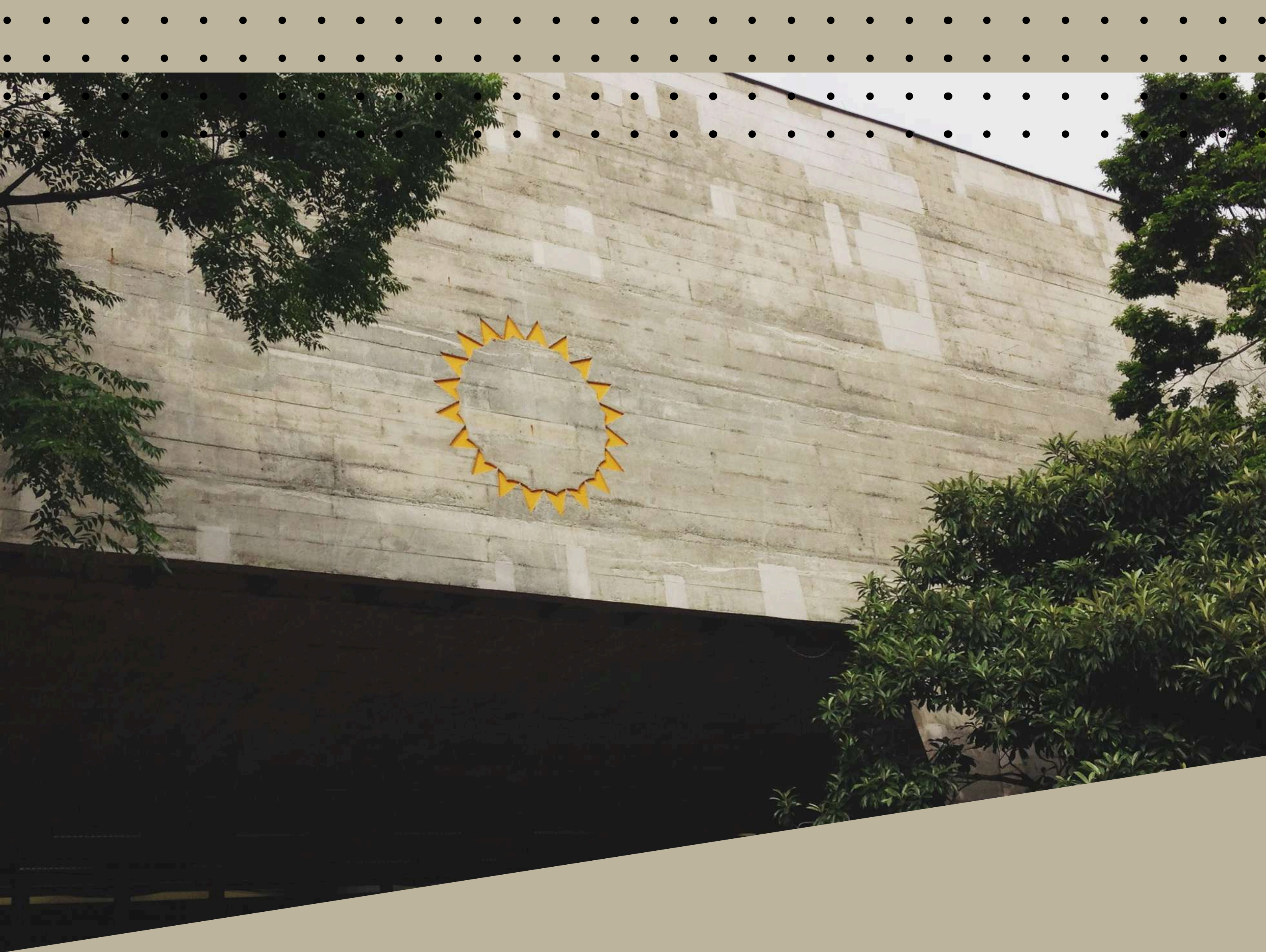




UNIVERSITY OF SÃO PAULO
FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE,
URBANISM, AND DESIGN

FACTSHEET
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Info data

Official name: Faculdade de Arquitetura e Urbanismo e de Design da Universidade de São Paulo

English name: Faculty of Architecture, Urbanism, and Design of University of São Paulo

Acronym: FAU-USP

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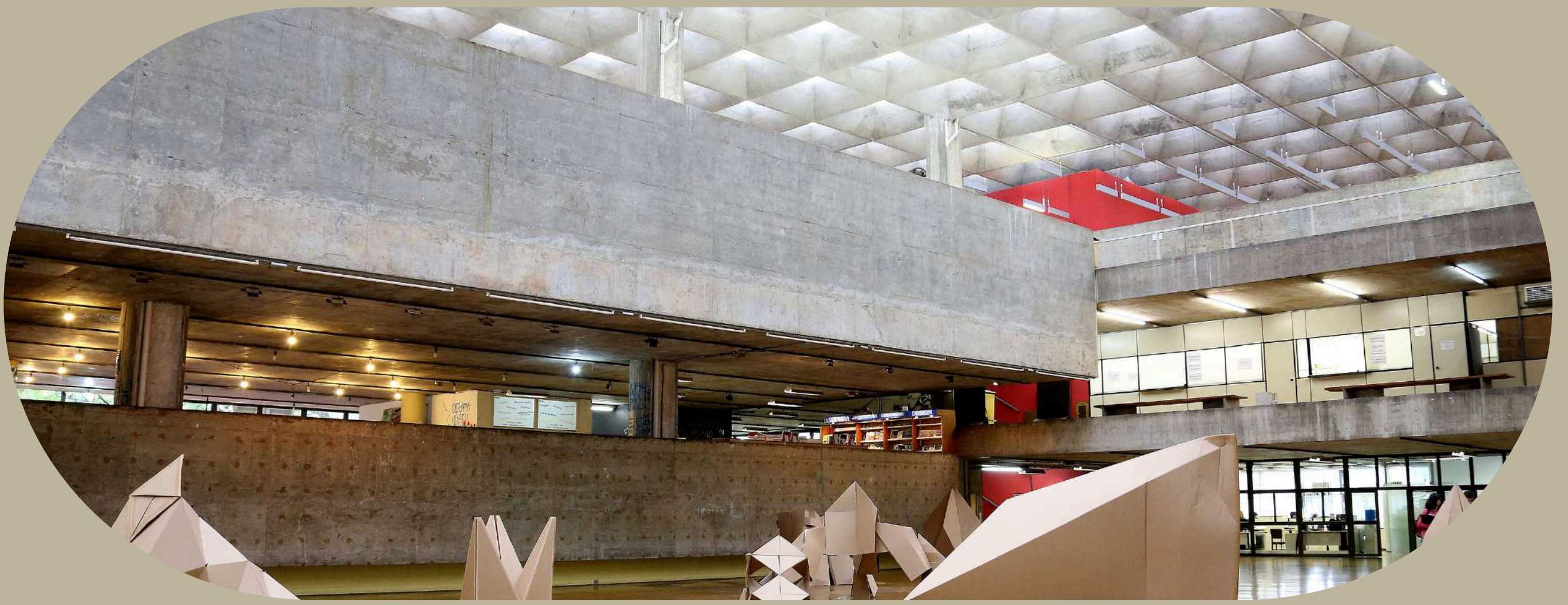
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Areas of knowledge:

Architecture and Urbanism (link to [Course Program](#))

Design (link to [Course Program](#))



FAU-USP International Office

The FAU International Office is FAU's point of contact with foreign institutions, providing support to foreign visitors.

Our office's activities are divided into:

- **Agreement:** deals with the processing of international agreements (new or renewals of agreements)
- **Incoming:** deals with the reception of foreign students and visitors
- **Outgoing:** deals with sending students from our faculty abroad

Our contact emails:

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Professor Mobility at FAU-USP

Knowing the importance of academic cooperation between educational institutions, we see the mobility of professors between partner institutions as a way of strengthening institutional ties and strengthening cooperation between schools.

The procedure for accepting a visit of foreign professor begins with a FAU professor who agrees to be the professor responsible for the visit.

If the foreign professor does not have any contact with a professor at our Faculty, we can help find a FAU professor to assist with the reception.

We can also sign agreements within the ERASMUS+ Program so that the professor can carry out the visit with financial support from the program.



Student Mobility at FAU-USP

FAU-USP receives approximately 100 exchange students annually, from our various partners around the world. This is a source of great pride for our Faculty, and we therefore always want to welcome in the best possible way the students who come here to study courses or to carry out research.

Exchange for research: If the student is interested in coming to FAU to continue their research, they should contact directly the professor with whom they would like to develop their work here at FAU.

Academic exchange: this exchange consists of student mobility to attend disciplines at our institution. This is the main form of exchange currently, as foreign students can take advantage of the opportunity to learn about FAU's disciplines, as well as those of other USP units.



Student Mobility at FAU-USP

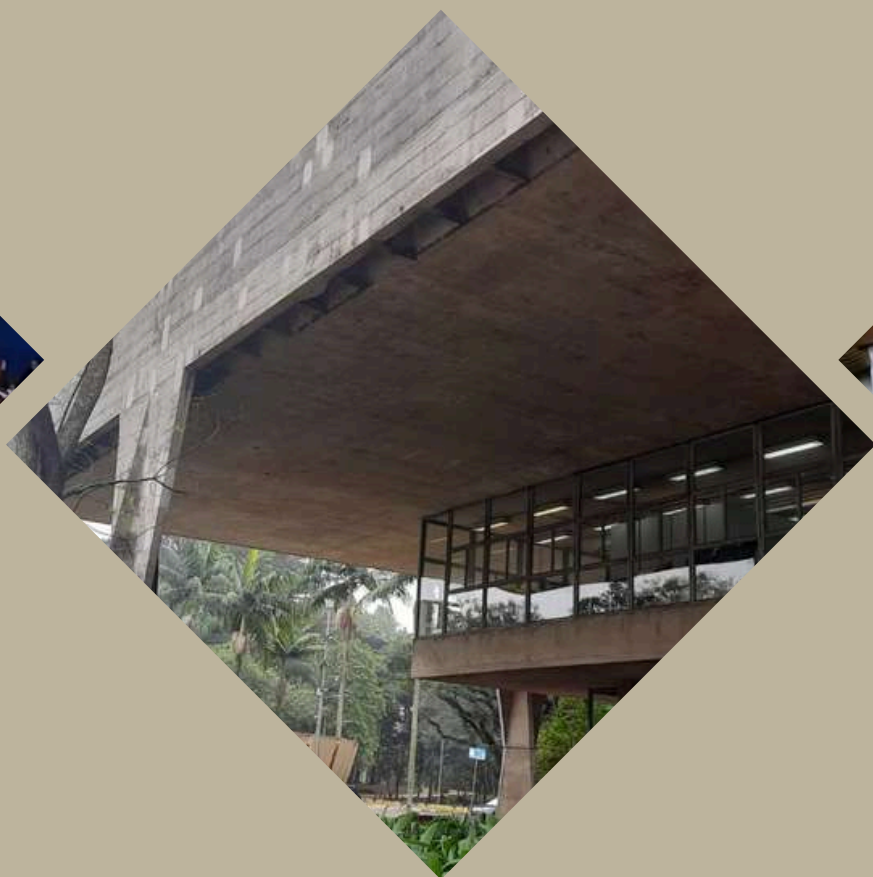
Academic Exchange

In order to accept academic exchange students, it is important that the student and his/her home institution are aware of the procedures and information that will be detailed below.

Course: undergraduate courses in Architecture and Urbanism, and Design are designed to last 5 years, therefore, even master's students who come from institutions that follow the 3+2 division **are considered undergraduate students**, as they have not completed their 5 years of study.

Other cases, for exchanges within our **postgraduate programs**, students must contact the FAU Postgraduate Office directly.

Housing: USP does not have student housing for exchange students. However, there are several private housing options available around the university.



Student Mobility at FAU-USP

Academic Exchange

Language: FAU courses are taught in **Portuguese**, so we ask that students come to us with an intermediate level of the language. But we do not require any proof of language proficiency.

USP also offers some Portuguese courses to help students during their exchange:

Centro de Línguas FFLCH

PoLínguas

VIVA USP

USP Academic Calendar: The academic year at USP begins at the beginning of the normal calendar year, usually in February. However, we accept students who start their exchange program in both our **first semester (Feb - Jul)** and **second semester (Aug - Dec)**.



Student Mobility at FAU-USP

Academic Exchange

Disciplines: Enrollment in disciplines takes place **between 1 and 2 weeks after the start of classes**. Therefore, the disciplines indicated at the time of application are only to check the student's interest, it does not mean that he or she will actually take those subjects.

Nomination: The nomination of students interested in doing an exchange at FAU must be made **exclusively by the student's home institution**. The institution must make the nomination through our [Online Form](#), or by email if it is not possible to access the Form.

Dates for nomination:

mobility for 1st semester: 01/Ago to 05/Oct

mobility for 2nd semester: 01/Mar to 05/May



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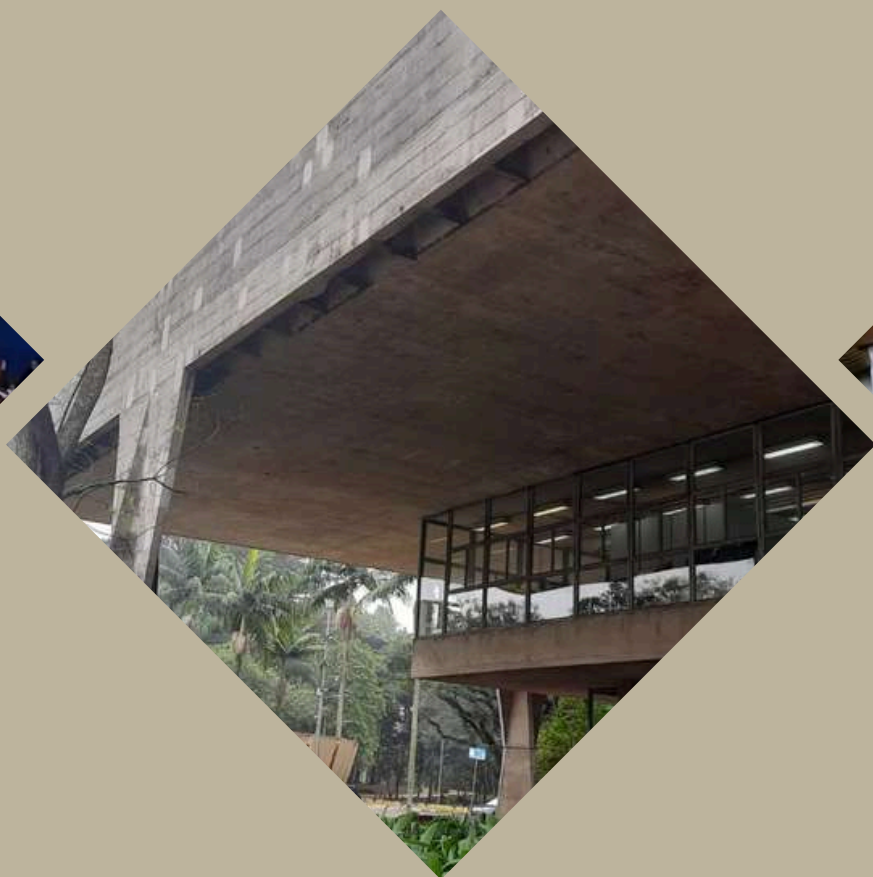
Academic Exchange

Application: Nominated students will receive a message from the Mundus system so they can complete their Application. At this stage, the student must provide the following documents:

- **Transcript of records**
- **Learning Agreement**
- **Passport**
- **Photo**
- **Letter of Recommendation (optional)**

We will forward further details by e-mail about the application to students after their nomination by their home institution.

Deadline for application:
mobility for 1st semester: 15/Oct
mobility for 2nd semester: 15/May



Student Mobility at FAU-USP

Academic Exchange

Acceptance letter: We will send approved students a letter of acceptance informing them of the mobility period and other information related to the exchange. We emphasize the importance of students reading the document carefully to check that all the information is correct.

Deadline for the acceptance letter:
mobility for 1st semester: 05/Nov
mobility for 2nd semester: 05/Jun

VISA: Accepted students must contact the Brazilian Consulate closest to their home to obtain a study visa and a Brazilian CPF (acronym for Cadastro de Pessoa Física).

Travel insurance: everyone who comes to study at FAU is required to take out this type of insurance, which covers problems from medical care to flight problems.



Student Mobility at FAU-USP

Academic Exchange

USP Credits:

The USP credits is divided into:

- **Class Credits (crédito aula)**, that one credit corresponds to 15 hours/semester of instructional sessions and
- **Coursework Credits (crédito trabalho)**: that one credit corresponds to 30 hours/semester of hours of coursework.

E.g.:

Disciplina: AUP2002 - Projeto Integrado
Integrated Project

Créditos Aula: 8

Créditos Trabalho: 2

Carga Horária Total: 180 h

$$8 \times 15 = 120$$

$$2 \times 30 = 60$$

total: 180 h / semester

Note: The equivalence of USP credits to credits of home institution is carried out by the home institution.



Contacts for other questions

If you have any questions about any topic not covered in this factsheet, please contact us so that we can assist you in the best way possible.

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