



CLUB INTERNACIONAL

UNIVERSIDAD VIÑA DEL MAR

Are you interested in international topics? Would you like to meet people from other countries and cultures? If so, the UVM International Club is for you!

1. What is the Club Internacional UVM?

The Club Internacional UVM is a new program created by the Vice-Presidency of Internationalization and Outreach that wishes to help the integration of international students and to promote their interaction with regular UVM students.

2. What is its objective?

Build a relationship between UVM regular students and international students who come to study at the University. This strengthens the “Internationalization at Home” which encourages a multi-cultural value learning such as respect and diversity.

3. Who can be part of the Club?

All UVM students who meet the requirements and who wish to share their cultures and learn about others.(See requirements section)

4. What will the Club bring to you?

- **UVM regular students:** “Internationalization at Home”: being with people from other cultures enriches your development as a person. It’s a great opportunity to see the world in a different way, to do new things and to discover your country in a way you had never considered. Moreover, being with international people opens the door to the world: it helps you discover how other students have faced the challenge of travelling to another country; it makes you improve your language skills. It also generates a future contact network and it develops your international subject’s knowledge.
- **UVM international students:** It is an easier way to immerse yourself in Chile, and the best way to get to know the city, the culture, but also to learn the language faster. But more than that it is the best way to have fun and to make friends for a lifetime



Roles

A relationship between UVM regular students and UVM international students is built thanks to the club. UVM regular students become a reference for the international students (Buddy).

1. What is a “Buddy” (Padrino/Madrina):

A Buddy will be assigned to every international student taking part in the club. The matching will be done through a compatibility questionnaire (See Sign up Section). The role of this buddy will be to help the international student during his integration to the city and the university, during his entire stay. Their relationship does not have to end when the international student goes back home, true friendship goes beyond boundaries and distances.

2. Key moments:

- Arrival to the city
- During his/her incorporation to the UVM
- During his/her entire stay in Viña del Mar

The buddy has to be there for his/her international friend when he/she is needed. Although this does not mean they have to be together all the time.

Activities and meetings

1. Where to find us?

The club is located in the Diego Portales Campus of the UVM (Calle Diego Portales, 90) in the basement of the headquarters of the “Vice-Presidency of Internationalization and Outreach”. At the moment we are developing the Club’s headquarters, we hope that all of you take part in its creation so that it always remains a place full of identity throughout the history of club and its members’.

2. Schedule

One person will be in charge of the keys of the club, but all the members can use the space to gather, relax, and study whenever the doors are open.

The Club’s schedule will be from 09:00 am to 21:00 pm but it can be opened for extra hours if requested or needed.



3. Proposed activities:

There will be a meeting or activity every week, the time of this meeting or activity will depend on the schedules of the members.

The activities will be of different types, here are some examples:

- ✓ Language partners
- ✓ Volunteering activities
- ✓ Graffiti Contests
- ✓ International Movie Festival
- ✓ International Literature Series
- ✓ International Music Festival
- ✓ International Sport Events
- ✓ Photography contests
- ✓ Cooks-offs
- ✓ Trips
- ✓ International Days
- ✓ Multicultural parties and events
- ✓ Sport activities (surf, horseback riding, trekking, snow trips)
- ✓ Etc

By being a member of the Club you will be provided with a range of academic and social benefits in the region. When you join the Club a member card, an International Club T-Shirt and a Bag will be given to you. At the end of your membership, you will receive a participation certificate.

Requirements and basic rules

UVM international students, who wish to participate in the Club Internacional, have to meet the following requirements:

- Be a UVM International Student
- Be interested in discovering the Chilean culture



- Be open minded, willing to learn and be an active member of the Club.

Length of the membership in the Club

The length of the membership in the Club is semester-long or annual. Every six months the Club will publish a list of the members. All the members of the club will be remembered in the “Libro de las Culturas”.

Acknowledgement of participation

This activity has no economic recognition but there are some educational and social benefits.

At the end of every semester the members will be given a participation certificate during the “Cena Internacional”.

Sign up

Students have to fill out the application online by clicking on the following link:

[SIGN UP FORM](#)

Compatibility questionnaire:

This questionnaire will help us match you to your ideal buddy. This questionnaire has to be filled online before the sign up period ends.

[COMPATIBILITY QUESTIONNAIRE](#)

Selection

Once the application process is over, the VRIV will post the list of the selected students on the web within a week.

Rules of the club

The members agree to respect the following requirements:

- Participate in the activities the club proposes
- Participate in the weekly meeting
- Be respectful with the club’s facilities, material, furniture etc.
- Respect your peers and other cultures you might encounter
- Alcohol/drugs are prohibited in the Club Internacional’s headquarters, nor on any of the UVM’s campuses.



Government:

In the Club there will be a government chosen through an election within the members of the Club at the beginning of every semester. This government will be formed by four members:

- President
- Vice-President
- Treasurer
- Secretary

This team will be in charge of the well-functioning of the Club. This means that they will be responsible for the development of the events, trips, meetings. They also will take care of the facilities of the Club. On the other hand, the government of the Club will be managing the economic subjects of the club.

- Income: The idea would be to be auto sufficient, which means to organize different events to raise money for the preparation of the activities.
- Spending: The Club will use the funds to develop the activities of the club, buy what is necessary, finance trips etc.

Before you go: Write a small testimonial of your experience in the club to explain how you lived it, what you liked and disliked about it so that future members can improve it.