



Bachelor of Science in International Business

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is the difference between International Business and Ingeniería Comercial?

- 4 + 1: obtain the Bachelor of Science in International Business (BSIB) degree in four years. Study 2 semesters more and obtain the Ingeniería Comercial title.
- Bilingual program (courses in english and spanish).
- Study 1 semester (or year) in another country.
- Multicultural learning experiences.
- The BSIB is a degree recognized internationally, and allows you to work in another country, or study an MBA or another master's degree in Chile or abroad.

The BSIB graduate is bilingual, has ample knowledge in International Business management, and is well prepared to work in multinational companies, abroad or in local companies with close links to other companies in other countries.

2. What School offers the program?

The Bachelor of Science in International Business is offered by the School of Business & Economics of Universidad de los Andes.

3. How long is the program?

This is an 8-semester program in which you obtain the BSIB degree. Students can complete additional coursework for two more semesters and obtain the Ingeniería Comercial title.

4. What does it mean that International Business is oriented towards international businesses?

It means that, the fast-paced development of communication technologies has increased globalization, which in turn has fostered the internationalization of businesses. The latter through the development of multinational conglomerates, or through the interaction with companies in other countries. In this scenario, future professionals that see themselves working in an international environment require different skills and knowledge compared to those offered by traditional Ingeniería Comercial programs.

5. What is a bachelor's degree?

A bachelor's degree is the equivalent to a *licenciatura* in Chile and is obtained after studying 8 semesters. This degree allows graduates to continue studying master's programs in Chile or abroad. Graduates may also continue studying two more semesters and obtain the Ingeniería Comercial title.

6. What are the requisites to apply to the International Business programs?

Approve the English Language Test offered by the UANDES School of Business & Economics during the second semester.

Obtain a PAES weighted score of 600 points or more and an average PAES score of 610 points or more.



7. What does the application process look like?

There are two ways to apply to the program. Through the centralized admission managed by DEMRE, in which students take the PAES test. And through the special admission programs offered by Universidad de los Andes. In both cases applicants must take the English Language Test before applying.

8. How many seats are available in the International Business program?

The program has 85 seats available.

9. What is the enrollment cutoff score in the International Business program?

The program's cutoff score in the 2023 admission process was 814.3 points.

10. How many internships does International Business have?

The program considers two internships, a basic one and a professional one. The professional internship lasts for 6 months and may be completed at a company in another country or at a local company with international operations.

11. Which are the PAES loadings to apply to International Business?

- NEM:10%
- Ranking: 30%
- M1: 35%
- M2: 5%
- Reading Competence: 10%
- Science or History (optional): 10%

12. What English level do I need to study International Business?

To study International Business, you must demonstrate a B2 (CEFR) equivalent or superior English Language proficiency.

13. How can I demonstrate my English proficiency?

You can demonstrate your English proficiency by taking the test to be offered during the second semester of 2023. You can register to take the test at <https://forms.office.com/r/XHwdu2y63H> or sending an email to internationalbusiness@uandes.cl.

14. All courses in the International Business program are in English?

The program is bilingual. Approximately half of the courses are taught in English.

15. Is the faculty bilingual?

Yes. All faculty are bilingual.



16. Are there any scholarships or grants available?

You can check scholarships and grants offered by Universidad de los Andes at www.admision.uandes.cl/becas.

17. Is the international semester mandatory?

The international semester is part of the plan of study, and you'll have slots in one of our partner universities.

18. In which countries can I do the international semester?

Universidad de los Andes has partnerships with over 50 universities in 16 different countries, such as Germany, Australia, Austria, Brazil, Canada, Korea, United States, Philippines, France, India, Italy, Kenya, Poland, United Kingdom, Sweden, and Switzerland.

For more information on our partner universities visit www.uandes.cl/internacional/convenios-por-carrera/.

19. Can I move internally from Ingeniería Comercial to International Business?

Students admitted to Ingeniería Comercial UANDES may apply to International Business UANDES in the second semester of 2023, if they fulfill the following requirements:

- **Pass all courses during the 1st semester.**
- **Achieve a GPA of 5.0 or more.**
- **Pass the English Language Test that all new students of Ingeniería Comercial take in March.**

There are limited spaces, so not all applicants can be accepted.

Also, a special request must be presented to the Board of the UANDES School of Business & Economics.

20. If I have obtained the Bachelor of Science in International Business degree, can I also obtain the Ingeniería Comercial title?

Yes. You must complete additional coursework for two more semesters, totaling 10 semesters.

21. After obtaining the Bachelor of Science in International Business, can I take an MBA or other master's program?

Yes. The BSIB degree allows you to continue studying and MBA or other master's program in Chile or another country.

22. Is the Bachelor of Science in International Business an accredited program?

No. The program was offered for the first time in 2022. Also, under Chilean current accreditation rules, specific programs are not accredited. The UANDES School of Business & Economics is working to get the AACSB accreditation.



23. How much are yearly tuition and enrollment fees?

Enrollment fee is UF 16, approximately US\$ 800.

Yearly tuition is UF 218, approximately US\$ 9,700.

Enrollment fee and tuition are subject to change for the admission 2024 process.

24. Can I apply to International Business with my TOEFL, IELTS or other English Language Proficiency exam?

No. Only applicants that have taken the English Language Test provided by the UANDES School of Business & Economics may apply to the program.

25. How much does it cost to take the English Language Test?

Taking the English Language Test is free for students interested in applying to the BSIB program.

26. Can I take the English Language Test online?

The English Language Test must be taken in person at Universidad de los Andes. Students living in regions or abroad will be able to take the test online.

27. Can I take the English Language Test if I did not pass the first time?

Yes. You may take the test up to three times.

28. Where can I find the BSIB's Plan of Study?

The Study Plan is available online at admision.uandes.cl/carreras/area-ingenieria-y-administracion/international-business.