

Study Abroad Policy and Exchange

In order to incorporate an internationalization component into its students' education, Tecnológico de Monterrey signs student exchange agreements and international academic cooperation agreements with international educational institutions that are officially recognized in their countries and that, preferably, are internationally renowned and have been awarded national and international accreditations.

Through these agreements, Tecnológico de Monterrey students have the opportunity to complete part of their academic programs at international universities and can transfer up to a maximum of 50% of the corresponding courses to their academic program.

The next section is a transcription the Chapter VII from General Academic Policies and Regulations, which includes aspects related to international programs policy in Tecnológico de Monterrey.

Chapter VIII

Section VIII.1. International Academic Cooperation Agreements

Article 150:

The international academic cooperation agreements entered into by Tecnológico de Monterrey with foreign educational institutions must contribute to the institutional and academic development and enhancement of the participating institutions.

Article 151:

Students from all the campuses have, equally, the same opportunities to access international programs generated from the international academic cooperation agreements. In the case of dual and/or double degree programs that have a restricted number of places, the campuses that manage these places will decide whether they will be exclusively for the students enrolled in such programs.

Article 152:

International students who participate in programs based on the academic cooperation agreements can choose to study at any of the Tecnológico de Monterrey campuses that have the necessary academic offerings for the program in question.

Article 153:

The guidelines and requirements for entering into international academic cooperation agreements are set by the Associate Vice Presidency for Internationalization and published in the Regulations for Managing and Operating International Programs, according to the level of studies.

Article 154:

The international academic cooperation agreements are managed, overseen and authorized by the Associate Vice Presidency for Internationalization. The Regulations for Managing and Operating International Programs according to the level of studies include guidelines for modifying or cancelling an agreement.

Section VIII.2. Tecnológico de Monterrey's International Programs

Article 155:

An international program enables Tecnológico de Monterrey students to take courses at foreign educational institutions or complete an internship abroad through academic cooperation agreements and, in this way, earn credit for the courses in their curriculum. It also permits external transfer students (temporary international students) to take courses at Tecnológico de Monterrey.

Article 156:

Programs are classified according to their academic type:

- a. Dual or double degree programs: Undergraduate or graduate programs offered jointly between Tecnológico de Monterrey and a foreign university, allowing students to earn an undergraduate or graduate degree from each of the participating institutions, as long as all the legal and academic requirements provided by both participating institutions are met.
- b. Certificate programs: A set of courses related to the same area of study that allow students to deepen or broaden their knowledge of an area of study and obtain a certificate
- c. Academic programs according to the area of study:
Courses from a disciplinary area that normally form part of the academic offerings. Intensive courses for Tecnológico de Monterrey students can be designed by the foreign educational institution or by Tecnológico de Monterrey for the Institute's students. Courses for external transfer students

(temporary international students) can be designed by Tecnológico de Monterrey, emphasizing the aspects of language, culture and doing business in Mexico, amongst others; or they can be designed for a foreign institution with specific content and format requirements, as long as they adhere to the guidelines of the courses offered by Tecnológico de Monterrey.

d. Internship programs:

The objective of internship programs is for students to achieve significant learning by joining a company or organization in order to perform activities through which they can apply the knowledge acquired during their studies in multicultural settings.

These programs can have a variable academic load of 6, 16 and a maximum of 32 academic units for Tecnológico de Monterrey undergraduate students. Temporary international students complete these programs at companies or organizations in Mexico and can earn academic credit for the same

- e. Research internship programs: The aim of these programs is for students to gain significant learning and join research centers or educational institutions in order to perform research activities related to their area of study. These programs can have a variable academic load of 6, 16 and a maximum of 32 academic units for Tecnológico de Monterrey undergraduate students. For graduate students, they can have a variable academic load of 6, 12 and a maximum of 36 units.
- f. Language programs: These programs comprise an academic experience in the area of languages for students who wish to improve or learn a foreign language in a foreign country.
- g. Academic missions: These are travel delegations that allow students to apply, in international contexts, the knowledge acquired in their studies by completing an academic project under the supervision of a faculty member and/or academic advisor and for which they will be awarded academic credit.
- h. Field trips: These are academic trips that seek to support the course content by giving students the opportunity to observe, in a real-life environment, how the knowledge acquired during their studies is applied. The duration of these trips is at least two weeks for Tecnológico de Monterrey high school and undergraduate students and one week for graduate students. This duration must be less than that of an official academic period of Tecnológico de Monterrey.

- i. Community social service: This program offers external transfer students (temporary international students) the opportunity.

Section VIII.3. Student Participation in Tecnológico de Monterrey's International Programs

Article 157:

Courses designed for students by a foreign educational institution or by Tecnológico de Monterrey are governed by the criteria of the corresponding academic regulations.

Article 158:

The international program departments at each campus are the only entities responsible for offering the academic study abroad opportunities organized by Tecnológico de Monterrey.

Article 159:

Award of credit for the courses in the curriculum of a student who participates in an international program is based on the guidelines stipulated in the Regulations for Managing and Operating International Programs.