Universidade Federal de Ouro Preto - Federal University of Ouro Preto (UFOP) is a higher education and research institution located in Minas Gerais State, southeastern Brazil. It was founded on August 21st, 1969, as a consolidation of two significant preexisting institutions: Escola de Farmácia - School of Pharmacy (1839), the first School of Pharmacy in Latin America, and Escola de Minas - School of Mines (1876), founded by the French mineralogist Henry Gorceix and the first Brazilian institution aimed to teach Mining, Metallurgy and Geology.

In addition to Escola de Minas and the Escola de Farmácia, UFOP covers all areas of knowledge in 13 academic units, distributed across four campi (located in the cities of Ouro Preto, Mariana and João Monlevade). The main campus is located in Ouro Preto, a multicultural city with a vast calendar with some of the biggest cultural and artistic events in Brazil. It was the first place in Brazil to be considered by UNESCO as a World Cultural Heritage. UFOP comprises 142 research laboratories (in 2018 its patent number 130 was registered), approximately 300 outreach projects (community engagement), 12 libraries (including a rare books library from 18th and 19th centuries), a Center of Arts and Conventions, a Movie Theater, and some museums, as the Museum of Pharmacy and the Museum of Mineralogy.
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Programs

- 55 Undergraduate
- 15 Doctorate
- 24 Master
- 07 Professional Master

Undergraduate Programs

**Ouro Preto**
- Architecture and Urban Planning (B)
- Biological Sciences (B/L)
- Chemistry (B/L)
- Civil Engineering (B)
- Computer Science (B)
- Control and Automation Engineering (B)
- Environmental Engineering (B)
- Food Science and Technology (B)
- Geography (L - Distance Learning)
- Geological Engineering (B)
- Industrial Chemistry (B)
- Industrial Engineering (B)
- Law (B)
- Mathematics (B/L)
- Mathematics (L - Distance Learning)
- Mechanical Engineering (B)
- Medicine (B)
- Metallurgical Engineering (B)
- Mining Engineering (B)
- Museology (B)
- Music (L)
- Nutrition (B)
- Pedagogy (L - Distance Learning)
- Performing Arts (B/L)
- Pharmacy (B)
- Philosophy (B/L)
- Physical Education (B/L)
- Physics (B/L)
- Public Administration (B - Distance Learning)
- Statistics (B)
- Tourism (B)
- Urban Engineering (B)

**Mariana - Institute of Human and Social Sciences - ICHS**
- History (B/L)
- Language Studies - Portuguese (L)
- Language Studies - English (L)
- Language Studies - Translation (B)
- Languages - Literary Studies (B)
- Pedagogy (L)

**Mariana - Institute of Applied Social Sciences - ICSA**
- Business Management (B)
- Economic Sciences (B)
- Journalism (B)
- Social Work (B)

**João Monlevade - Institute of Exact and Applied Sciences - ICEA**
- Computer Engineering (B)
- Electrical Engineering (B)
- Industrial Engineering (B)
- Information Systems (B)

**B**: Bachelor - the degree provides its holder with skills for the exercise of academic or professional activities in a particular field of knowledge

**L**: Licentiate - the degree allows its holder to be a teacher both in primary and secondary education
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Programs

Master Programs
- Applied Economics
- Biological Sciences
- Biotechnology
- Chemistry
- Civil Engineering
- Communication
- Computer Science
- Crustal Evolution and Natural Resources
- Ecology of Tropical Biomes
- Education
- Environmental Engineering
- Geotechnics
- Health and Nutrition
- History
- Industrial Engineering
- Language Studies
- Law
- Materials Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Mineral Engineering
- Performing Arts
- Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Philosophy
- Sciences

Doctorate Programs
- Biotechnology
- Biological Sciences
- Civil Engineering
- Computer Science
- Crustal Evolution and Natural Resources
- Education
- Environmental Engineering
- Geotechnics
- Health and Nutrition
- History
- Materials Engineering
- Mining Engineering
- Multicentric Chemistry
- Pharmaceutical Nanotechnology
- Pharmaceutical Sciences

Professional Master Programs
- Environmental Socioeconomic Sustainability
- Geotechnical Engineering
- Instrumentation, Control and Automation of Mining Processes
- Mathematical Education
- Mathematics (National Network)
- Metallic Construction
- Science Teaching

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ACADEMIC INFORMATION AND MOBILITY

Application deadline
1st semester: November 15th
2nd semester: May 15th

Academic calendar
1st semester (March to July)
2nd semester (August to December)

Application procedures
After selecting the students that will come to UFOP, the partner University needs to send an e-mail to international@ufop.edu.br indicating their names (nomination).

In order to send the application, the nominated student must access our website and fill out an online application form, available at: https://www.caint.ufop.br/application-forms

The student is supposed to fill it out with their information, upload the required documents and send it to us for evaluation. If everything is alright, the Acceptance Letter will be issued and sent to the student and to the University with detailed information about the following steps and procedures.

The documents that must be uploaded in the application form at our website are the following ones:

- Copy of the home university academic transcript;
- Copy of the passport;
- Signed motivation letter;
- Application form signed by the coordinator (available in the application form);
- Certificate/declaration of enrollment from home university

We do not have a specific number of students from your institution that we can receive for each semester. You can nominate as many interested students as you wish. Their applications will be analyzed according to our availability

Programs Curriculum
The undergraduate programs curriculum can be found at https://www.caint.ufop.br/undergraduate-programs and the graduate programs curriculum are available at https://caint.ufop.br/postgraduate-programs

The syllabus (description of content) of the subjects/courses can be found at https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1ZwL0pcJ9cNTHjEtzeU3CmZrjZDD7VA

Grading system
UFOP uses a 10 scale grading system and the current passing mark is 6.0 combined with a minimum attendance of 75% of the academic activities.

Portuguese classes
The University offers a free Portuguese language course. Classes take place at CAINT’s Training Room and at Mariana Campus. We will provide the schedule in the Welcome Meeting and the students can sign up for this course.
**Visa requirement**

Students who intend to spend the whole semester at UFOP (more than 90 days) must apply for a student’s visa. More information can be found at [www.portalconsular.itamaraty.gov.br/vistos-para-viajar-ao-brasil](http://www.portalconsular.itamaraty.gov.br/vistos-para-viajar-ao-brasil).

**Health insurance**

It is strongly recommended that students contract health and repatriation insurance that covers the whole period of their stay in Brazil.

**University restaurant**

UFOP students have access to the University Restaurant, which is open from Monday to Friday (lunch and dinner). Each meal costs BRL 3.00.

**International student guide**

We advise students to take a look at our International Student Guide in order to get detailed information about UFOP and its campuses cities: Ouro Preto, Mariana and João Monlevade.

The guide is available at [www.caint.ufop.br/images/PDFs/Guia_Aluno_Estrangeiro.pdf](http://www.caint.ufop.br/images/PDFs/Guia_Aluno_Estrangeiro.pdf)

**Language requirements**

Although UFOP doesn’t require an official proficiency certificate, students must be aware that classes are taught in Portuguese language.

Subjects in English are occasionally offered. For more information about it, please contact us.
**Foreigner’s identity card**

Before the 30th day after the students’ arrival in Brazil, they must attend in person to Policia Federal (Federal Police) Office in Belo Horizonte City (the closest one from UFOP), in order to apply for their Carteira de Registro Nacional Migratório (a foreigners’ identity card). This document is mandatory for any foreigner staying in Brazil more than 3 months. The current cost of the document is BRL 204.77. Detailed information about it will be provided in the Welcome Meeting.

**Accommodation**

Students at UFOP have the chance to have a unique housing experience, unlike any other part of Brazil: they are called Repúblicas, which can be either federal (public) or private students residences. The average price is about R$350-R$450 per month, including several services, such as internet, utility bills, cleaning, etc.

Unfortunately we still cannot guarantee the international students a free of payment room at the Repúblicas, but we can certainly help them find a place to stay here through Welcome Project members.

**Transportation from the airport to UFOP**

UFOP provides free transportation from Belo Horizonte to Ouro Preto and Mariana, leaving from Belo Horizonte International Airport (Confins Airport). The free transportation is available from Monday to Friday, at 9:30am or at 4:00pm.

The student can go by himself/herself from Confins International Airport to Belo Horizonte Bus Station by taxi, bus (CONEXÃO AEROPORTO COMPANY) or Uber, and then to Ouro Preto or Mariana by bus (PÁSSARO VERDE COMPANY), or to João Monlevade (GONTIJO COMPANY).

We’ll send students a Guide about it together with their Acceptance Letter.
Welcome Project

Welcome Project is formed by a team of students selected to support the International Office (CAINT) on assisting the foreign students. It was inspired in diverse “buddy programs” maintained by many universities around the world. They constitute a social network that links the foreign students to the academic community, the culture, the people and the places surrounding it. You can contact them at welcome@ufop.edu.br.

The project has a biannual Calendar of Activities that offers special cultural activities for the foreign students, starting with the Welcome Meeting in the beginning of each semester. The meeting is an important opportunity for the foreign students to overcome language barriers and get help with the enrollment bureaucracy and their stay in the city.

Average living cost in the cities

Price estimations:
- Food PF*: R$7,00 - 15,00
- Food by Kg**: R$20,00 - 40,00
- Bread roll by kg: R$10,00 - 12,00
- Bottle of water 500 ml: R$2,00 - 3,50
- Soda (can): R$3,00 - 5,00
- Woman’s haircut: R$20,00 - 55,00
- Man’s haircut: R$12,00 - 20,00
- Bus or Shared taxi: R$3,20
- UFOP’s Movie Theater: for free

* "PF" is an abbreviation for “Prato Feito”.
In Brazil, there are many restaurants that serve a standard meal (generally rice, beans, salad and meat) for a set price.

** Restaurants in Brazil that serve “Food by kg” are self-service restaurants.