Middlebury School in Argentina
Buenos Aires

Newsletter Fall 2022
News from the School in Argentina

**MLEP** (Multiple Level Entry Program in Spanish in BA) starting from Spring 2022

- This Intermediate Track is designed for students who have completed 1.5 - 2 years (3 - 4 semesters) of college-level Spanish (or the equivalent).

- Students will enroll in a Spanish language course through the Universidad Católica Argentina’s (UCA) Español como Lengua Extranjera (ELE) program, in two content courses (taught in Spanish) through UCA’s Programa de Estudios Latinoamericanos (PEL), and in a Middlebury-led course on Tango and Identity, which features an accompanying writing seminar.

- In certain cases, students may opt to replace one of their content courses with a for-credit internship.

- Students participate in the Middlebury Language Pledge®, in which they promise to communicate only in Spanish for the duration of their time with the School in Argentina.

- Students will earn a total of 4.5 units of Middlebury credit (typically equivalent to 15-16 semester hour credits) for the semester.

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**Sample Content Courses**

- Aprendizaje desde el Servicio
- Argentina Hoy
- La Argentina Peronista
- Arte Argentino Contemporáneo
- Arte, Arquitectura e Identidad en América Latina
- Deportes y Cultura: Fútbol en Argentina
- Historia Latinoamericana I: Conquista, Independencia y Estados Modernos
- Introducción a la Lingüística del Español
- Literaturas y Culturas en América Latina
- Microeconomía
- Periodismo y Literatura: Atrapa tu viaje
- Procesos y Sociales de América del Sur
- Registrar Buenos Aires: Cultura y Fotografía

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News from the School in Argentina
From Spring 2022 the School is offering two new Academic Tracks:

Academic Track on Public Health
University of Buenos Aires (UBA)
or Catholic University of Argentina (UCA)

- Courses in Sociology, Demography, Social work, Psychology, and health-related careers such as nursing and nutrition.
- Sociology or Social Work at UBA, or Nursing, Nutrition, and Kinesiology at UCA.
- Students will learn about public health and the social determinants of health from an Argentine perspective, incorporating knowledge of Argentine history, present-day governance and service provision in Argentina, contemporary social challenges, and theories specific to academic disciplines.

Internships in specific field of interest

Health Access
- Damas Rosadas
- Fundación Manos Abiertas
- Asocación Sindrome de Down
- Asociación Esclerosis Múltiple
- FUNDAFASIA
- Organización Panamericana de la Salud
- Fundación Huésped
- Fundación Interamericana del Corazón

Public Policy
- CIPPEC
- Poder Ciudadano
- FARN

Women’s Health
- FEIM
- Fundación Mujeres en Igualdad
- Asociación Familias Diversas Argentinas

Pediatrics
- Fundación Manantiales

Substance Abuse
- Fundación Williams

Human Rights
- CELS
- Fundación Tzedaká
- Fundación Luisa Harabeidían
Explore the formation and evolution of Tango and the culture that emerged with it as a national language, incorporating knowledge about Argentinean society and its contemporary social challenges – in areas of gender, ethnicity, and socio-economic class – through theories specific to various academic disciplines.

Core course:
Tango: History, Lyrics, and Dance
This Middlebury-organized core course focuses on the formation and evolution of Tango and the culture that emerged with it as a national language from an Argentinean perspective. The course will approach the emergence of historical tensions over identity and power, incorporating knowledge about Argentinean society and its contemporary social challenges through theories specific to various academic disciplines. The course will prepare students to delve into their specific interests through elective courses at the university.

Complementary elective courses
In addition, students will take complementary classes at the Universidad de Buenos Aires: Facultad de Filosofía y Letras of Argentina, choosing from a large array of related courses in the subject areas of arts, literature, anthropology, philosophy, and history, among others. In addition to coursework, students will have the opportunity to apply classroom learning in a real world setting through a credit-bearing internship that addresses ongoing issues of identity and power within their field of interest, taking advantage of the School in Argentina’s network of partner organizations in Buenos Aires. Other enrichment activities outside the classroom include monthly extension activities such as visits to milongas, dance schools, lunfardo academies, and other related institutions, as well as relevant interviews and activities that will bring students closer to the front line of the fieldwork.
Universidad Católica Argentina (UCA)
New career tracks for 2023

Degree in Business Economics
A four-year degree that aims to train graduates on the knowledge of the economic environment, to develop skills to administer resources efficiently, interpret financial models and decisions and to analyse web information flows (Big Data), according to social responsibility practices.

Degree in Entertainment Business Management
Graduates of this degree will be able to exercise managerial functions of analysis, planning, organisation, coordination and control, as well as to develop and implement policies, systems, methods and procedures of administration, finance, marketing, budgeting, costing and personnel management for the entertainment industry.

Degree in Data Science
Data Science graduates will be able to work throughout the data cycle in the field of Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Data Science, Data Visualisation, Data Engineering, Business Intelligence, Data Governance, Data Quality, Data Observability, Data Strategy, Data Architecture, and Machine Learning Engineering.

Facultad de Ciencias Sociales (UBA)
Political Science 2022 Conference
From August 29 to September 5, the Political Science 2022 Conference "Back to Social Science" was held at the Facultad de Ciencias Sociales - UBA. With 400 individual speakers, 47 PolSci Research Groups and 35 special debate groups, the conference offered a space for exchange and academic dialogue between students, graduates and teachers from national and foreign universities. The main objective of this annual conference is to encourage debate within the discipline and to stimulate the renewal of the topics of study and teaching of Political Science.
Universidad Torcuato Di Tella (UTDT)
II Symposium on Gender and Human Behaviour
Planned for September 2022, the symposium seeks to generate a space for discussion centered on the importance of studying and understanding gender from a perspective that includes the human behavioural sciences and, on the other hand, to highlight the need for targeted research programs that allow evidence-based educational policies to be established.
Some of the lectures will be: "Beyond pink and blue brains: How essentialism biases how we think about gender", "Including the language: tensions around gender expression in languages" and "Sexual ethics and sex education: Incorporating an understanding of gender, power, and care".

Facultad de Filosofía y Letras (UBA)
Colloquium "The Utopia of America"
The Free Chair of Latin American Philological Studies "Pedro Henríquez Ureña". is organising the International Colloquium "The Utopia of America“. This chair is defined as a space for research, teaching, cultural promotion and homage to the figure of Pedro Henríquez Ureña, the prominent Dominican philologist who contributed, with his work, to a better knowledge of the literatures and cultures of the continent from a unified perspective and, at the same time, respectful of the differences and specificities of each region. The Colloquium will take place on October 13 and 14, and can be viewed live on the FILO:UBA YouTube channel.
News from our Program

Tango & Identity track
On the Fall semester, the Middlebury Program in Argentina has started its Tango and Identity track, which includes a program-designed course focused on the formation and evolution of Tango and its links with Argentine culture, literature, politics and ethnicity issues, and also tango dance lessons, walking tours in tango neighbourhoods, visits to tango dance halls on its various manifestations (traditional, alternative, LGTB+ oriented) and university courses related to Argentine music and identity.

Cultural trip Fall 22
The Fall semester students visited the Mendoza province to attend the 2022 Asamblea Popular por el Agua, an organization against mining projects that will pollute waters. This year, its activities also included the provision and sharing of native plants seeds to reforest the region.
News from Buenos Aires

Buenos Aires at the top of the QS Quacquarelli Symonds rankings

The University of Buenos Aires (UBA) reached 67th place in the QS Global Ranking, and once again established itself as the best valued institution in Ibero-America for the eighth consecutive year. Five of the UBA disciplines evaluated ranked in the top 50 in the world: Literature (25°); Anthropology (32°); Oil Engineering (36°); Sociology (39°) and Law (40°).

Buenos Aires once again consolidated its position as the best city in Latin America for international students in the last edition of the QS Best Student Cities Ranking. The index indicates that the City has the most diverse student population in Latin America, with a score of 76.2 out of 100 for the category, and the destination with the best quality of life and attractiveness for international students in the region.