



Study Abroad with CASA Cuba



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Study Abroad with **CASA Cuba**

Exploring the Program

- Life in Havana
- CASA Center
- Partner Institutions
- Academics
- Housing
- Excursions
- Internships & Volunteer Opportunities

Student Support

- Applying to CASA Cuba
- Student Visas, Money, & Communications
- Health, Safety, & Security





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Key People

Rainer Schultz

- ❑ Resident Director (onsite)

Surama Zayas Arioza

- ❑ Academic Assistant (onsite)

Ivana Freitas

- ❑ Assistant Director (Providence;
logistical support)





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Life in Havana, Cuba

- Full Immersion in Cuban Culture
- Vibrant History
- Revolution & Socialism
- Society in Transformation
- Diversity & Hospitality
- Arts, Music, Sport, Medicine,
Internationalism





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Current Situation

- Hurricane Oscar, Rafael & Blackout
- Cuba's robust response system
- Learning from Resilience
- Crisis as Learning Opportunity
- Safe Conditions: life, study and travel





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Academic Overview

- CASA Lunch Seminar
- 5 CASA-Sponsored Courses
- Academic Spanish Class
- University of Havana Classes
- Diverse Research Opportunities





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Academics - CASA Course Examples:

- US-Cuban Relations
- Public Health & Pandemics in Cuba
- The Image of Cuba / Cuban Cinema
- The Cuban Economy
- Academic Spanish





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University of Havana

- Courses at most Departments
- No Pre-Registration Required
- Two weeks shopping period
- All courses in Spanish, with Cuban students
- Cuban University System





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Additional Academic Opportunities

- Teaching English as 2nd Language
- Language Tandem
- Research Trips & Opportunities
- Friday's Site Visits & Excursions
- Field Trips





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Housing

- Homestay with Cuban Families
- Casa de las Américas Residencia
- Walking distance to CASA Center, 20min to UH
- Mostly individual rooms, private bathroom, two meals a day, safety box

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Excursions

- Day Trip to Las Terrazas
- Central Cuba: Legacy of Slavery
- Individual Research Trip
- Weeklong: Santiago de Cuba





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Internships & Volunteer Opportunities

- Casa de las Americas: Theatre, Arts, Music, Literature, Events & Publications
- Academic Journal “Temas”
- CENESEX: LGBTQ+ Community
- More to come...





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Program Terms/Tentative Dates

- **Fall 2025**
 - Arrival Date – September 1
 - End Date - December 14
- **Spring 2026**
 - late January - mid-May

dates are tentative pending the official University of Havana calendar





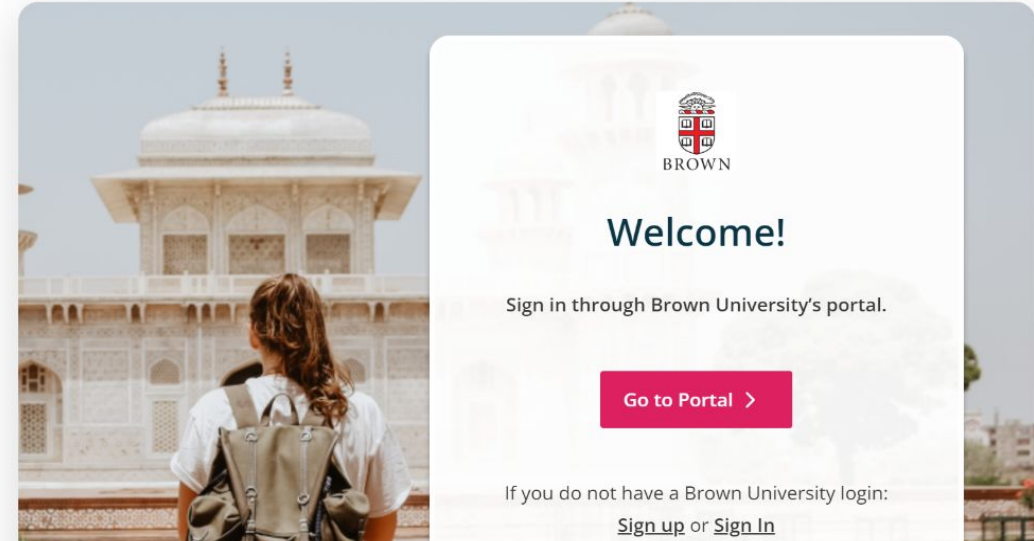
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Applying to **CASA Cuba** (*tentative*)

- Fall 2025 App Deadline: *March 1st*
- Fall 2025 Commitment Deadline: *March 15th*



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Eligibility

- Good academic standing
- Must have declared concentration by the start of your study abroad program
- Must have completed at least fifth semester of Spanish or the equivalent



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Student Visas, Money & Communication

- Cuban student visas are arranged by CDLA & Brown; only valid passport copy needed
- Students should plan to bring all money with them in cash for the semester; U.S. credit/debit cards do not work in Cuba
- Internet connectivity isn't always reliable; flexibility & planning is key





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Health, Safety, & Security

- **Cuban local health insurance** is provided for all students through ASISTUR and included in the program fee
- **Clínica Internacional Cira García** is the international health clinic recommended for students; includes emergency, walk-in clinic and pharmacy services
- **International SOS**
 - Medical, health-related and mental health appointments and emergency medical assistance
 - All safety and security issues





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Interested in learning more about *CASA Cuba*?

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