

FACTSHEET

INSTITUTIONAL DETAILS	
Name of the University	Universidade Federal do ABC (UFABC) Federal University of ABC (UFABC)
Address (for mail and courier)	UFABC - International Affairs Office Avenida dos Estados, 5001, Santa Teresinha. Santo André, São Paulo, Brazil. Zipcode 09280-560
University's web address	https://www.ufabc.edu.br/ https://en.ufabc.edu.br/
Key facts	Interdisciplinarity is a key concept at UFABC. It has been discussed since the second half of the last century, when a strong need for redeeming the integrity of knowledge led to this approach, which consists of combining efforts from a variety of disciplines to deal with any given problem. Founded in 2006, the University is one of the youngest Brazilian universities, and it was created to advance knowledge and innovation in its many fields of knowledge.
University Campuses	UFABC has two campi located in neighbor cities, 30 minutes apart from each other, the Campus of Santo Andre and the Campus of Sao Bernardo do Campo, and a bus service free of charge runs between both campus. For campus maps, please see our website .
Contact person for incoming exchange students to UFABC	Bruna Caroto Cano / Luciana Milena Incoming Mobility Officer Phone: +55 11 3356-7222 / +55 11 3356-7224 incoming@ufabc.edu.br

ACADEMIC AND GENERAL INFORMATION	
Programs	Undergraduate Programs Graduate Programs
Undergraduate Programs Grading System	A – Excellent B – Above average C – Fair D – Partially unsatisfying F – Fail O – Fail due to attendance (over 25% of absence)
Credits	For undergraduate subjects, each course has a "TPEI" code: T – weekly hours of theoretical classes; P – weekly hours of laboratory work, practical classes or exercise classes, carried out at the university; E – hours allocated to outreach activities; I – estimated number of hours of extra-class work per week

	necessary for good performance in the subject. The number of credits of an undergraduate subject equals the sum "T+P". Here at UFABC 1 credit is equivalent to 12 hours. <u>Example:</u> "Bases Matemáticas (Mathematical Foundations)" T-P-E-I: (4-0-0-5) • Credits that will be seen in the Transcript of Records: T + P → 4 + 0 = 4 • Total workload: credits x 12 → 4 x 12 = 48 hours • Individual study workload: I x 12 → 5 x 12 = 60 hours (although the number of credits for individual study appears in the course syllabus, it is not included in UFABC's transcript of records). • There are no credits provided for outreach activities for the subject "Bases Matemáticas" (E). Note: There is no direct equivalence between UFABC's credits and the ECTS.
Tuition and Fees	UFABC is a public university funded by the Federal Government of Brazil, free of any charges for all study levels.
Language Requirements	No specific proof of language test is required, but the Home Institution must issue a statement attesting the student has a good command of English, equivalent to B2. The same command of Portuguese language is also required if the student intends to enroll in Portuguese-taught courses, which are the majority offered.
Academic Calendar and Periods.	UFABC is divided in three terms per year: 1st term: February to April. 2nd term: mid-May to August. 3rd term: September to December. Consult the undergraduate and graduate academic calendar.
Course Catalogue	The courses catalogue usually updates 60 days before the start of the upcoming quarter. Students may have to submit their application based on the previous year's catalogue and it may not be possible to guarantee that all courses shown for the previous quarter will be running in their current quarter of study. Most courses are offered in Portuguese, and courses offered in English will be informed on the same catalogue. Access the undergraduate previous catalogue courses offered at UFABC .
Accommodation	UFABC does not provide student housing, however we suggest some options for websites for search: - Facebook Groups: "Morar UFABC" & "Repúblicas UFABC"; - Airbnb; - Roomgo; - Webquarto website (for single rooms); - Hostels: there are no certified hostels in Santo André or São Bernardo do Campo, but there are plenty in São Paulo close to

	subway, which makes it easy to reach Santo André by train. We suggest either one of two hostels that are part of Hostelling International. One of them is Praça da Árvore Hostel, close to Praça da Árvore subway station. You can make reservations on their website (in English). The other one is Pousada dos franceses, close to Avenida Paulista, and you can make reservations on their website (in English) and find more information about it.
Study Visa	The visa must be obtained BEFORE the student's entrance in Brazil at any Brazilian consulate. All the students must get a special type of visa called TEMPORARY VISA ITEM IV to be able to enter in Brazil. The Brazilian Consulate within your area of jurisdiction will require you to fill out a visa application form to obtain a student visa type IV. After you apply for your student visa and receive it, do not forget to bring your original and copy of the approved visa application form and your original birth certificate with you to Brazil. You will need it to register your visa at the Federal Police Department within 90 days of your arrival (be aware that this period starts to count from the date of your arrival in Brazil, and not the beginning classes date). To apply for the visa, students might be required to provide proof of sufficient funds for their stay in Brazil. The Brazilian government does not request proof of a specific amount of money. Foreign researchers must apply for and obtain a Type I visa in order to carry out postdoctoral activities in Brazil.
Cost of living	The expected cost of living in the ABC region is between USD400 and USD600 per month, depending on the type of accommodation and life style.

APPLICATION	
Application Procedure	Undergraduate students must fill in our application form and submit it at the university's international office or responsible department for stamp and signature. The form must be forwarded to incoming@ufabc.edu.br along with the copy of passport, student transcript of records, and a copy of the International Travel / Health Insurance policy, according to specific requirements (please visit our website for further information). Graduate students must have a supervisor at UFABC who will be responsible for the required documentation . For more information, please visit the Office for Graduate Studies website .
Application Deadline*	For 1st quarter: up to November 20th For 2nd quarter: up to February 20th; For 3rd quarter: up to June 10th; *Postponements can be agreed depending on the possibilities and needs of both universities.

Nominations	Decision on admission of nominated students will be sent within 15 days after Application deadline. Students will be provided with an Acceptance Letter in order to apply for a study visa.
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UPCOMING COURSE OFFERINGS IN ENGLISH (2026)

Offer subject to change or cancellation.

Undergraduate Courses

First Quarter (February – April)	• Aeronautics I-B • Brazilian Economy II • Contemporary Theories of International Relations I • Regional Integration – Theories and Experiences • U.S. Foreign Policy I
Second quarter (June-August)	• Advanced Topics in Socioeconomic Development • Economic Formation of Brazil
Third quarter (September – December)	• Aircraft Design I • Computational Fluid Dynamics • Computer Architecture • Computer Networks • Data Mining • Introduction to Astronautics • Network and Systems Performance Evaluation • Socioeconomic Development

Graduate Courses

First Quarter (February – April)	• Metropolitan Sustainable Development in the Global South: Environment, Economy and Social Development in Latin American Metropolitan Areas (*) • Planning, Governance and Public Policies – Theories and Their Application in Brazilian Metropolitan Regions (*) • Seminars in Environmental Science and Technology I • Symbolic Regression
Second quarter (June-August)	• Foundations of Systems Engineering (**)
Third quarter (September – December)	• Analytical perspectives on Public Policies (*) • Methods and Techniques in Territorial Planning and Management (*)

(*) These courses are part of the SPRING Thematic Strategic Master's Program (METS) at the Federal University of ABC, offered as a joint degree between the UFABC Master's Programs in Territorial Planning & Management, and in Public Policy; and TU Dortmund School of Spatial Planning.

(**) This course is part of the Master's Degree in Innovation Engineering and Management. The number of courses offered in English may vary and is determined by the respective program coordinators.