

University Studies Abroad Consortium
Proposed Catalog Changes
New Site

MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY

- Why new sites?
 - USAC was looking for a new site in South America and looked toward Argentina but found it didn't suit their interests and needs. One of the Resident Directors in Costa Rica is originally from Uruguay and they found Uruguay to be an ideal and supportive venue in the Rio de la Plata region (many similarities to Argentina). USAC opted to locate the new program in Uruguay due to its safety, political, financial, and economic stability.

- Academic focus
 - Spanish & Latin American Studies
 - Viticulture and Agribusiness

- Why Montevideo?
 - "Known as "The Switzerland of South America" for its peaceful culture, Uruguay is nestled between South America's two titans, Argentina and Brazil. The capital, Montevideo, is quickly becoming a travel destination for its thriving cultural scene including rich architecture, sandy beaches, plazas, shops, museums, and restaurants. Known as one of the "coolest" and "most chilled-out" cities, Montevideo reflects the casual attitude that Uruguayans take towards life. Its location makes it convenient to travel to nearby regions such as Buenos Aires and Brazil, and provides a variety of opportunities for day trips around the country.
 - In 2013 The Economist named Uruguay the "country of the year" for its social development and high ranking for personal rights, tolerance, and inclusion issues. The quality of life in Uruguay is among the highest in Latin America. Add to that a consistent subtropical climate with temperatures ranging from 42-50° F in winter and 62-73° C in summer in Montevideo, and you have yourself an ideal place to study abroad in South America.

Further details on the program are available at: <https://usac.edu/study-abroad-programs/uruguay/montevideo>