



El Salvador

In 2012-2013, 303 U.S. students studied in El Salvador for academic credit.

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Education System Overview:

- **Academic year:** January – November
- **Major school holidays/break:** November – December
- **Major exam period:** October – November

Structure of the university system:

- **Years of study required to earn a bachelor's degree:** 5 years
- **The language of instruction in universities:** Spanish
- **Degrees offered:** Bachelors and Masters

Resources:

Organization: Ministry of Education
Website: <http://www.mined.gob.sv>

Organization: Central American Council on Accreditation
Website: www.cca.ucr.ac.cr

Organization: El Salvador Foundation for Integral Education (FIDESAL), Becas Fantel
Website: www.fedisal.org.sv/fantel

Organization: Higher Education Accrediting Commission of El Salvador
Website: www.mined.gob.sv/cda/acreditacion_institucional.htm

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- [**How to Apply for U.S. Passport**](#)



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- [Country Specific Travel Information](#)

U.S. Government-Sponsored Study and Exchange Programs

- [Fulbright U.S. Student Program](#)
- [Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program](#)
- [Gilman International Scholarship](#)