



GUIDE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS FACULTY OF LAW PUCP

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THE FACULTY OF LAW OF PUCP



The Faculty of Law of PUCP welcomes international students who wish to do an exchange in our Faculty. Through this guide, the Academic Office for Internationalization (OAI) makes available all the necessary information, both about the academic training that is provided, as well as other important aspects that will give you a better student experience.

Any query or request can be sent to internacionalizacion-derecho@pucp.pe

ABOUT PUCP AND ITS FACULTY OF LAW

The Pontifical Catholic University of Peru (PUCP) is an academic community oriented to research and teaching, it gives an academic and humanistic formation and it's dedicated to study the national reality in order to achieve a fair and caring society. According to the 2021 QS ranking, PUCP is the best university of Peru, it's the 395¹ in the world and its Faculty of Law is between the 101-105² most prestigious faculties in the world.

The Faculty of Law is one of PUCP's oldest academic units. By means of the supreme resolution of March 24, 1917, the founding norm of the University, the constitution of the Faculty of Letters and Jurisprudence is authorized. Then, on April 29, 1919, legal education began with the first class, with a small group of twenty students. In 1936, the Faculty of Letters and Jurisprudence was divided to give rise to the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences, which finally became the Faculty of Law in 1956. On April 29, 2021, the hundred-second anniversary was celebrated, with more than 4000 students and 400 teachers.

¹ <https://www.topuniversities.com/universities/pontificia-universidad-catolica-del-peru>

² <https://www.topuniversities.com/university-rankings/university-subject-rankings/2021/law-legal-studies>



ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Courses and Enrollment

International students can request the updated list of courses before the beginning of the enrollment process, as well as the course summaries, by e-mail **internationalizacion-derecho@pucp.pe**; that is, during February for the first semester and during July for the second semester. In addition, enrollment in the courses takes place two weeks after the regular students and it is done in person. However, due to the pandemic, the enrollment process for international students is online for the moment. Vacancies are assigned on a first come, first serve basis.

International students will have the first week to attend classes in the courses of their interest and will decide their final enrollment in the chosen courses at the end of that week. Subsequently, no changes can be made to their schedules. However, they have the possibility of canceling courses before the corresponding deadline (4 weeks after the start), this does not imply being able to select new courses.



Academic Calendar

The academic calendar is updated annually [here](#). The academic year is divided in two semesters. Approximately, the first semester begins in mid-March and ends in mid-July, in the same way the second semester begins in mid-August and ends in early December.

Evaluation System

Ratings are expressed as whole numbers scaled from zero to twenty. The fraction of half a point or more will be raised to the highest integer, except for the case of grade ten for which no fraction counts in all types of evaluation or average.

Students can only skip one evaluation if the course design allows it, if more than one evaluation is lost, the student will not be able to recover the evaluation regardless of the reason.

Students can submit a request for a grade modification if they disagree with it. There are two modalities:

- **Requalification:** it is presented when the student disagrees with the grade assigned to one (s) question (s) of the evaluation or when it is omitted to qualify any of the questions. In the case of oral evaluations, the date on which the note was entered in the virtual Campus will be taken into account. If the student has the oral exam report that the teacher gave them, the date that appears on said report will be taken into account.
- **Rectification of grade:** it is presented when there was an error in the sum of the score in the evaluation, when the student failed to put their name (in which case another evaluation should be attached), when the evaluation grade does not coincide with the one that appears in the virtual campus, and when the final average of the course is not the one calculated by the student (this, only in courses that have a single evaluation: seminars, legal research methodology and social projection).

The deadline for submitting these requests is five business days, from the date the evaluations are available to the student, which appears on the reception stamp on the exam or test. Once the term expires, they will not be accepted for processing.

The requalifications and rectifications are resolved by the professor of the course within a period that will not exceed five working days from the date they are received. If you want to know more information about the evaluation in the Faculty of Law, you can enter [here](#).





About the Classes

If attendance is part of the course evaluation, absences may not exceed 30%; the teachers, if this limit is exceeded, will grade the student with zero (00) in the final average.



About Virtual Campus and PAIDEIA

PUCP provides two computer services that allow access to the bibliography, videos and other types of academic resources that are necessary to guarantee good teaching. First, there is the virtual campus³, through which you have access to the syllabus, evaluation scores, statistics and documents shared by the teacher.

Second, PUCP has an educational learning platform called PAIDEIA⁴, which is developed with the Moodle course management system and is a virtual learning environment aimed at facilitating the teaching-learning processes.

The platform allows access to ZOOM sessions, bibliography, participate in forums, perform evaluations, send messages to teachers or colleagues, among others. It is a tool that allows technologies to be included interactively during the academic semester.

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Mayor información:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gxGQym2CrFI&ab_channel=Direcci%C3%B3ndeTecnolog%C3%ADasdeInformaci%C3%B3nDTI

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Mayor información:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1RzxKBYqCxc&ab_channel=PUCPINTERNATIONAL



SPANISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE



Spanish, according to the Santander scholarship blog⁵, is the second most widely spoken native language in the world and the fourth if we also consider the speakers who learn Spanish as a foreign language. In this sense, the PUCP Law School offers the opportunity to learn and strengthen the communication skills of international students in the Spanish language, through its different courses. Likewise, PUCP offers two alternatives for learning Spanish as a foreign language.



For international students who do not have any knowledge of the Spanish language and wish to learn the language beforehand, the PUCP Language Center (Idiomas PUCP) offers online Spanish learning courses that provide a program with a with a holistic methodology. that allows international students to know and practice the language before visiting the PUCP Campus. Information regarding the program can be found [here](#).

In the case of international students who have already taken previous Spanish courses and wish to perfect their proficiency on the language during their stay at PUCP, the Faculty of Letters and Human Sciences offers the possibility of taking intermediate or advanced Spanish courses during the semester in which the international student is carrying out his exchange. The courses last the entire semester and can be count as credit if approved by their respective home university. Details about it can be seen [here](#).

⁵ <https://www.becas-santander.com/es/blog/idiomas-mas-hablados.html>

LIBRARIES

PUCP

Central Library

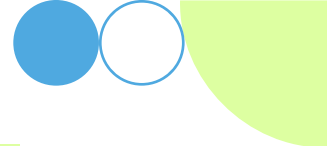
It currently has more than 150 thousand titles of monographic publications and more than 5 thousand titles of periodical publications. In total, there are more than 315 thousand resources including books, audiovisual material, magazines, newspapers, maps or electronic resources.

In 1960 a policy was designed to centralize information resources for students and teachers. Thus, the Central Library or main building that houses most of the bibliographic collections for the areas of humanities, law, education, art, among others, was established.

Our library has also been enriched by the donation and purchase of unique collections, such as that of Javier Pérez de Cuéllar and the documentary collection of the poet Martín Adán, Juan Manuel Bákula or José María Arguedas.



It features study cubicles, open book shelves, and more than 200 reading spaces within the first, second, third, and fourth floors. Additionally, in basement 1 there are collections of newspapers and on the first floor the newspaper library with different contents.



Academic Innovation Complex (CIA)

CIA is made up of a building with multiple classrooms and a library conceived as a center for knowledge and information management. Both buildings have spaces that promote meeting, socialization and collective learning beyond the classroom.

In this way, the application of new and modern pedagogical approaches that adapt to the mentality of the students becomes possible. The library has several cubicles to facilitate the coordination of group work. In addition, in basement 2 there is Sala Uno, a cafeteria and a dynamic space for carrying out academic and student activities.

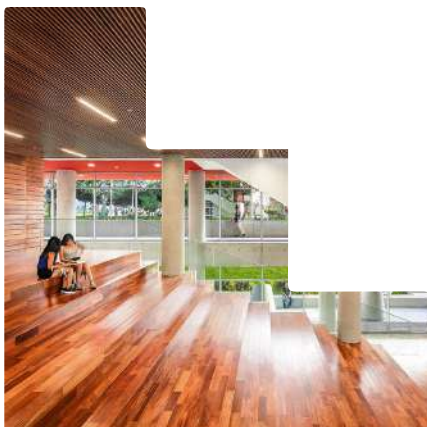




Social Sciences Complex

The Social Sciences Complex is an innovative building, the construction uses seismic dissipators. In addition, it uses bioclimatic strategies to reduce the environmental impact: all the landscaping of the building and its surroundings uses native plants with low water consumption.

Inside the Complex you can find the Social Sciences library, as well as between the two basements, and on the fourth floor there are various rest and study spaces, as well as a cafeteria on the 4th floor, which is an open-air space. From the fifth to the ninth floor there are administrative offices of the Academic Department of Social Sciences.



ACADEMIC AND PSYCHOLOGICAL ORIENTATION



The PUCP has a Directorate of Student Affairs that includes, among others, services to guarantee psychological well-being and health services. You can find out all about them by visiting their website [here](#).

Psychological well-being

The Psychological Wellbeing team, made up of specialized psychologists, supports the student community in the development and strengthening of personal resources to face the challenges of university life. Among the programs offered, there is psychological counseling that addresses academic, emotional, vocational and interpersonal issues. You can access this service by sending an email to **psicoped@pucp.edu.pe**. In addition, there are constant workshops on psychological well-being and in urgent cases in which comprehensive professional care is required; you can contact the email **daes@pucp.edu.pe**.



Additionally, the Law School has the Office of Career and Welfare Plan, which aims to improve the levels of well-being of students, thus focusing its actions on developing motivation, the ability to deal with stress, satisfaction with the career, knowledge and development of strengths. You can contact the office through this email: **bienestar-derecho@pucp.pe**.

Likewise, the Faculty offers a specialized pedagogical service in guiding and advising law students in different areas of personal development. If you want to access this service you can contact **derechopsicoped@pucp.edu.pe**.

Health Services

As a PUCP student, you will be able to access consultations with specialists to attend to any health issue; the scheduling of your appointments will be done according to your availability in a virtual way. In addition, nutritional counseling is offered to improve the quality of life through healthy diets and recommendations from a professional nutritionist who teaches how to prevent diseases and balance physical and intellectual wear and tear resulting from daily activities. You can check the website [here](#) if you want more information.



CAMPUS AND STUDENT SERVICES

Tinkuy Student Services Building

This space is made up of a food court on the first floor, a Cafe, multipurpose area and dining room, as well as a space for recreation on the second floor. In addition, on the third floor there are cubicles, study tables, a rest room for teachers and students, as well as library services and photocopiers.





Free classrooms and computers

To facilitate study, the university makes free classrooms available to students during different time ranges and in various units. It also offers free technology classrooms at certain times where students can access free computers to do any academic activity; the availability update can be checked [here](#).



Sports Services

The Sports Services team encourages physical activity and seeks to promote good habits throughout the university community, for which it has coaches, physical trainers and instructors of recognized trajectory. To ensure the proper, good quality practice of physical activity and sport on campus there is the multi-sports Coliseum, fields and slabs, a modern gym and other multifunctional spaces professionally designed for that purpose.

Members of the PUCP community are offered the possibility of practicing up to 17 sports activities without any payment: chess, athletics, basketball, baseball, soccer, futsal, karate, kung fu, swimming, fronton, rugby, tae kwon do, tennis table among others.

In addition, the PUCP community has the possibility of paying access to the gym, counseling with a personal trainer, Pilates classes, among other benefits. The Athletic Services Office provides more information [here](#).



Green Areas

The PUCP has approximately 14 hectares of green areas that promote different recreational activities and houses various species of fauna that are part of the PUCP community. You can check the Ecorruta of the campus on this [interactive map](#).





Dining rooms and cafeterias

The university has four dining rooms that provide a balanced menu to the university students, they are:

- **Comedor central:**
Located next to the Law Auditorium.
- **Comedor de letras:**
In Tontódromo (main hallway of the university), in front of Tinkuy.
- **Comedor de arte:**
In Tontódromo, in front of the Faculty of Law and the Faculty of Social Sciences.
- **Comedor de administración:**
It is located next to the Faculty of Administration and Accounting.



Likewise, there are two cafeterias on the campus: Juan Valdez and 338, as well as two restaurants. The first, Charlotte, is located on the fifth floor of the Macgregor building and on the first floor of the Faculty of Sciences and Engineering is Tangente, a restaurant that offers buffet to weight and evening dishes. There are also several kiosks, such as the one located in the Letters parking lot or the Fruit Shop in front of the Faculty of Architecture.

Wireless Network

The campus offers internet connection through a wireless network allowing it to provide greater mobility to its students and internet access from anywhere in the university. To access the wireless network service you can request the access code at the party table of the Faculty of Law.



PUCP Móvil

PUCP Móvil is the application for both Android and IOS, which allows you to carry all the facilities of the Virtual Campus on your cellphone. This allows establishing a secure Intranet session that will remain active on the mobile until the 'Close session' option is used.

By downloading this app and logging in with your PUCP username and password, you will be able to access class schedules, grades, weekly programming of dishes offered in the University cafeterias, courses, documents, among others, anywhere and at any time. This application is available on iTunes [here](#) and on Google Play [here](#).



CULTURAL COMPETENCES AND ACTIVITIES

Interfaculties

The Interfaculties is the sports festival in which all the faculties (students, teachers and administrators) compete through sports, dance and cultural activities. This competition is held annually in the first semester of the year.



At the opening, the 5-minute cultural activity takes place where all the faculties surprise with their art and talent, with this activity the competition begins. Subsequently, the representatives of all the faculties face each other in 16 sports disciplines: men's soccer, futsal (women and men), basketball (women and men), chess, athletics (women and men), cycling (women and men), powerlifting, swimming, fronton paddle, table tennis, air rifle shooting and mixed volleyball. Also, during a cultural Thursday, there is one contest called "Bailetón" and, as the closing of the event, all the faculties present a folk dance at the Cultural Night, where the winning faculty is revealed.



Law Week - Olympics

The Federated Center of the Faculty of Law of the PUCP organizes every year, in the second semester, the traditional Law Week, an internal competition of the Faculty where the different promotions compete.

The Law Week begins with an inauguration parade, the presentation of the dances by all promotions. Likewise, at night, the institutional party of the Faculty of Law called the "Pre Encerrona" is organized. Then, the sports competition of the event begins, the gymkhana and the dance.





PUCP Cultural Center

Created in 1994, the headquarters of the PUCP Cultural Center has a projection room, a conference room, a theater room, two exhibition galleries, six classrooms, and rooms for board meetings. It also has a café and a bookstore. In addition to being the organizer of the Lima Film Festival, a film event that is organized every year in August, it hosts temporary art exhibitions, regularly presents plays, and offers artistic courses and workshops. International students can access all activities with a PUCP community discount.



LOCATION AND LIFE IN LIMA

Location

Places near PUCP



Distance from districts to PUCP



Accommodation Information

The PUCP does not have its own residence. However, the International Student Mobility Section (DARI) makes available to international students lists of families and residences, which should be contacted directly. The request for information can be made to the email exchange@pucp.edu.pe or promydes@pucp.edu.pe.

Living Costs in Lima

Lima is the capital of Peru and the most populated nationwide. The city is made up of traditional architecture from the colonial era and new trends, it has various entertainment spaces, parks, cultural centers, museums and due to its location in the country, it facilitates tourism around the country.

You can check references and approximate living costs [here](#) or in this other [link](#).

LINKS OF INTEREST IN CASE OF EMERGENCIES

In the event of any emergency that may arise during your stay in Peru, remember that you can resort to the following contacts to deal with the problems presented:

General Corps of Volunteer Firefighters in Lima

- **Contact number:** 116
- **Website:** http://www.bomberosperu.gob.pe/portal/net_principal.aspx
- **Emergency tracking:** <https://sgonorte.bomberosperu.gob.pe/24horas>



National Police of Peru

- **Contact number:** 105
- **Police Emergency Roads:** 110
- **Website:** <https://www.gob.pe/pnp>



Serenazgo San Miguel

The PUCP is located in the San Miguel district, so you can also use the Serenazgo if necessary.

- **Contact number:** 01 715-9700 *8001
- **Whastapp:** +51 934 384 048
- **Website:** <http://www.munisanmiguel.gob.pe/municipalidad-de-san-miguel/mas-seguro/alerta-san-miguel/>



Embassies

Also, [here](#) you can verify the addresses and telephone numbers of the accredited embassies in Peru. If you require information about the respective Consulate, remember to check the web portal of the governing body of Foreign Relations of your country. Likewise, links to the web pages of the embassies of the countries that most frequently visit the PUCP are included here:



Alemania:

<https://lima.diplo.de/-pe-es/-/2456662>



España:

<http://www.exteriores.gob.es/consulados/lima/es/Paginas/inicio.aspx>



Francia:

<https://pe.ambafrance.org/-Contactos->



Estados Unidos:

<https://pe.usembassy.gov/es/>



Brasil:

http://lima.itamaraty.gov.br/es-es/cita_para_solicitud_de_servicios_consulares.xml



México:

<https://embamex.sre.gob.mx/peru/#>

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