

Lectures on selected topics will go from **9:00am to 12:00pm**, and Portuguese classes from **1:30pm to 4:00pm BRT (UTC-3)**. There will be four extra activities: a visit to *Instituto Inhotim*, which is a contemporary art museum and botanical garden, a field trip to Tiradentes - a historical city close to Belo Horizonte, a Movie Club - when we will have a discussion about a Brazilian film, and a Luau - a typical Brazilian get together.

Some of the sessions will be made available on our YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/c/DRIUFMGGoesGlobal>.

Assessment and Evaluation

Students will be evaluated throughout the program in different formats. More information will be given in due course.

You will be required to fill out a feedback form at the end of the course, which will also be part of your assessment, and it will be a requirement for obtaining the certificate and credits.

Cultural Activities

UFMG Summer School on Brazilian Studies (SSBS) will hold four cultural activities, namely the Movie Club, the visit to the Instituto Inhotim, the field trip to Tiradentes and the Luau.

In this edition, for the Movie Club, the selected work was *Marte 1* (“Mars 1” - 2022).

Another cultural activity offered will be a visit to the Instituto Inhotim, which is a contemporary art museum and botanical garden, located in Brumadinho (MG), about 60 km from Belo Horizonte. During the visit, students will have the privilege of getting to know the lush landscapes and will have a unique experience that mixes art and nature. <https://www.inhotim.org.br/en/>

At the weekend, we will head to Campus Tiradentes where we will be able to enjoy this cosy historical town, its fine gastronomy and also the Campus.

And finally, there will be the Luau, which is a typical Brazilian party in which people take turns singing, interpreting, dancing, reciting poetry, etc. The highlight for the SSBS Cultural Luau is that the students participating in the course will be the stars, provided they are willing to. Prepare your presentations and have fun with your colleagues!

Medical care, health insurance and SUS

UFMG requires international students to have a health insurance so that they are fully covered in case of emergency. The health insurance must cover accidents, diseases and repatriation within the Brazilian territory. We recommend, therefore, that the student makes sure of coverage of the insurance in Belo Horizonte - Minas Gerais - Brazil. It is the student's responsibility to contract a health insurance of their choice that best meets their needs.

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In Belo Horizonte there is also public medical care through the SUS (Sistema Único de Saúde). Some public hospitals and medical units may attend, with no charge of fees or taxes, foreigners during their mobility. Here are some of the public health units you can refer to in case of emergency:

Public Hospitals:

- **Hospital das Clínicas (UFMG Hospital)** - Av. Professor Alfredo Balena, 110 - Centro. Telephone: +55 31 32649322, +55 31 32849300 and +55 31 32849323.
- **Pronto-Socorro João XXIII** – Av. Professor Alfredo Balena, 400 - Centro. Telephones: +55 31 32399200 and +55 31 32399250.

Private Hospital:

There is also an option near UFMG of a private hospital where you can find care in various medical specialties. Note that the medical care in this hospital generates charges and fees:

- **Hospital Belo Horizonte** - Pampulha Region, near UFMG. Av. Antonio Carlos, 1694. Telephone: +55 31 34497000.

Public Emergency Care Units (UPA):

- **South-central region** - Rua Domingos Vieira, 488, Santa Efigênia. Telephone: +55 31 32385900.
- **Pampulha region** - Av. Santa Terezinha, 515, Santa Terezinha. Telephone: +55 31 32778441, +55 31 32778435, +55 31 32773447.

Documents and Money

Passport and Visa

Check if your passport is valid throughout the period you are staying in Brazil. Be sure to verify if you need any specific visa, as some countries may require previous appointments with the nearest Brazilian consulate to issue you a visa and will inform you of any needed documents. Access the nearest consulate web page or go to any consulates in your country of origin to have specific information on that matter.

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Money

It is recommended that you bring part of your money in cash - Reais, US Dollars or Euros - because the majority of the taxes for issuing documents cannot be paid through credit or debit cards. It is also important to note that foreign currencies other than US Dollars and Euros are hard to be exchanged in Belo Horizonte.

The money can be exchanged at the airports, some specific ATMs according to your card flag (via cash withdrawal), money exchange places in the city and at Banco do Brasil, which works from 10:00am to 4:00pm and has many agencies in Belo Horizonte. We highly recommend that you exchange money EXCLUSIVELY at official venues as the ones mentioned above.

Tips on what to bring to Brazil

If you are staying at the Student Housing (Moradia Universitária), beddings and towels are not provided. However, there is a rental service (price: R\$35,00) for towels and bed sheets. If you are staying at other places (dorms, hostels, guest houses, etc.) make sure you ask about the availability of beddings and towels.

You may bring your own laptops and mobile devices, including chargers and plug adapters, having in mind that most plugs in Belo Horizonte are 110v.

You need to bring any prescribed or specific medicine and their medical prescriptions. Items for daily use might not be of the same brand as in your country of origin, so we advise you to bring your preferred painkillers, thermometers, medicine for cramps and nausea, throat pellets, antacids, nasal decongestants, anti-inflammatories, eye drops, etc. Sunscreens and lip balms are also recommended, so if you are used to a specific brand, you should bring your own.

Bring eyeglasses or contact lenses and their respective prescriptions in case of having to make new ones.

Make sure your mobile phone is available to be used outside your country of origin, and more specifically if it can be used in Brazil.

Remember to bring the itinerary of your flight and your tickets and boarding passes printed, so as to prevent any possible problems during immigration procedures or at the airport.

Close to Moradia Universitária there are supermarkets, pharmacies, postal services, bakeries and many other services you can use if needed.

Accommodation

University Housing

An accommodation service will be provided to the international student during the Summer School on Brazilian Studies 2023.

The rooms have two single beds arranged in a common environment, with a kitchen bench separating the bedroom from the kitchen which displays a table and chairs, stove, refrigerator and cabinets with utensils (plates, cutlery, glasses etc.). Each room is also equipped with a bathroom and a wardrobe. Additionally, there is enough space for you to wash and dry your clothes.

Once you arrive in Belo Horizonte, go straight to the Housing (check-in available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week). It will be necessary to show your ID so you can have the key to your room. Moradia Universitária Ouro Preto I is located on Avenida Fleming, 394 - Ouro Preto, Belo Horizonte - MG. Moradia Universitária Ouro Preto II is located at Avenida Fleming, 1000 - Bandeirantes (Pampulha), Belo Horizonte - MG.

After your check-in, you should go to the Administration Office so you can sign a covenant and receive the Housing ID so you can have access to our free transportation (Housing - Campus / Campus - Housing).

Mobile Phone

There are four big phone companies from which you can buy mobile phone simcard. The different services vary and prices depend on the services provided. It is important to emphasize that in order to buy a simcard it is necessary to have a CPF (Cadastro de Pessoa Física) number, which is a Brazilian document similar to a Social Security card. ([click here](#) to get information on how to obtain your CPF)

Transportation

In Belo Horizonte there are many options of transportation such as bus lines, taxi, metro, transportation apps (Uber, 99). Bus fare in Belo Horizonte is R\$4,50, the metro line ticket is R\$3,40. The price for taxi and transportation apps may vary as it depends on the distance and time of the ride.

Access to the Internet

It will be given access to wi-fi connection to all Summer School students both at FACE and at the Housing. Passwords will be provided upon your arrival.

You may also use Eduroam (Education Roaming) wi-fi connection all across UFMG campuses. It is a service developed for the education and research international community that allows the members of the participant institutions around the world to have internet connection inside campuses. Check if your institution is part of the community at: www.eduroam.org/

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Directions from the airport to the Housing (Moradia Universitária)

When arriving at Confins International Airport you will have different options to get to the Moradias Universitárias, the university housing, which are located approximately 36km (22.3miles) away from the airport.

One of the options to get to the Moradias Universitárias is the Conexão bus lines. Choosing this option you will find buses leaving from Confins International Airport every 30 minutes. You will have to ask for the option in which the bus passes through Avenida Antônio Carlos and also ask the bus driver to stop in front of the Pampulha Airport. From there you will have to take a taxi or an Uber (or any other transport app such as 99) to get to the Moradias Universitárias. Summer School students will be directed to two university housings. Moradia Universitária Ouro Preto I is located at Avenida Fleming, 394 - Ouro Preto, Belo Horizonte - MG. Moradia Universitária Ouro Preto II is located at Avenida Fleming, 1000 - Bandeirantes (Pampulha), Belo Horizonte - MG. The price of the bus leaving Confins, up to UFMG through Avenida Antonio Carlos, is R\$ 18,50 and it is always recommended to have some extra money as the prices may vary.

Another option to get to the Moradias Universitárias from the International Airport of Confins is by taking taxis, that are located in front of the airport. There are different options of taxi companies at the external area of the airport and the prices may vary from R\$ 100,00 to R\$ 120,00. It is important to emphasize that the price of the taxi rides is not fixed, it depends mainly on the distance and duration of the ride. Taxis should always be equipped with taximeters.

Private transportation is also available, which can be accessed by an application on a mobile phone, like Uber, Indrive and 99 Taxis, but it is recommended to use these services only if you are used to the services, as they charge different fares and a previous registration is required.

You can check the distance and the route between the Confins International Airport and the Moradia Universitária Ouro Preto I and II on the link below:

<https://goo.gl/maps/xYgRFffgk9WxGG5RA>

IMPORTANT: Note that the information about which housing the Summer School student will be hosted will be sent by email by the Summer School team shortly before your travel to Brazil.

Meals

Meals will be provided to all participants of the Summer School on Brazilian Studies 2023 according to the following orientations: From Monday to Friday the participants will be given access to the Restaurante Universitário, also known as Restaurante Setorial 1 and Restaurante Setorial 2, where the students will have lunch. Students will be given vouchers for breakfast and supper. During the field trip and museum visit breakfast, lunch and supper will NOT be provided by UFMG. In Tiradentes and Inhotim there will be restaurants with an average price of R\$ 40,00. On weekends UFMG will NOT provide meals.

In the housing structures there is a kitchen area where you can feel free to cook and prepare your own food. There are also markets and a supermarket close to the Moradias Universitárias. Also, in the surroundings, there are many supermarkets, restaurants and places to eat, specially on Avenida Fleming.

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