



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES
CAVE HILL CAMPUS, BARBADOS, WEST INDIES

UWI Barbados – Practical Information



The University of the West Indies Cave Hill Campus is located near the capital city of Bridgetown, overlooking the Caribbean Sea. With a student population of about 8,000, Cave Hill has a personal feel, while at the same time offers a wide range of courses to UPEI exchange students, including courses in Sciences, Humanities, and Social Sciences.

The UNESCO World Heritage site of historic Bridgetown provides for a unique exchange experience. There is plenty to see and do in this lively city, including admiring its architecture, shopping, or experiencing its restaurants and local culture.

Website

- Main website: <http://www.cavehill.uwi.edu/>
- International Office website: <http://www.cavehill.uwi.edu/international/>

International Office Contact Information

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Application Deadline

- For both first and second semesters: **April 30, 2017**

Semester Dates

- First semester: September-December
- Second semester: January-May

Exchange Application

http://www.cavehill.uwi.edu/international/intl/study_options.asp#Exchange

Exchange/ Study Abroad Flyer

http://www.cavehill.uwi.edu/international/intl/resources/study_abroad_in_Barbados.pdf

International Student Testimonials

<http://www.cavehill.uwi.edu/international/intl/testimonials.asp>

International Student FAQ

<http://www.cavehill.uwi.edu/international/intl/faqs.asp>

Courses

You can customize your study program at Cave Hill by browsing its course handbooks. Scroll near the bottom of each handbook to find courses offered for the 2016-2017 academic year, as well as information on prerequisites. These will be waived where proof of previous studies compare with UWI's requirements.

- Social Sciences: <http://www.cavehill.uwi.edu/chol/documents/handbooks/2016-2017/social-sciences-handbook-2016-2017.aspx>
- Science and Technology:
http://www.cavehill.uwi.edu/chol/documents/handbooks/2016-2017/faculty-of-science-and-technology-handbook_2016-20.aspx
- Humanities and Education:
<http://www.cavehill.uwi.edu/chol/documents/handbooks/2016-2017/fhe-undergraduate-handbook-2016-2017.aspx>

Accommodation

UWI has three halls of residence: Frank Worrell Hall, Philip Sherlock Hall, and Keith Hunt Hall. You must indicate on your exchange application form if you are interested in on-campus accommodation. A request will then be sent to the halls of residence on your behalf. Students who are unsuccessful in obtaining on-campus accommodation will be assisted in securing off-campus housing by the Halls Accommodation Assistant. For more information on accommodation:

<https://www.cavehill.uwi.edu/Accommodation/home.aspx>

Visa and Travel Information

For information on visas, immigration and arrival, see:

<http://www.cavehill.uwi.edu/international/intl/travelling.asp>

For Barbados travel advice and advisories see: <https://travel.gc.ca/destinations/barbados>

Cost of Living in Barbados

Restaurants

Meal, Inexpensive Restaurant	\$25 BBD
Meal for 2 People, Mid-range Restaurant, Three-course	\$150 BBD
McMeal at McDonalds (or Equivalent Combo Meal)	\$16 BBD
Domestic Beer (0.5 litre draught)	\$4 BBD
Imported Beer (0.33 litre bottle)	\$6 BBD
Cappuccino (regular)	\$7.17 BBD
Coke/Pepsi (0.33 liter bottle)	\$2.87 BBD
Water (0.33 liter bottle)	\$2.30 BBD

Rent Per Month

Apartment (1 bedroom) in City Centre	\$1,083.33 BBD
Apartment (1 bedroom) Outside of Centre	\$1,000 BBD
Apartment (3 bedrooms) in City Centre	\$2,040 BBD
Apartment (3 bedrooms) Outside of Centre	\$1,800 BBD

Utilities (Monthly)

Basic (Electricity, Heating, Water, Garbage) for 85m2 Apartment	\$255.83 BBD
Internet (10 Mbps, Unlimited Data, Cable/ADSL)	\$93.43 BBD

Markets

Milk (regular), (1 liter)	\$6.08 BBD
Loaf of Fresh White Bread (500g)	\$4.75 BBD
Rice (white), (1kg)	\$4.20 BBD
Eggs (12)	\$8.52 BBD
Local Cheese (1kg)	\$9.88 BBD
Chicken Breasts (Boneless, Skinless), (1kg)	\$16.40 BBD
Beef Round (1kg) (or Equivalent Back Leg Red Meat)	\$20.50 BBD
Apples (1kg)	\$7.83 BBD
Banana (1kg)	\$4.93 BBD
Oranges (1kg)	\$11.16 BBD
Tomato (1kg)	\$5.54 BBD
Potato (1kg)	\$7.36 BBD
Onion (1kg)	\$5.97 BBD
Lettuce (1 head)	\$3.73 BBD
Water (1.5 liter bottle)	\$6.39 BBD
Bottle of Wine (Mid-Range)	\$32.50 BBD
Domestic Beer (0.5 liter bottle)	\$3.05 BBD
Imported Beer (0.33 liter bottle)	\$5 BBD

Student Testimonials- UWI

Lydia Raynor (Winter 2015)

“The University of the West Indies is a welcoming campus, with a fun-loving student community. I enjoyed all of my courses while studying there, and enjoyed the diversity of teaching styles in courses compared to what I was used to back home. I rented a cute little apartment off-campus, that was only a 60-second walk from the beach, and I walked to the university each day. I was able to learn about the local culture, be a part of their activities, and even got to know many people in the community! My roommate and I explored all over the Island, and went to the traditional Bajan Fish-fries several times. Throughout the semester there were excursions arranged by the university and many of the exchange students participated. This was a great way to see the beautiful sights of Barbados as well as meet students from around the world. Studying abroad allows you to experience new cultures, meet new people and open the door to opportunities that you've never thought of, leaving you with enriched educational and life experiences.”



Jonathan Horrocks

“Turns out travelling to Barbados in the middle of January is exactly what you’d expect: the weather is hot, the beaches are inviting, and the people are relaxed and friendly. There’s also much more than meets the eye. Living there for four months allowed me to experience all that Barbados had to offer. There was the breathtaking East Coast, the Animal Flower cave on the north end of the Island, the farmer’s market in Bridgetown, and the fish fry down in Oistins every Friday night. UWI’s International Office was very effective at organizing activities to push students into the new culture. We did everything from a catamaran tour to swimming with turtles to submarine rides to zip lining.

UWI is located on the west coast of the island, only about a 10-minute walk from Paradise Beach. It’s only a short bus ride from main city of Bridgetown, but it’s far enough away from the touristic area of the island to allow you to experience the true culture of the region.



My time in Barbados really did change my life. Anyone going to university should seriously consider taking advantage of the opportunity to participate in an exchange program. You can see a new country, live in a new culture, and learn so much more than you can staying at home. At least, I certainly did.”

Kara MacLeod (Winter 2015)

“My best friend and I rented an apartment in St. James that was owned by a very nice couple. They were so helpful and kind to us. We were literally a one-minute walk to the beach. We spent so much time there, and the water was simply gorgeous. We had a chance to meet so many other exchange students, and we tried so many new and delicious foods, including the region’s famous fish fries. Everyone at the UWI campus was so friendly and helpful and we both really enjoyed our classes and learned a lot. The atmosphere and way of life was very different from home, but I was so glad I got to experience it. I also had a lot of fun learning how to live on my own. We enjoyed movie nights, sitting out on the deck to eat our supper, and cracking millions of coconuts. It was a great four months and I would encourage anyone to take advantage of this great opportunity to experience the world!”

