



INTERNATIONAL CLUB UVM

What is the UVM International Club?

The UVM International Club is a program created by the International Cooperation Direction that aims to create spaces to contribute to the integration and cultural immersion between international students and regular UVM students.

What is its objective?

To achieve the connection between regular UVM students and international students who come to complete part of their studies at our institution, strengthening "internationalization at home," creating contact networks, promoting interculturalism, and learning values such as respect for diversity, among other distinctive elements of our educational project.

Who can be part of the Club?

Any UVM local student and international students who wants to share their culture, learn about other cultures, and meet the requirements at the time of applying (see requirements section).

What can the UVM International Club offer you?

Regular UVM students: "Internationalization at Home" being with people from other cultures enriches your growth as a person. It's an excellent opportunity to see the world in a new way, do new things, and rediscover your country. Additionally, being with people from other nationalities opens the doors to the world, it helps you learn how other people have faced the challenge of going to another country, improve language skills, learn firsthand about the universities where they could go on exchange, and build future professional networks, etc.

International UVM students: It gives direct cultural immersion in Chile. It's the best way to get to know the city, the country, and the culture. It is also a great help in adapting more easily to the customs and realities of the environment.



ROLES

Being part of the UVM International Club creates a direct relationship between the regular UVM student and the international student, being the first a reference to the second during their stay in the country.

1. The figure of the international sibling

International sibling will help the international student to integrate into the city and the university, and accompany them before, during, and hopefully after their stay in Chile, establishing a lasting bond between them.

Those who wish to have a sibling must complete a form to define some compatibilities.

2. Key moments

- Arrival in Viña del Mar
- Integration to UVM
- During their stay in Viña del Mar
- End of the stay in Chile

To be part of the International Club doesn't imply to be an international sibling. If you sign up for the Club, activities do not have to be exclusively with the sibling.

ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS

1. Where to find us?

The UVM International Club is located on the Recreo Campus (Diego Portales Street 90, Recreo), in the basement of the international house where the UVM's International Cooperation Offices are located. The space is furnished and decorated, it changes constantly according to the ideas and activities developed each semester. This place is available for Club members to use for meetings, to rest, study, interaction, and active participation, with the aim of marking identity and making history in the Club.



2. Schedules

Generally, the Club follows the office hours of the International Cooperation Direction, but there will be flexibility regarding closing time. The Club keys can be requested at the DCI office, and if activities end later than office hours, they can be left with the Recreo Campus guard, as long as someone takes responsibility for managing the Club space and its keys.

3. Proposed activities

The Club is expected to develop activities every week and expects its members to participate in them. Activities are expected to arise from the members' own initiative.

Some proposed activities are:

- Language partners
- Volunteering / Community service
- Art workshops
- International film/literature/music cycles
- Sports meetings
- Photography contests
- Cooking workshops
- Trips
- Multicultural parties and fairs
- Physical/Sports activities
- Others

4. Identification as a UVM International Club member

Upon joining the Club, information will be sent directly to your email, and announcements will be made through social media in a more personalized way. Activities developed in the Club will be exclusive for properly registered members.

Each semester, a specific amount of money is established as a one-time membership fee.



REQUIREMENTS AND BASIC RULES

UVM students interested in being part of the International Club must meet the following requirements:

Be a regular UVM student in the semester in which you wish to participate in the International Club, whether you are a student in a full UVM program or a student in UVM's international programs (semester exchange, Spanish, or Semester in English).

1. Duration of participation in the UVM International Club

The Club membership will be valid for one semester. Each semester, the International Club will publish the corresponding call for new members and those who wish to renew their membership during the first 3 weeks of the academic period.

2. Participation recognition

Being a member of the UVM International Club does not have financial compensation; however, it has social, cultural, and academic growth benefits during your time at UVM. Local UVM students can obtain a Certificate of Complementary Competencies in the area of Internationalization when graduating by completing 2 or more semesters as an active Club member.

3. Application

Students must complete and submit an online registration form to join the Club. This form will be shared through informational meetings, talks, social media, and/or other platforms.

Along with this form, the payment of the corresponding amount for the semester membership fee is expected.

4. Compatibility questionnaire



Those who want to participate in the International Sibling program must complete a compatibility questionnaire to find their ideal match. This questionnaire will be available at the end of a semester to connect them with their sibling before the next semester starts.

5. Selection

Once the registration and membership fee payment period are over, the final list of members will be announced, with whom direct contact will be maintained via email and social media to announce meetings and activities.

6. Basic operating rules of the Club

Members of the UVM International Club agree to respect the following rules:

- Participate in the organization and development of proposed activities.
- Attend weekly meetings.
- Respect the physical spaces of the Club, UVM, and any place where the International Club carries out the activities.
- Respect all Club members, their traditions, cultures, preferences, etc.
- Do not bring drugs, alcohol, or any illegal substances into the Club spaces and/or UVM campuses.

7. UVM International Club Board

The UVM International Club will have a board responsible for organizing and developing the Club's activities and meetings. Tasks and assignments of this board include:

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Delegates: Culture, Sports, Social Events, Community Service, etc.

The board will ensure the proper functioning of the Club. They will be responsible for the Club's finances regarding fundraising and the use of Club funds, present financial report periodically to the members, development of activities,



excursions, and meetings. They will also ensure that the Club facilities are maintained.

8. What is expected before a member leaves

It is expected that each Club member can share their experience to motivate other UVM and international students to join the Club. Likewise, they are invited to share their opinions on what can be improved in future versions.

The UVM International Club aims to be a meeting opportunity between local UVM students and foreign students who come to our university's international programs. At the beginning of each semester, registrations are open.

SIGN UP!

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