



FACT SHEET

2026

INSTITUTION

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PROGRAMS

Undergraduate Programs
Analytical Toxicology, Biomedical Informatics, Biomedicine – daytime program, Biomedicine – evening shift program, Food Technology, Gastronomy, Healthcare Administration, Medical Physics, Medicinal Chemistry, Medicine, Nursing, Nutrition, Pharmacy, Physical Therapy, Psychology, and Speech, Language and Hearing Sciences.

Graduate Programs
Biosciences – Master’s and PhD, Family Health – Master’s, Health Education – Master’s, Health Sciences – Master’s and PhD, Information Technology and Healthcare Administration – Master’s, Medicine: Hepatology – Master’s, Nursing – Master’s, Nutrition Sciences – Master’s, Pathology – Master’s and PhD, Pediatrics – Master’s and PhD, Psychology and Health – Master’s, Rehabilitation Sciences – Master’s and PhD

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

1 st semester, 2026	March 4 th to July 8 th , 2026
2 nd semester, 2026	August 10 th to December 12 th , 2026
1 st semester, 2027	Not yet defined.
Holidays	January: 1 st , 2026 February: 2 nd , 16 th , 17 th and 18 th , 2026 April: 3 rd , 4 th , 20 th and 21 st , 2026 May: 1 st and 2 nd , 2026 June: 4 th , 5 th and 6 th , 2026 September: 7 th and 20 th , 2026 October: 12 th and 28 th , 2026 November: 2 nd , 15 th , 20 th and 21 st , 2026 December: 25 th , 2026
Winter Break	From July 9 th to August 9 th
WEBSITE	https://ufcspa.edu.br/documentos/graduacao/Calendario_Acad_21_10_25.pdf

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

COURSE CATALOGUE	All the mandatory undergraduate courses are taught in Portuguese, but there are also some electives taught in other languages, which vary each semester. The courses of each program can be found on https://www.ufcspa.edu.br/english/undergraduate-programs
NUMBER OF COURSES PER SEMESTER	International students must take at least 180 hours of classes.
GRADING SYSTEM	10-point scale, 7 points being the minimum score required for approval, and 6 points after a final exam. Minimum attendance of 75% is required. <i>“Article 157. The student who fulfills the following criteria is considered approved in the course:</i> <i>I – Attendance equal to or greater than 75% of scheduled activities, reaching a final average equal to or greater than 7.0 (seven);</i> <i>II – Attendance equal to or greater than 75% of classes taught, reaching, after the final exam, an average equal to or greater than 6.0 (six), as a result of applying the formula:</i> <i>Final average after the exam = [(Average in the course × 6) + (Final exam grade × 4)] / 10</i>

	<p><i>§ 1 The student who has obtained an attendance equal to or greater than 75% and an average lower than 7.0 (seven) and equal to or greater than 4.0 (four) will be eligible to take the exam.</i></p> <p><i>§ 2 The averages are calculated to two decimal points without rounding.</i></p> <p><i>§ 3 The student who does not achieve the results set out in sections I and II of the caput of this article will fail the course.”</i></p>
LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS	Portuguese level B1 is highly recommended. Students must send, until the beginning of the exchange, proof (certificate or letter from International Office or professor) that they have enough knowledge of Portuguese to attend the classes. In any case, the participation in the Portuguese classes offered by UFCSPA for free is mandatory (4h/week).

APPLICATION PROCEDURE AND ADMISSION

APPLICATION PROCEDURE	<p>The institution of origin must send the student’s application to UFCSPA by e-mail (mobilidadeacademica@ufcspa.edu.br).</p> <p>The information required is the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cover letter from the home university; - Application form and statement of commitment (a document in which prospective students agree to UFCSPA’s codes and the conditions for exchange, as set by the programs or agreements their mobility may be linked to); - Passport copy; - Transcript of records signed by the home university; - Student motivation letter; - 3x4 picture.
APPLICATION DEADLINES	<p>May 31st (2nd semester of the current year);</p> <p>October 31st (1st semester of the following year);</p>
ADMISSION	<p>UFCSPA will send the acceptance letter, via e-mail and, if necessary, by mail, to the students once the application has been accepted by the corresponding program.</p> <p>The student, if a foreign citizen, must send, up to two weeks before arrival:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proof of language skills (Portuguese); - Health insurance valid throughout the exchange period, covering repatriation of remains and Covid-19 related diseases; - Copy of student visa (VITEM-IV); - Copy of flight tickets.

	<p>It is also highly recommended that the student issue and provide the CPF number before arriving in Brazil.</p> <p>For more information: https://www.ufcspa.edu.br/documentos/internacional/guide-for-the-international-student-at-ufcspa.pdf</p>
WEBSITE	https://www.ufcspa.edu.br/english/student-mobility

ARRIVAL DATES AND ORIENTATION

ARRIVAL DATE	We recommend students to arrive in Porto Alegre one week before the start of classes.
ORIENTATION	An orientation meeting is held on the week before the start of classes. The date and more details of the orientation meeting will be communicated by e-mail once the students have been accepted.

ACCOMMODATION

HOUSING ARRANGEMENTS	UFCSPA does not offer a student house; the students should look for an accommodation by themselves or through a list that is provided by the university.
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PRACTICAL INFORMATION

ACCOMMODATION COST PER MONTH	~ R\$ 800.00 to R\$1,200.00
COST OF LIVING PER MONTH EXCLUDING ACCOMMODATION	<p>Food costs: ~ R\$ 500.00</p> <p>University restaurant: R\$ R\$ 3,75 (each meal, lunch and dinner)</p> <p>Public transportation: R\$ 4.80 (each bus ticket)</p>
VISA	<p>Temporary visas for students (IV) should be requested at Brazilian embassies and consulates abroad prior to your departure.</p> <p>For more information: https://www.ufcspa.edu.br/documentos/internacional/guide-for-the-international-student-at-ufcspa.pdf</p>
IMMIGRATION PROCEDURES	<p>All foreigners staying for more than 90 days are required to register at the Federal Police within 90 days of their arrival in Brazil, in order to issue their RNM, the foreigners' identity document.</p> <p>For more information: https://www.ufcspa.edu.br/english/student-mobility/guide-for-the-international-student-at-ufcspa/after-your-arrival</p>



HEALTH INSURANCE	All foreign students must have an international health insurance, including body repatriation, valid throughout the duration of the stay in Brazil.
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