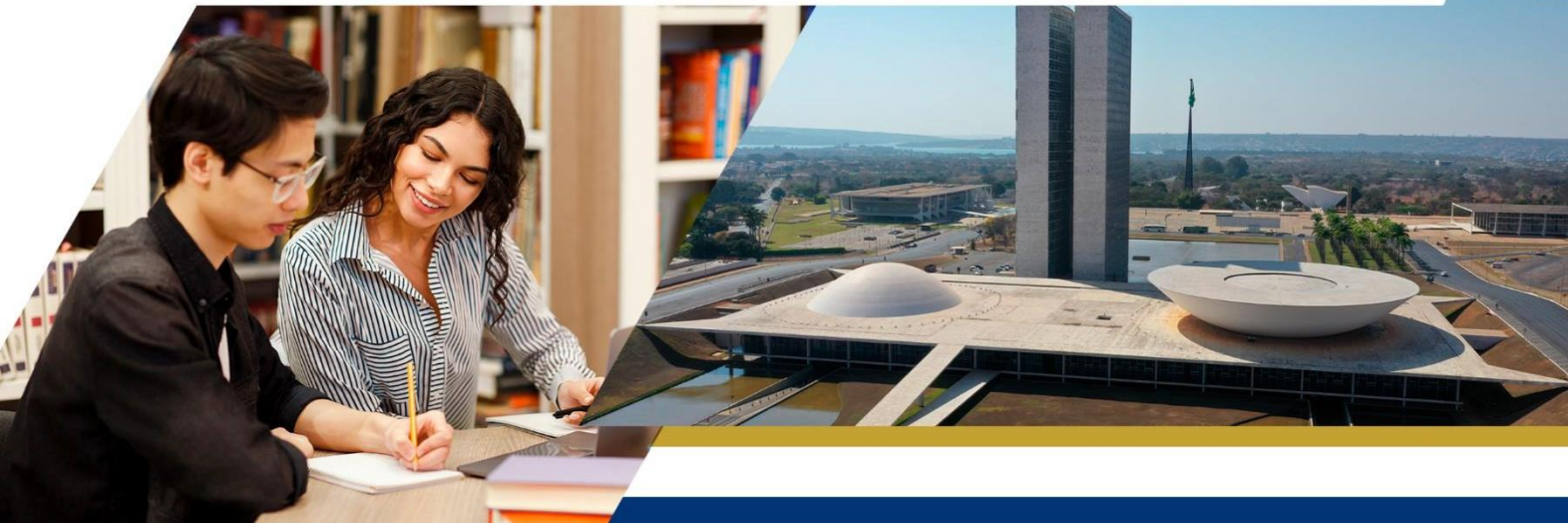




FACT SHEET

# Student Exchange Program School of Public Policy and Government



## FGV HISTORY

A journey of major contributions to Brazil's socioeconomic development and growth – that is the best way to describe FGV's history spanning more than 70 years. Established in 1944 with the initial goal of training qualified administrators to work in Brazil's public and private sectors, FGV transcended the boundaries of education and expanded into the areas of research and information, ultimately becoming a renowned center of excellence and quality.



In line with its pioneering and bold spirit, FGV launched the first undergraduate and graduate degrees in public and business administration in Brazil, as well as other non-degree graduate courses in economics, psychology, accounting, and education.

The institution also laid the foundation for a solid economy, calculating the balance of payments indicators, national accounts, and economic indexes. These initiatives have helped professionals – and citizens – to better understand Brazil's economic and social performance.

## FGV INSTITUTIONAL VALUES



We are an institution with a track record of seriousness and competence, having provided services for more than 70 years. At the same time, we are innovative and dynamic;



We are a nonpartisan institution, although we are strongly committed to Brazil's national interest;



While striving to generate equal opportunities, we defend the right to unequal outcomes as a result of merit;



Technically speaking, we seek to be the best in all areas in which we operate.

## FGV RATED THE WORLD'S THIRD MOST IMPORTANT THINK TANK

FGV rises two places in global ranking and stands out for best COVID-19 policies and institutional responses.

Fundação Getulio Vargas was rated the world's third most important think tank, up to two places from last year, in the latest Global Go to Think Tank Index Report, which has just been published by the University of Pennsylvania. FGV competed against more than 11,000 peers in a vote by almost 4,000 specialists on five continents, including academics, businesspeople, and public officials. For the 11th consecutive year, FGV was rated the most influential institution in Latin America and, for the fifth consecutive year, it was rated the world's best-administered think tank. Twelve years ago, when FGV first featured in the ranking (which has existed for 13 years), it was ranked 27th in the world.

## FGV EPPG

The School of Public Policy and Government was established in Brasilia as part of FGV's efforts to expand its physical presence in Brazil's political center, thereby contributing more significantly to the country's development. In 2019, the School launched its Master's program in Public Policy and Government (MPPG), as well as the Professional Master's and Doctorate in Economics (MDPE). In 2020 and 2022, it introduced a Bachelor of Public Administration and the Bachelor of Management, respectively.

In this short period of five years, MPPG has consolidated as one of the most productive graduate program in the area of political science. For the years 2021 and 2022 it was the most productive graduate program in Brazil, among 85 graduate programs, of which 25 are doctoral programs.

In 2022, just in its third year, MPPG was awarded by the Ministry of Education of Brazil, the most impactful program in public policy in the country.



## THE COURSE: A LEADERSHIP TRAINING ACADEMY

A unique experience in a friendly academic atmosphere where a student is never merely a number but rather an individual with one own's strengths, talents, and virtues. It functions as a training academy, requiring full-time dedication and launching students on their journey to positively affect the world.

## LEADERSHIP FOR CHANGE

Students are encouraged to develop their leadership skills through social impact projects.

Over four years, innovative, creative, and seemingly insurmountable challenges are at the core of our comprehensive training. These challenges require research, planning, training, and teamwork. In the first year, the challenge is local, related to the Federal District, encompassing the area's history, economics, geography, biomes, and social problems. It concludes with an expedition lasting several days to Chapada dos Veadeiros National Park. In the second year, the challenge is about a topic of national significance, such as the Amazon and everything it represents for Brazil and its people, ending with a week-long expedition to the region. In the third year, the challenge addresses the historic struggles for liberation and independence in Latin America, probably culminating in an expedition to Patagonia. In the fourth year, the challenge is global, on an issue such as climate change or pandemics, most likely culminating in a month-long hike along remote trails from France to Spain.



## BRASILIA

Brasília, inaugurated as Brazil's capital in 1960, is a planned city distinguished by its white, modern architecture, chiefly designed by Oscar Niemeyer. Laid out in the shape of an airplane, its "fuselage" is the Monumental Axis, 2 wide avenues flanking a massive park. In the "cockpit" is *Praça dos Três Poderes*, named for the 3 branches of government surrounding it.

## TOURISM

All three branches of Brazil's federal government are centered in the city: Executive, Legislative, and Judiciary. Brasilia also hosts 124 foreign embassies. The city's international airport connects it to all other major Brazilian cities and some international destinations, it is the third-busiest airport in Brazil.

Prosperous and artistic, Brasilia is today designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site thanks to its modern architectural style and progressive urban planning. The city's futuristic vibe and perfect order appeals to travelers, as does the color and culture to be found in every part of town. Brasilia really is a success history and a true feat of modern-day urban planning, which rather comes alive at night, when the most impressive buildings are up-lit in a dramatic fashion.

### **Some reasons why you are going to love Brasilia:**

- Amazing architecture;
- Lush natural park;
- Thriving contemporary arts scene;
- Well-connected city;
- Center of gastronomic delights.

For more information, visit:

<http://www.brasilia.df.gov.br/sightseeing-tour-in-brasilia/>

## CHAPADA DOS VEADEIROS

Chapada dos Veadeiros is a natural area in the state of Goiás, Brazil. It is also the name of a National Park, listed as a World Natural Heritage Site by UNESCO for being an outstanding preservation area of the Cerrado – one of the world's oldest and most diverse tropical ecosystems.



## COST OF LIVING

Housing: Renting a room usually varies from R\$ 2,000 to R\$ 2,500 per month in the North Wing of the city (one of the better areas of Brasilia, and close to the university).



### Food:

around R\$ 900 per month



### Transportation (bus and metro tickets):

R\$ 330 per month

## HOUSING

Fundação Getulio Vargas does not have its own housing (residences or accommodation). Therefore, international students need to seek private accommodation. Although we are not able to find private accommodation on students' behalf and are not responsible for the below websites, it might be helpful to start looking at the following:

[easyRoommate®](#)

[airbnb](#)

[craigslist](#)

## HEALTH INSURANCE

Students must have complete health insurance coverage for the whole exchange period. A copy of the insurance policy providing minimum coverage of EUR 30,000 (thirty thousand euros) or \$ 42,000 (forty-two thousand US dollars), for the whole period of the chosen course, insurance should also cover posthumous repatriation. This should be presented with the other documents required for enrollment at FGV EPPG. Health insurance for travelers is usually provided by travel agencies from the country of origin. Brazilian health insurance for foreigners is expensive.



## FEDERAL POLICE

All foreigners remaining in Brazil for more than 90 days are required to register with the Federal Police within 30 days of their arrival. Documents required for registration can be found here:

<http://www.pf.gov.br/servicos-pf/passaporte/documentos/documentos/01-carteira-de-identidade-de-estrangeiro>

Students will be assisted by the International Office to fulfill this requirement, if necessary. Upon registration, students will receive a slip from the Federal Police, a copy of which must be provided to FGV EPPG no later than one month after term begins.

## COURSE LOAD

Exchange students can choose from a number of free courses. If the students cannot find sufficient options for their academic needs, they are welcome to enroll on courses offered by other FGV schools - such as Mathematics, Economics, Management, Social Sciences, and International Relations.

## LANGUAGE

All undergraduate students have their classes of the second semester of the third year (equivalent to fall semester in northern countries) fully in English. Also, selected master courses are also taught in English during the first semester. Given that courses will differ from one year to the other, we can provide the list for a specific semester upon request. For master programs we can also organize one-week intensive courses for groups of students.

## DRESS CODE

Fundação Getulio Vargas has a strict dress code. People wearing short skirts, shorts, and/or flip-flops will be denied access to the building. Students who fail to comply with this regulation will not be allowed entry.

## ATTENDANCE

The student fails if his/her attendance by the end of the period is less than 75%.

## WORKLOAD

Undergraduate Program: each subject may have a workload of 36 or 72 contact hours.





## VISA APPLICATION



All international students must obtain a student visa to study in Brazil. The acceptance letter is one of the documents required by the Brazilian Consulate to issue a student visa. For comprehensive information regarding visa application, students should contact the local Brazilian Consulate.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Partners should nominate their students by e-mail ([ioepgg@fgv.br](mailto:ioepgg@fgv.br)) by sending their full name, a copy of passport and e-mail contact. At this point, our International Office will contact students directly to issue an acceptance letter and provide all registration and enrollment instructions. The required documents to complete registration and enrollment procedures are:

- Copy passport and visa;
- Academic records;
- 1 3x4cm photograph (or passport photograph);
- Evidence of sufficient means of subsistence for the duration of the exchange, if you are not on a scholarship;
- Copy of insurance policy providing minimum coverage of EUR 30,000 (thirty thousand euros) or \$ 42.000 (forty-two thousand US dollars), for the whole period of the chosen course, this should also cover posthumous repatriation, valid for the total period of the exchange program;
- National Alien Registration Card (CIE);
- Registration Form completed and signed.

**All documents must be submitted to [ioepgg@fgv.br](mailto:ioepgg@fgv.br)**

International Office will assess all documents. Should any doubts arise, further documents and/or clarifications may be requested. An Acceptance Letter will then be issued, signed by the relevant Program Coordinator (Bachelor or Masters).

## NOMINATION DATES

Partner institutions can send nominations by email to [ioeppg@fgv.br](mailto:ioeppg@fgv.br).  
For the Fall Semester (classes from late July/ early August to mid-December), nominations should be sent until April.

## PERIOD OF EXCHANGE

Fall Semester

At least one week before the beginning of classes. EPPG recommends that students attend the Orientation Day organized by the Coordinator of the Program. The date will be informed in advance in order to help students with their travel arrangements.

## ELECTRICITY

Since 2012, Brazil has adopted a new electrical outlet type. To avoid problems with recharging your electronic devices, please bring an adaptor or buy one when you arrive (220v).

## WEATHER

Brasília in a single day can be hot and cold. It is necessary to carry a bottle of water, a hat, sunscreen, and sunglasses, as the sky here is simply wonderful and much clearer than other places, which can also be a danger to skin. Remember to bring an umbrella as it rains almost every day between October and January, usually in the afternoon, which also refreshes the city and keeps relative humidity at good levels (over 70%). Brasilia has great parks and green spaces, excellent areas for a picnics or bike rides.

## INTERNATIONAL OFFICE

(Responsible for agreements, international courses, events, and incoming and outgoing students)

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