

# Exchange Program 2026

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FEDERAL DE JUIZ DE FORA



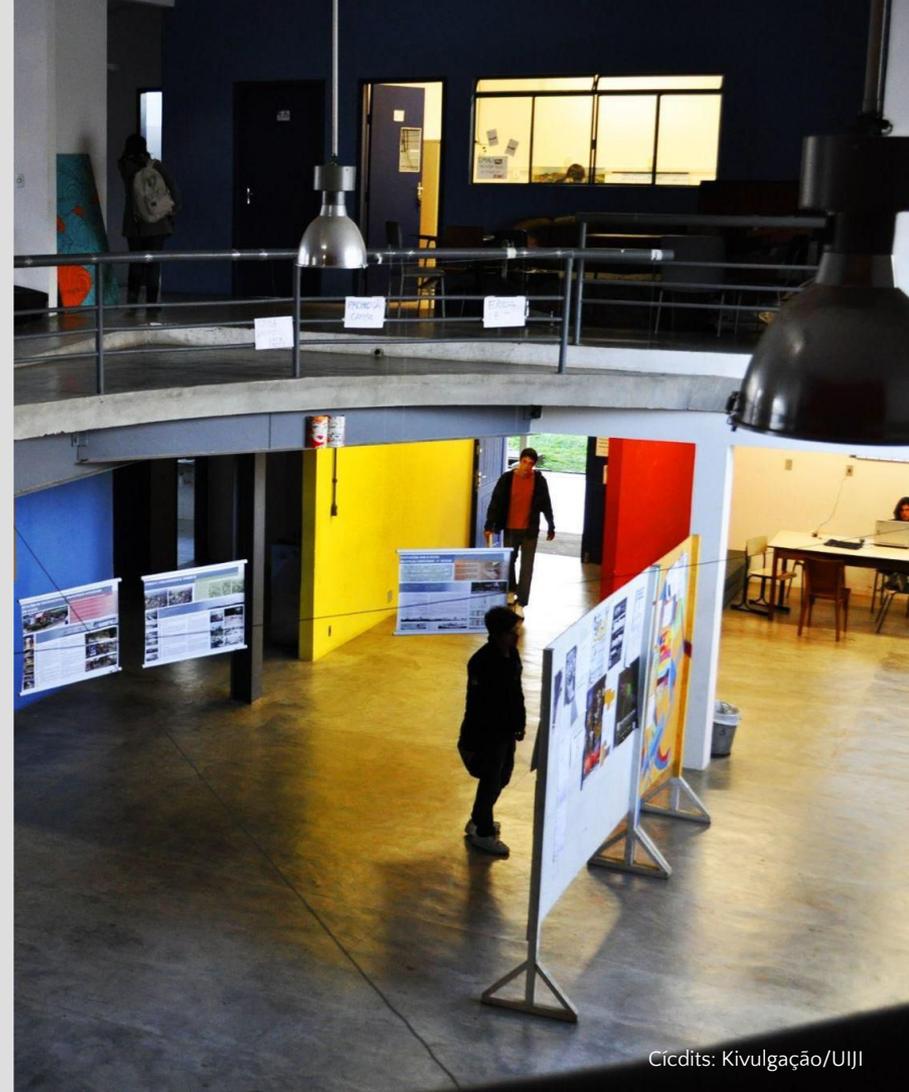
# ABOUT US

## THE UNIVERSITY

The Federal University of Juiz de Fora (UFJF) is a scientific and cultural center in an area of more than three million inhabitants and is ranked among the best universities in Latin America, with both national and international recognition.

UFJF now has 93 options of undergraduate courses, 45 master's and 24 doctoral degree courses, in all areas of knowledge. 26,000 students make the 2 campi their learning space, along with approximately 3,000 distance learning students.

Constituted as a center of research and knowledge production, UFJF forms ethical, critical, high-quality performance professionals both for the labor market and for the academia who are committed to building a more fair and egalitarian society.



# ABOUT US

## THE CITY

Juiz de Fora is a medium/large size city with over 500,000 inhabitants located in the "Zona da Mata Mineira", southeast of Minas Gerais. The city is known for its quality of life and is reference in sectors such as education and health. Among more than twenty higher education institutions, UFJF is the main one. On health, there is a large network of medical and hospital care with an excellent service.

The city is located among the major capitals of the Southeast: Belo Horizonte, Rio de Janeiro and São Paulo. So there are several options to get here. Tiradentes (listed as Historical Heritage) and Ibitipoca (with stunning natural sites) are some of the many tourist places in the region. Most of UFJF students live within the city, which allows an intense social life in Juiz de Fora. Entertainment options are widely available for all tastes: theaters, cultural centers, museums, cinemas, restaurants, bars and night clubs.





# REQUIREMENTS

## AREAS OF STUDY

All areas of study are open to undergrad exchange students. The Course Catalog (content in Portuguese) is available [here](#). Students can check courses by clicking on the names of the school (e.g. "Administração"). When more than one year (e.g. "2016"; "2023") is shown, students must choose the most recent one.

Courses Syllabus (content in English) are available [here](#). Click on the career of your interest and the Drive with the list of courses for that degree opens.

## LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT

Although no specific proof of proficiency is required for application, please note that all undergraduate courses are taught in Brazilian Portuguese.

The course "Português para Estrangeiros" - Portuguese for Foreigners - is mandatory for non-Portuguese speakers and free of charge. Its offer follows our undergraduate academic calendar.



# ACCOMMODATION, FEES & OTHER EXPENSES

UFJF does not provide housing (except for BRACOL and BRAMEX students). Students must directly contact local house owners in order to organize their stay and get further information.

[UFJF Buddy Program](#) can provide assistance with housing. Please contact them on [Instagram](#) or by e-mail ([projetobuddy@gmail.com](mailto:projetobuddy@gmail.com)) or answer the [Housing Request Form](#).

Housing: R\$1000 avg.

Local transportation: Free local bus pass for UFJF students

Meals: R\$1.40 at UFJF

Restaurant; R\$30 avg. at other restaurants

Total: R\$2000 avg. (around US\$400) a month

Find more information at

<http://www.custodevida.com.br/mg/juiz-de-fora/>

**Note: this is not a UFJF website**

# ACADEMIC DATES AND DEADLINES

*Spring Semester (16th March – 22nd July 2026)*

Nomination and Application Deadlines: **31st January 2026**

Enrollment Documents Submission Deadline: **8th March 2026**

Course registration: **16th - 30th March 2026**

*Fall Semester (17th August – 16th December 2026)*

Nomination and Application Deadlines: **30th June 2026**

Enrollment Documents Submission Deadline: **9th August 2026**

Course registration: **17th - 30th August 2026**

Partner universities must submit nominations by email to [incoming.dri@ufjf.br](mailto:incoming.dri@ufjf.br). Applications without the respective nomination will not be considered. Online Application [here](#).

[International application procedures and required documents \(in portuguese\)](#)





# IMMIGRATION PROCEDURES

Before traveling to Brazil, you may need to apply for a visa. Please refer to the [nearest Brazilian consulate](#) or embassy for more information. It is also highly recommended that students apply for a CPF (taxpayers number) at the consulate as well. [CPF](#) is essential for several procedures in Brazil and is required for enrollment at UFJF.

Upon arrival, The International Office assists students with the [Federal Police Registration](#). There is a R\$204,77 fee for the Immigrant ID.

Please refer to the International Office staff for any questions or concerns regarding immigration.

# RECEPTION ACTIVITIES

## WELCOME SESSION

### *Spring*

Date: **20th March 2026**

Time: 2 PM

Venue: [International Office Lounge](#)

### *Fall*

Date: **21st August 2026**

Time: 2 PM

Venue: [International Office Lounge](#)



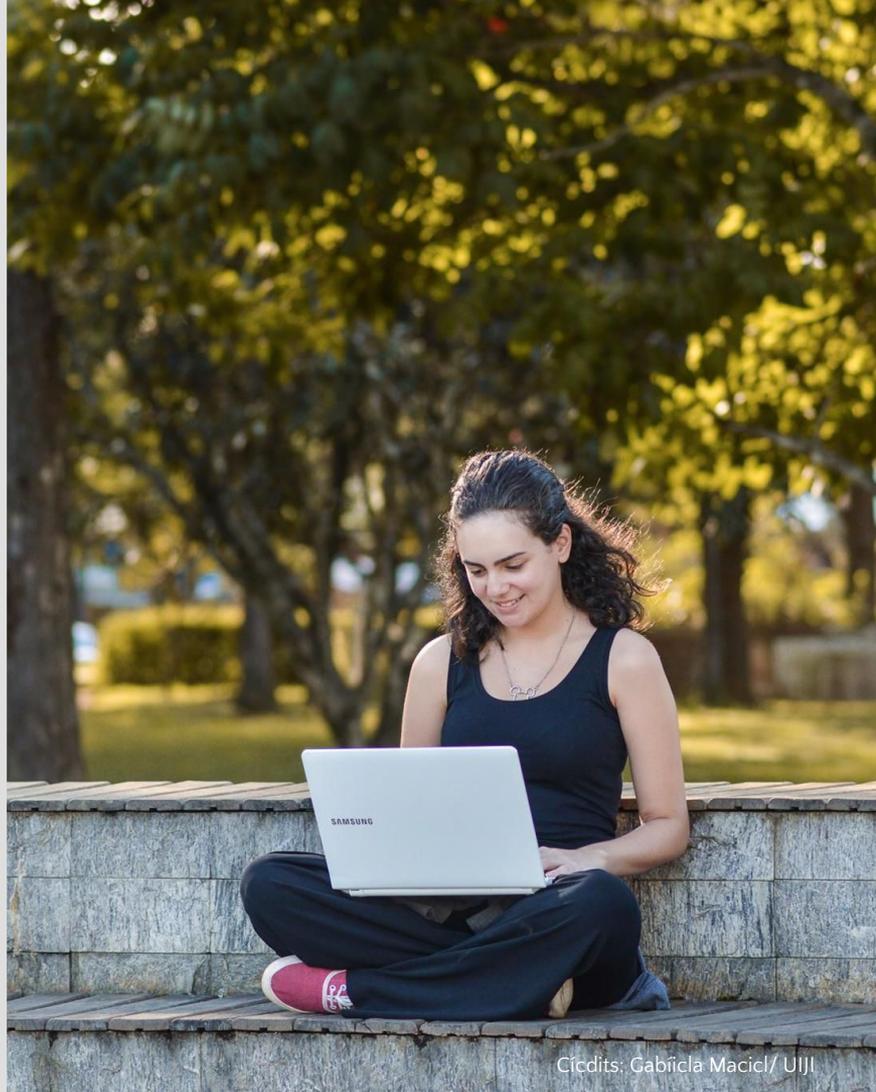
# INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT

The International Student Support Center was created to provide international students the best Study Abroad experience. The center offers the following activities that complement and enhance their academic life:

## PORTUGUESE FOR FOREIGNERS

UFJF Languages and Literature School offers regular Portuguese for Foreigners courses on different levels, totally free of charge.

UFJF is also an authorized test center for the Brazilian Portuguese Proficiency exam - Celpe-Bras - the only Portuguese proficiency certificate officially recognized by the Brazilian Government. Students can engage on our Portuguese for Foreigners programs and take the Test without leaving the campus.





## BUDDY PROGRAM

Formed by a group of students who offer many support actions to international students during their stay at UFJF. Brazilian Buddies help their international friends to adapt to the campus life and daily life in Brazil, especially regarding language and culture matters.

If you want a brazilian buddy, please fill in [this form](#).

For more information, please send us an email on [projetobuddy@gmail.com](mailto:projetobuddy@gmail.com)

[@projetobuddy](#) on Instagram



## ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Academic Exchange beyond the Classroom (IAASA). This project involves exchange students in internship-like activities in our Experience Centers:

**Junior Companies** > Student-run companies that mimic the business dynamics approaching market and academia.

**Tutorial Education Programs (PET/GET)** > A program of the Brazilian Ministry of Education, aimed at students with outstanding abilities and potential.

**Competition Teams** > Allow students to apply theoretical knowledge in a practical way by building specific projects, as well as encouraging participation in national and international competitions.

**NGOS** > Philanthropic entities of Public interest which work in several areas offering social services.

# VOLUNTEERING

Offered in partnership with our Outreach Projects Office, which is responsible for articulating teaching and research activities with local community demands.

The student will have the opportunity to choose among more than 500 outreach actions available at UFJF in which they can work directly with Brazilian communities under the supervision of the Professor who coordinates the Project.



# GLOBAL JULY PROGRAM

Launched in 2017 by the International Relations Office (DRI), the Global July program brings together students and professors from all around the world to Juiz de Fora. Free short-term courses in all areas of knowledge - Exact Sciences, Life Sciences, Linguistics, Literature and Arts, Humanities and Health Sciences - are offered and taught in different languages other than Portuguese.

Global July's goal is to strengthen the internationalization of the University, attracting foreign students and professors as well as enabling new partnerships and allowing our students to experience an international environment at home. The students can freely choose to attend between undergraduate and graduate level courses. Further information about Global July can be found at the [website](#).





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