



**UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL  
DEL LITORAL**

<b>Institution</b>	<b>UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL DEL LITORAL</b>
<b>Country</b>	<b>ARGENTINA</b>
<b>Website</b>	<b><a href="http://www.unl.edu.ar">www.unl.edu.ar</a></b>
<b>Year founded</b>	<b>1919</b>
<b>Number of UG Students</b>	<b>43.972</b>
<b>Number of PG Students</b>	<b>2.653</b>
<b>Number of International Students</b>	<b>200 (mobility undergraduate students per year)</b>
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## **I. INTRODUCTION/OVERVIEW**

Universidad Nacional del Litoral belongs to and is part of the Educational National System of Argentina. Its principal location is in Santa Fe City and its priority development in the territorial site in the center-north of Santa Fe Province, projecting its operations to the whole province, the neighboring provinces, the country, Latin America, and the world.



The University was created after the events that triggered the University Reform. It provides education to the whole community, combining democratic government and modern and agile management, constantly adapting itself to the subject demands.

Since its creation in 1919, the University has maintained the reformist principles that formed it, spreading its work of education, research and scientific and cultural promotion from Santa Fe towards the entire coastal area of Argentina.

The quality of its graduates, the significant progress in research, the permanent effects of science, technology and culture and its integration into the world have given the University a high societal recognition and secured its position as an educational and cultural model in the region and the country.

## II. MISSION, VISION, VALUES (or value statement)

According to its statute, UNL's values can be condensed into three main areas that the University community can view as its current institutional mission:

- a) To publicize and honor in all University activities its commitment to democratization of the Argentinian society, within the republican and democratic framework planned by the National Constitution.
- b) To publicize and honor in all University activities its commitment to the development of knowledge, fostering it in all the disciplines, and beyond them, in a systematic way through teaching, research and extension.
- c) To publicize and honor in all University activities its commitment to the development of the Nation, in connection to the world and through cooperation with the social, cultural and productive network in its central influence area in Santa Fe City.

## III. RESEARCH



UNL constitutes one of the main scientific research and technological development centers in the country. It has approximately 1600 researchers, firmly trained in the different branches of knowledge, and has modern and well-equipped centers, institutes and laboratories. This, together with the capacity to administer research funding efficiently, places UNL at the forefront of the knowledge

generation and of the development of technologies and innovations.

Universidad Nacional del Litoral promotes research projects within the framework of various funded programs with its own resources and in association with other bodies of the scientific-technological system.

With that objective, UNL has developed its own tools for the promotion and financing of research, as the Action Course for the Investigation and Development (CAI+D), which includes projects of Investigation and Development (I+D) with a scientific-technological profile as well as routed to the scientific-social inquiry and oriented to social and productive problems.

Furthermore, research projects promoted by other organizations and institutions of the Argentinian scientific-technological system are developed, such as the National Agency for the Scientific and Technological Promotion (ANPCyT) and the National Council for Scientific and Technical Researchers (CONICET), where UNL participates in co-financing.

## IV. FACULTIES

Faculties:

- [Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning](#)
- [Faculty of Biochemistry and Biological Sciences](#)

- [Faculty of Agricultural Sciences](#)
- [Faculty of Economic Sciences](#)
- [Faculty of Law and Social Sciences](#)
- [Faculty of Medicine](#)
- [Faculty of Veterinary Sciences](#)
- [Faculty of Humanities and Sciences](#)
- [Faculty of Chemical Engineering](#)
- [Faculty of Engineering and Water Sciences](#)

University Centers:

- [University Center / Reconquista-Avellaneda](#)
- [-University Center / Gálvez](#)
- **Offices in Rafaela / Sunchales**

Schools:

- [ESS | School of Health "Ramón Carrillo"](#)
- [Industrial High School](#)
- [School of Agriculture, Livestock and Farm](#)
- **High School UNL**
- **School of Early and Primary Education**
- **La Ronda Nursery**

Institutes:

- [Higher Institute of Music](#)

**V. LANGUAGES IN WHICH CLASSES ARE OFFERED**

Spanish

**VI. WORK PLACEMENTS OFFERED FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

None

**VIII. STRATEGIC PLAN**

Toward the end of 2010, the Collegiate Governing Bodies of UNL approved the Institutional Development Plan 2012-2019: "Towards the University of the Centennial." This document provides the institutional political guidelines for planning and management in all areas, Academic Units, Schools and institutes within the University.

The actions of the Plan are framed in three Main Lines Guidance (LOP), which are presented as big political guidelines for institutional management, framed with the social commitment to the expansion of knowledge, understanding and culture in a permanent dialogue with the society. Thus, a systematic approach of the University structure, the diversification of its functions, the extension of areas of knowledge and the commitment to the social environment are contemplated.

The Main Orientation Guidelines are:

- I. Construction of legal authority and allocation of resources
- II. High quality in teaching, research and the spread of knowledge
- III. Important cooperation with innovation in the context and connection with a wide network of internationalization.

The Institutional Development Plan can be seen in the following link:

[http://www.unl.edu.ar/articles/view/pdi\\_2010\\_2019\\_hacia\\_la\\_universidad\\_del\\_centenario#.VYwscjeVvZs](http://www.unl.edu.ar/articles/view/pdi_2010_2019_hacia_la_universidad_del_centenario#.VYwscjeVvZs)

## **IX. INTERNATIONALIZATION STRATEGY**

The agenda's relevant and sustainable actions are aimed at promoting Integral Internationalization in UNL, which is developed in three different actions lines: the **internationalization of the curriculum** of the courses offered at UNL, **the internationalization of the UNL campus** (physical and non-physical resources and functions of the Institution – buildings, services, administrative staff, etc.) and finally the strengthening of the current lines that promote **academic mobility** of the community in the University.

Within the framework of each line of action the following work lines are developed:

### *A. Internationalization of the Curriculum:*

- Call for "Internationalization of Curricular Spaces in bachelor's degree courses"
- Promotion of double-degree agreements with foreign universities
- Promotion of the internationalization of postgraduate courses of UNL
- European Studies Program (PEE-UNL)
- Global Competitiveness Program for Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises
- Open Cathedra of Latin American Studies "José Martí"
- UNL International Winter School
- Integral Project of Foreign Languages of the UNL (PILE)
- Promotion of subjects delivered in English

### *B. Internationalization of the campus:*

- Flexibility of the Institutional Regulations to promote internationalization
- Recruitment of international students for undergraduate and postgraduate courses

- Training in foreign languages for the non-teaching staff of UNL

C. *Strengthening Academic Mobility (students, teachers, administrative and management staff):*

Academic mobility is important to UNL, with **consolidated** mobility programs and with strong internal support. Plans to strengthen the programs include increasing and consolidating administration and management mobility programs (in coordination with the General Secretariat), improving the residence system of UNL for foreigners (along with the University Welfare Secretariat), improving the academic administration of student mobility and considering the impact of academic mobility (creation of an evaluation of the internationalization process), among others.

Website: <http://www.unl.edu.ar/categories/view/internacional#.VYwtHTeVvZs>

## **X. INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS**

- **AUGM:** Asociación de Universidades Grupo Montevideo
- **INU:** International Network of Universities
- **IOHE:** Inter-American Organization for Higher Education
- **ReLARIES:** Red Latinoamericana y Caribeña de Redes de Relaciones Internacionales de Instituciones de Educación Superior
- **UDUAL:** Unión de Universidades de América Latina y el Caribe