



COURSE GUIDE FOR INTERNATIONAL AND EXCHANGE STUDENTS

## English-Taught Courses at USFQ

Academic Year 2026–2027

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Exchange and international students may enroll in courses from any academic college, subject to prerequisite requirements and seat availability. All courses listed below are regularly offered in English.

### ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Fall Semester: August – December  
Spring Semester: January – May

### LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT

English B2 or higher required for all  
English-taught courses

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## Welcome to USFQ

Universidad San Francisco de Quito is Ecuador's leading liberal arts university, founded on the belief that a broad, interdisciplinary education is the foundation of meaningful professional and personal life. Our model — inspired by the great universities of the United States and Europe — places the free exchange of ideas, critical thinking, and cross-disciplinary inquiry at the heart of everything we do.

International and exchange students at USFQ have access to hundreds of courses taught entirely in English across our ten academic colleges, spanning fields as diverse as engineering, the sciences, law, business, communication, the arts, and the humanities. Whether you join us for a semester or a full academic year, you will find a vibrant, welcoming community of students and faculty from Ecuador and around the world.

We invite you to explore this guide and discover the courses that will make your time at USFQ both academically enriching and personally transformative.

## LIBERAL ARTS CORE

### Liberal Arts Core

Colegio General **CG**

| COURSE CODE | COURSE NAME             | CR. | PRE-REQ | SEMESTER OFFERED * |
|-------------|-------------------------|-----|---------|--------------------|
| ARL 1001E   | Self-knowledge          | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| ARL 1002E   | The Cosmos              | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| ARL 2001E   | The Self and The Cosmos | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| ENG 1001E   | Writing and Rhetoric    | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |

## ACADEMIC COLLEGES

### College of Business Administration

Colegio de Administración de Empresas

**CADE**

| COURSE CODE | COURSE NAME                  | CR. | PRE-REQ | SEMESTER OFFERED * |
|-------------|------------------------------|-----|---------|--------------------|
| ADM 3001E   | Human Resources              | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| ADM 3002E   | Entrepreneurship             | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| ADM 4006E   | Project Management           | 3   | No      | Spring             |
| ADM 4008E   | Innovation & Sustainability  | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| ADM 4082E   | Public Speaking in Business  | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| ECN 3081E   | Behavioral Economics         | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| ECN 3090E   | Health Economics             | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| ECN 3811E   | Development Economics        | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| ECN 4083E   | Data Science for Development | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| FIN 2001E   | Fundamentals of Finance      | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| FIN 4009E   | Valuation +Lab               | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| FIN 4010E   | Investments +Lab             | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| MAK 2001E   | Consumer Behavior            | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| MAK 3001E   | E-Commerce                   | 3   | No      | Spring             |
| MAK 3002E   | Market Research              | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| MAK 4001E   | Digital Marketing            | 3   | No      | Spring             |
| MAK 4003E   | Pricing and Distribution     | 3   | No      | Spring             |
| MAK 4004E   | Strategic Marketing          | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| NIT 3004E   | International Business       | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |

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### College of Architecture and Interior Design

Colegio de Arquitectura y Diseño Interior

**CADI**

| COURSE CODE | COURSE NAME               | CR. | PRE-REQ | SEMESTER OFFERED * |
|-------------|---------------------------|-----|---------|--------------------|
| ARQ 2401E   | History of Architecture 1 | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| ARQ 2402E   | History of Architecture 2 | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| ARQ 3403E   | History of Architecture 3 | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |

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## College of Biological and Environmental Sciences

Colegio de Ciencias Biológicas y Ambientales

COCIBA

| COURSE CODE | COURSE NAME                    | CR. | PRE-REQ | SEMESTER OFFERED * |
|-------------|--------------------------------|-----|---------|--------------------|
| BIO 1002E   | Basic Biology                  | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| BTC 2002E   | Topics in Biotechnology        | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| ECL 1001E   | Ecology & Resources of Ecuador | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| ECL 3002E   | Conservation Bio. &Global Sus. | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| ECL 3004E   | Intership in Cons. & Community | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| ECL 3005E   | Marine Bio. Of Coastal & Reef  | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| ECL 3006E   | Ecology Ecosys. & Evolution    | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| ECL 3069E   | Historical Ecology             | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| ECL 3074E   | Coral Reef Science and Managem | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| ECL 3086E   | Geographical Info System       | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| ECL 3091E   | Freshwater Ecology             | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| ECL 3095E   | Healthy Oceans                 | 3   | No      | Fall               |
| ECL 3109E   | Tropical Ecology +Pr           | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| ECL 3110E   | Tech. of Marine Research 1     | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |

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## College of Health Sciences

Colegio de Ciencias de la Salud

COCSA

| COURSE CODE | COURSE NAME               | CR. | PRE-REQ | SEMESTER OFFERED * |
|-------------|---------------------------|-----|---------|--------------------|
| MED 2081E   | Ethics in the Pacific Rim | 3   | No      | Fall               |
| MED 3008E   | Clinical Ethics           | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| NUT 1001E   | Human Nutrition +Lab      | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| NUT 3081E   | Psychology and Nutrition  | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| ODT 4006E   | Endodontic Emergencies    | 1   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| ODT 5704E   | Endodontic Boards         | 1   | Yes     | Spring             |

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## College of Sciences and Engineering

Colegio de Ciencias e Ingenierías

POLI

| COURSE CODE | COURSE NAME             | CR. | PRE-REQ | SEMESTER OFFERED * |
|-------------|-------------------------|-----|---------|--------------------|
| AGR 4005E   | Agrobiotechnology + Lab | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| ALI 4005E   | Food Biotechnology +Lab | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |

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|-------------|--------------------------------|-----|---------|--------------------|
| CMP 2102E   | Advanced C++ Programming       | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| CMP 4004E   | Artificial Intelligence        | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| CMP 4006E   | Cloud Computing                | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| CMP 5006E   | Computer Security              | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| FIS 4302E   | Modern Physics II              | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| FIS 4501E   | Quantum Mechanics 1            | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| FIS 4502E   | Quantum Mechanics II           | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| FIS 4601E   | Electromagnetic Theory         | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| ICV 4006E   | Computational Analysis in CE   | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| ICV 5002E   | Bridge Engineering             | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| IEE 4005E   | Integrated Circuits +Lab       | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| IEE 5002E   | Programmable Systems +Lab      | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| IIN 3007E   | AI for Business + Lab          | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| IME 4003E   | Heat Transfer +Lab/Pr          | 0   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| INA 3001E   | Environm Characterization +Lab | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| INA 3003E   | Environmental Chemistry +Lab   | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| INA 3081E   | Atmospheric Monitoring         | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| INA 4003E   | Meteorology                    | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| INA 4082E   | Renewable Energy               | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| INA 5001E   | Environmental Modelling        | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| INA 5003E   | Climate Change and Society     | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| INA 5004E   | Env. Impact and Sustainability | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| INA 5201E   | Wastewater Treatment 1 +Lab    | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| INA 5202E   | Wastewater Treatment 2 +Lab    | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| INQ 4081E   | Polymers and Plastics          | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| INQ 4084E   | Chemical Catalysis             | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| INQ 4202E   | Unit Operations 2 +Lab         | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| INQ 4301E   | Advanced Process Design        | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| INQ 5401E   | Bioengineering 1 +Lab          | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| MAC 4003E   | Probabilistic Graphical Models | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| MAT 3501E   | Group Theory                   | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| MAT 4003E   | Real Analysis                  | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| MAT 4502E   | Rings and Fields               | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| MAT 4601E   | General Topology               | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |

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| QUI 4080E   | Computational Chemistry | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |

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## College of Social Sciences and Humanities

Colegio de Ciencias Sociales y Humanidades **COCISOH**

| COURSE CODE | COURSE NAME                   | CR. | PRE-REQ | SEMESTER OFFERED * |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-----|---------|--------------------|
| ANT 3114E   | Globalization                 | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| ANT 3403E   | Language and Culture          | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| ANT 4083E   | Organizational Culture        | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| ARH 2003E   | Visual Arts Appreciation      | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| EDU 3004E   | Bilingualism                  | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| EDU 4082E   | Education Policy Studies      | 3   | No      | Fall               |
| ESC 2001E   | Public Speaking               | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| ESC 2080E   | Classical Rhetoric            | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| FIL 3001E   | Process Philosophy            | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| FIL 3408E   | Philosophy of Religion        | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| HIS 2102E   | Global History                | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| HIS 3080E   | History of Science            | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| HIS 3085E   | Environmental History         | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| HIS 3086E   | Nature Teaches Us History     | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| LIT 2001E   | LGBT+ Literature              | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| LIT 2002E   | The Art of Poetry             | 3   | No      | Spring             |
| LIT 2402E   | Intro to U.S. Literature      | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| LIT 2501E   | Intro to British Literature   | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| LIT 2602E   | Spies and Espionage           | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| LIT 2706E   | Tolkien, Rowling, and Martin  | 3   | No      | Spring             |
| LIT 2707E   | The Short Story               | 3   | No      | Fall               |
| LIT 3085E   | J.D. Salinger: Life & Fiction | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| LIT 3086E   | Literature and Disability     | 3   | No      | Fall               |
| LIT 3088E   | Monsters in the New World     | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| LIT 3093E   | Faulkner in His Stories       | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| LIT 3605E   | Topics in Science Fiction     | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| LIT 3607E   | The Films of Alfred Hitchcock | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| POL 3084E   | EU Foreign Policy             | 3   | No      | Spring             |

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|-------------|--------------------------------|-----|---------|--------------------|
| PSC 3082E   | Psychology of Addictions       | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| PSC 3201E   | Measurements in Psychology+Lab | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| PSC 4000E   | Clinical Practicum             | 5   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| PSC 4080E   | Advance Measurement and Report | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| PSC 5001E   | Psychodynamic Therapy          | 3   | No      | Spring             |
| PSI 2000E   | Conflict and Its Resolution    | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| PSI 2103E   | Introduction to Psychology     | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| PSI 3114E   | Existential Psychology         | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| PSI 3502E   | Neuroscience and Behavior +Lab | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| PSI 4084E   | Navigating your Uncertainties  | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| REL 3001E   | International Organization     | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |
| REL 3003E   | Foreign Policy                 | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| REL 3081E   | Model United Nations           | 3   | No      | Fall               |
| REL 3082E   | Model United Nations II        | 3   | No      | Spring             |
| REL 4080E   | Sexuality in World Politics    | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| REL 4084E   | Global Environmental Politics  | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| SOC 2101E   | General Sociology              | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| SOC 3086E   | LGBTQ+ Culture & Society       | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |

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## College of Communication and Contemporary Arts

Colegio de Comunicación y Artes Contemporáneas **COCOA**

| COURSE CODE | COURSE NAME                    | CR. | PRE-REQ | SEMESTER OFFERED * |
|-------------|--------------------------------|-----|---------|--------------------|
| ART 1401E   | Botanical Illustration         | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| ART 1901E   | Watercolor Workshop 1          | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| ART 3083E   | Patchwork and Quilting         | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| CCO 3303E   | Environmental Humanities       | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| COM 2002E   | Communicational Marketing      | 3   | No      | Spring             |
| DIC 1201E   | Visual Composition 1           | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| DMO 2002E   | History of Fashion             | 3   | Yes     | Fall               |
| DMO 4081E   | Fashion Styling and Production | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| FOT 2101E   | Photography 1                  | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| PUB 1001E   | Principles of Advertising      | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |

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# College of Economics

Colegio de Economía **ECON**

| COURSE CODE | COURSE NAME                  | CR. | PRE-REQ | SEMESTER OFFERED * |
|-------------|------------------------------|-----|---------|--------------------|
| ECN 3098E   | Agri-Environmental Economics | 3   | Yes     | Spring             |
| ECN 4001E   | International Economics      | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |

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# College of Hospitality, Culinary Arts, and Tourism

Colegio de Hospitalidad, Arte Culinario y Turismo **CHAT**

| COURSE CODE | COURSE NAME           | CR. | PRE-REQ | SEMESTER OFFERED * |
|-------------|-----------------------|-----|---------|--------------------|
| HSP 3020E   | Tourism and Community | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |

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# College of Law

Colegio de Jurisprudencia **JUR**

| COURSE CODE | COURSE NAME                    | CR. | PRE-REQ | SEMESTER OFFERED * |
|-------------|--------------------------------|-----|---------|--------------------|
| JUR 3062E   | Ethics and Conflict Resolution | 3   | No      | Spring             |
| JUR 3080E   | Literature and Law             | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| JUR 3093E   | Organised Crime & Corruption   | 3   | Yes     | Fall and Spring    |

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# College of Music

College of Music **CoM**

| COURSE CODE | COURSE NAME                  | CR. | PRE-REQ | SEMESTER OFFERED * |
|-------------|------------------------------|-----|---------|--------------------|
| MUS 2705E   | The History of Rock and Roll | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |
| MUS 4100E   | The Evolution of Jazz        | 3   | No      | Fall and Spring    |

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## NATIONAL LANGUAGES

# Department of Languages DLE

Departamento de Lenguas **DLE**

- Spanish
- Kichwa

The Department of Languages DLE offers Spanish and Kichwa language courses, as well as a variety of courses on Latin American culture, designed especially for international students. For more information, contact us at [dle@usfq.edu.ec](mailto:dle@usfq.edu.ec).