



VINUNIVERSITY

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# INBOUND SEMESTER EXCHANGE PROGRAM 2025 FACTSHEET

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# VIETNAM OVERVIEW



## Geography:

Vietnam is a Southeast Asian country that borders China to the north, Laos to the northwest, Cambodia to the southwest, and the South China Sea to the east. The country is known for its stunning natural beauty, rich history, and diverse culture.

Hanoi is the capital city of Vietnam and is located in the northern part of the country. It is one of the oldest capital cities in the world, with a history dating back over a thousand years. The city is known for its vibrant culture, stunning architecture, and delicious cuisine.

## Population:

According to the World Bank, Vietnam's population was approximately 101 million people in 2024, making it the 15th most populous country in the world. The population of Hanoi is estimated to be around 8.5 million people, making it the second-largest city in Vietnam after Ho Chi Minh City.

## Climate and Weather:

Vietnam has a tropical monsoon climate, which means that it has two distinct seasons: a wet season and a dry season. The wet season lasts from May to October, with the heaviest rains falling in July and August. The dry season runs from November to April. The average temperature in Vietnam ranges from 22°C to 27°C, with the hottest months being June and July.

## GDP:

According to an online article by Reuters (2025) Vietnam has experienced strong economic growth over the past few decades, with a GDP growth rate of 7.09% in 2023. The country has a rapidly growing manufacturing sector, with a focus on electronics, textiles, and footwear. The service sector is also an important contributor to the country's GDP, particularly in the areas of tourism and finance. In 2024, Vietnam's GDP was approximately \$476 billion according to the World Bank.

## Cost of Living:

Vietnam has a relatively low cost of living compared to many other countries, particularly in terms of food and accommodation. The cost of living in Hanoi is generally lower than in Ho Chi Minh City, but it can vary depending on the area. Prices for groceries, transportation, and healthcare are also relatively affordable in Vietnam.

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# WHY VIETNAM

**Affordable Cost of Living:** Vietnam is one of the most affordable countries in Southeast Asia to live in. Monthly expenses such as rent, food, and transportation are reasonably low, which makes it an attractive destination for students.

**High-Quality Education:** Vietnam has a well-established education system with a strong focus on academic excellence. The country has several internationally recognized universities and colleges that offer programs in various study fields.

**Rich Culture and Diversity:** Vietnamese culture is diverse and fascinating, with influences from China, France, and other Southeast Asian countries. Studying in Vietnam is an excellent opportunity to experience this unique culture firsthand.

**Career Opportunities:** According to the World Bank, Vietnam is currently experiencing significant economic growth, which is creating a demand for skilled workers in various sectors. As a result, international students who study in Vietnam have the opportunity to gain practical experience and job opportunities upon graduation.

**Friendly and welcoming people:** Vietnamese people are known for their friendliness and welcoming nature towards foreigners. As an international student studying in Vietnam, you will feel like part of the family in no time.

## Reference

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# STUDY IN VIETNAM

Vietnam is a rising economy full of opportunities

- Forecasted to be one of the fastest growing economies globally, according to Moody's Analytics.
- With a large and young population (53% is under 35 years old in 2024), Vietnam is one of the most exciting and vibrant destinations for living and working, with many high-demand jobs in technology, healthcare, automobile, hospitality service, etc.
- Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City: Global top 10 most dynamic cities (Hanoi #3, HCMC #8), according to ILL's City Momentum Index (CMI) 2020.

We believe that studying in Vietnam is a unique journey that will bring global citizens to a live-learn environment where you can apply world-class theoretical knowledge to create solutions for real issues in a rapidly transforming business environment.



In addition, living and studying in Vietnam will give you an opportunity to explore a unique, historic, exotic, and rapidly developing country. There will be distinctive architecture, stories, and historical figures to witness at almost every corner of your new home - Hanoi the millennium-old capital formerly known as Rising Dragon Citadel. Furthermore, our natural landscape is blessed with wonders such as Ha Long Bay and Son Doong Cave.

Finally, Vietnam offers affordable living costs and ample travel opportunities that will deliver you the best 4 years of your life immersing yourself in academics while equally exploring our hospitality, unique arts, and festive activities.

We look forward to welcoming you to the journey of a lifetime!



# HANOI OVERVIEW

VinUniversity students come from 63 cities and provinces nationwide as well as from abroad. Studying and living in Hanoi, a thousand-year-old capital with a long history and rich culture is definitely an unforgettable experience for every student.

## OVERVIEW

Hanoi is a **bustling city** in the northern part of Vietnam. It is the country's capital and is known for its **rich culture and history**.

### Dynamic Street Life

One of the defining features of Hanoi is its **vibrant street life**. The streets are always busy, with vendors selling all kinds of goods, from fresh produce to clothing and electronics. The markets in Hanoi are also a popular destination for locals and tourists alike, offering a wide variety of goods at affordable prices.

### Hospitality

The people of Hanoi are **friendly and welcoming**, and the city has a **strong sense of community**. This is evident in the many local festivals and events that take place throughout the year, bringing people together to celebrate their culture and traditions.

### Unique Cuisine

Another unique aspect of Hanoi is its **cuisine**. The city is known for its delicious food, which includes a **wide variety of dishes** such as pho, bun cha, and banh mi. Hanoi is also famous for its **coffee culture**, with numerous cafes scattered throughout the city serving up strong, flavorful **Vietnamese coffee**.

Overall, Hanoi is a **dynamic and fascinating** city that offers visitors a **unique and authentic experience** of Vietnam. Whether you're interested in exploring its bustling streets, sampling its delicious cuisine, or immersing yourself in its rich history and culture, **Hanoi has something for everyone**.

## Hanoi

### Where to go?



# VINHOMES OCEAN PARK

VinUniversity is located in Vinhomes Ocean Park - a residential complex located in Gia Lam district, Hanoi, Vietnam. Spanning over 420 hectares. It offers a range of high-end apartments, villas, and townhouses, along with various amenities such as schools, hospitals, commercial centers, and recreational facilities. The complex boasts a 6.1-kilometer man-made beach, Southeast Asia's largest saltwater pool, and a water park. Vinhome Ocean Park offers a unique lifestyle experience for residents in a tranquil, resort-like environment.



With a prime location, along with high-class facilities, Vinhomes Ocean Park promises to be an ideal place for residents to be a new center with outstanding development in the heart of the citadel.







# OUR BEAUTIFUL VINUNI



# ABOUT VINUNI

**VinUniversity (VinUni) is Vietnam's first private, not-for-profit university established on international standards, offering a fully English-speaking environment. It comprises four colleges: Arts and Sciences, Business and Management, Engineering and Computer Science, and Health Sciences.**

Every aspect of the university - from curricula, research, and faculty to student body, facilities, and campus life - is developed to meet the highest standards set by the world's leading accrediting and ranking organizations, including ABET, AACSB, WFME, ACEN, Quacquarelli Symonds (QS), and Times Higher Education (THE).

VinUni's founding benefactor, Vingroup, is one of Asia's largest private conglomerates, focusing on Industrials & Technology, Real Estate & Services, and Social Enterprises. As part of the Vingroup ecosystem, VinUni students have opportunities to connect with leading research institutes (such as VinBigData), pioneering companies (including VinFast, Vinpearl, Vinmec, Vinschool, and Vinhomes), and a dynamic entrepreneurial ecosystem (VinVenture, VinMotion, VinRobotics, etc.).

In September 2024, VinUni became the youngest and fastest university globally to achieve QS 5 Stars, earning five stars in nine categories: global engagement, good governance, program strength, academic development, teaching, employability, facilities, arts, and social impact. In October 2024, VinUni was appointed by UNESCO as the first and only UNESCO University Chair in Vietnam, focusing on Environmental Leadership, Cultural Heritage, and Biodiversity. In March 2025, VinUni became the youngest university in Vietnam to achieve institutional accreditation from the Foundation for International Business Administration Accreditation (FIBAA), within five years of its inception.

As of June 2025, VinUni is transitioning into a research- and innovation-oriented university with an ambitious vision to join the world's top 100 universities. VinUni is committed to advancing research through three strategic domains, collectively known as the 3P Framework: (1) Planet - Environment (Materials, Energy, sustainability, green transition); (2) People - Health (Precision Medicine & Health Tech; immunology; Population Sciences and Health Systems; Stem Cell); (3) Prosperity - Technology for Economic Growth (Technology impact, Economic growth, business, social sciences, culture, etc.)

To support this transformation, Vingroup has committed an additional US\$427 million investment into VinUni in the coming years. Central to this strategy is the "VinUni 500" initiative, aiming to recruit 500 top scholars and researchers worldwide.



# WHY VINUNI?

## Ecosystem

#01

VinUni is proud to be a part of the Vingroup ecosystem, largest ecosystem in Vietnam with market leadership across multiple businesses. VinUni's commitment to providing students with opportunities to connect with reputable research institutes, pioneering industrial enterprises, and leading Vietnamese companies reflects its dedication to offering a well-rounded and industry relevant. This provides access to practical experiences, internships, and projects in industries like technology, healthcare, etc.

## Global Distinguished Faculty

#03

You will get to learn from lecturers and professors who come from 11 countries who have rich experiences in teaching and possess in-depth work and research experience from leading universities around the globe and strong industry connections, ensuring high-quality education and mentorship.

## Active Learning & English Speaking Campus

#05

VinUni's teaching pedagogy is geared towards developing students into active problem-solvers through team-based learning, experiential learning, case studies, story telling, and simulation. VinUni is an English-speaking campus, inclusive, and diverse environment that sets us apart from public universities.

## Strong Industry & Research Engagement

#07

Students will gain strong industry perspectives and engagement through the courses, in-semester internship, summer internship, and by closely interacting with business leaders, participating in industry-specific projects, and joining company visits. In addition, students will have opportunities to collaborate with VinUni faculty on research projects, allowing them to deepen their academic experience and contribute to innovative, real-world solutions.

## Global Partnerships and Collaborations

#09

VinUni proudly has strong global partnerships and collaborations with leading universities worldwide. These connections provide VinUni and international students with valuable opportunities for exchange programs, internship, joint research opportunities, and integrated degree pathways.

## Diverse Academic Courses and Interdisciplinary Learning

#02

VinUni offers a wide range of academic courses across multiple disciplines, including business, engineering, computer science, health sciences, and humanities. The curriculum emphasizes interdisciplinary learning, allowing students to explore diverse subjects and develop a well-rounded skill set.

## Rich Cultural Experience in Vietnam

#04

The program offers a chance to explore Vietnam's rich culture, history, and natural beauty. Students can participate in cultural excursions, language classes, and community activities to fully experience Vietnamese life.

## World-class Standards

#06

Every aspect of the University, its curricula, research, faculty, student body, facilities, and campus life, is being developed to meet the highest standards set by the world's leading accreditation and ranking organizations, such as FIBAA, ABET, AACSB, Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) and Times Higher Education (THE).

## World-Class Facilities

#08

VinUni is equipped with 5-star facilities, including state-of-the-art classrooms, advanced research labs, modern dormitories, and comprehensive sports and recreation complex. The campus provides an inspiring environment for academic and personal growth.

## Commitment to Social Responsibility

#10

VinUni emphasizes social responsibility and community engagement. This commitment could be reflected in initiatives such as community outreach programs, environmental sustainability efforts, green projects.



# INBOUND STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMS @VINUNI

## SEMESTER EXCHANGE

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Students from partner universities can study at, and earn the credits from, VinUni by participating in a semester exchange program. More information on the courses offered, life on and off campus, living expenses, accommodation etc. is available at the exchange factsheet below.

## RESEARCH EXCHANGE

02

The Program offers students a special opportunity to collaborate with esteemed VinUni professors and experts from Vingroup companies where VinUni belongs to on cutting-edge research projects. Participants will engage in hands-on research experiences, working alongside leading scholars and industry professionals in various fields such as technology, sustainability, healthcare, business, and engineering. This program is designed to enhance students' research skills, expand their academic network, and foster innovation through real-world problem-solving. It is an excellent platform for those looking to gain insights into the practical application of research and contribute to impactful projects within Vietnam's dynamic academic and corporate ecosystem.

**VinUni research internship booklet**



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## INTERNSHIP EXCHANGE



VinUni, as an integral part of the Vingroup ecosystem, offers exceptional internship and research opportunities for international exchange students. These programs are designed to provide hands-on experience in dynamic environments, fostering practical skills and academic growth across various fields facilitated by VinUni professors, colleagues, and professionals from Vingroup companies and industry partners. It equips students with the skills and insights essential for success in their future careers. Throughout the program, students have the opportunity to build meaningful connections with professors, peers, and industry experts, gaining valuable mentorship, guidance, and career advice.

# VINUNI PROGRAM

VinUniversity comprises of College of Arts and Sciences; College of Business and Management; College of Engineering and Computer Science; and College of Health Sciences. VinUni offers different degree programs, namely:

## **College of Arts and Sciences:**

- Bachelor of Arts in Multimedia Communication
- Bachelor of Arts in Economics
- Bachelor of Arts in Psychology

## **College of Business and Management:**

- Bachelor of Business Administration (focus areas: Marketing, Finance, Entrepreneurship, Business Analytics, Operations & Supply Chain Management, Hospitality Management)
- Master of Business Administration

## **College of Engineering and Computer Science:**

- Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
- Bachelor of Science in Data Science
- Master of Science in Computer Science
- Master of Science in Electrical Engineering
- Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering
- Ph.D. in Computer Science

## **College of Health Sciences:**

- Doctor of Medicine (MD)
- Bachelor of Nursing
- Master of Science in Nursing
- Residency in Internal Medicine
- Residency in General Surgery
- Residency in Pediatrics
- Residency in Orthopedics
- Residency in Radiology
- Residency in Anesthesiology

# INBOUND STUDENT PROGRAMS SNAPSHOT

40+ top leading partner universities

1500+ Inbound Students



## Vietnam Adverse Childhood Experiences Pathfinders (VACEP), Cornell University 2022, 2023

It is Community-centered Research Project under A Collaboration between VinUni and Cornell University to improve the social integration and quality of life of children who have experienced violence, abuse, or neglect.

Cornell and VinUniversity students conducted research on adverse childhood experiences in Vietnam, supporting the Vietnamese non-governmental organization Center for Supporting Community Development Initiatives (SCDI).



## Singapore Management University (SMU) Inbound Student Program 2022, 2024, 2025

Study and Cultural Exchange between Students from SMU and VinUni:

- Exchange and share cultural characteristics of Vietnam and Singapore
- Experience student life at VinUniversity and get to know Vietnam's macroeconomic policies lectures by guest speakers at VinUni
- Immerse in what Hanoi has to offer, with cyclo tour around the Old Quarter and visits to historical sites, such as Temple of Literature, Bat Trang Pottery Village



## New York University Study Abroad Program 2024

Study Abroad Program between Students from NYU and VinUni:

- Cultural Exchange
- Course on Digital Twin to Tackle Sustainable Development Issues in Smart Cities
- Field trips to Hanoi cultural visits
- Company visits to companies in Vietnam (Vinasoy, VinFast)



## University of British Columbia & VinUni Student Research Forum 2023

This is a 10-day research forum for students. This is an opportunity UBC and VinUniversity students to come together, problem-solve on the world's toughest issues, and co-create original research. With mixed teams involving students from both universities, the forum consists of the following:

- Lectures & discussions on Theme: How to advance human development in the global age, while protecting the planet and cultural identity?
- Group work and problem-solving
- Field trips and site visits around Hanoi
- Final presentations at VinUni
- Final individual report



## NUS Southeast Asia Friendship Initiative (SFI) Program 2024 & 2025

During the short 10-day exchange, NUS students had an exciting journey experiencing VinUni, Vietnam, and its people with a focus on the United Nations' 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) including sustainability, eco-tourism, and innovation.

- Cultural Exchange
- Lecture sessions by VinUni Faculty
- Field trips to Ha Long Bay, Pu Luong
- Company visits to URENCO and National Innovation Center.



## Hong Kong University of Science and Technology Inbound Student Program 2023 & 2024 & 2025

This is a 1-month inbound student program for HKUST students. With mixed teams involving students from both universities, the program consists of the following:

- Course on Global Political Economy and Introduction to Robotics and Automation delivered by VinUni Faculty
- Group work and culture exchange
- Field trips and site visits around Hanoi
- Credit course recognition

# REQUIREMENT & COURSE OVERVIEW

## # Entry Level

Evidence of strong academic preparation in general and in the proposed field(s) of study; a minimum of one of continuous full-time university study at home institution by the time students commence the semester exchange at VinUni; a grade point average (CGPA) is not less than 2.5 accumulatively.

## # Age 18 or above

## # English Level

- IELTS: Minimum of 6.5 with no band score lower than 6.0
- TOEFL iBT: A score of 79 with no individual skill below 15.
- Pearson Test of English (Academic) – An overall score of 56 with no communicative skills scores less than 46.
- Cambridge English Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) – An overall score of 176 with no skill below 169 in any Component.
- Confirmation letter of language proficiency issued by the home university.

## # Language of Instruction English

## # Study Load

The total required credits for each semester will be at least 12 credits and no more than 22 credits - A credit is equivalent to 50 hours of study for students, including taught study (contact hours), tutorials, self-managed study, experiential learning, assessments, and exams. The study load is defined in detail according to the VinUni's Academic Regulations.

## # Nomination Procedure

Partners send the nominated list of students to VinUniversity. Following that, VinUniversity will review, assess, and send guidance and an application form to successful candidates.

## # Online Nomination Deadline For Partner Institutions

Fall: April 15

Spring: September 15

## # Academic Calendar at VinUni



## # Courses

Course information, including module descriptions, can be found on our website. Please click on the below link for more information of course list offered on Fall semester:

[VinUni Course list for the Fall semester](#)

[VinUni Course list for the Spring semester](#)

The details of course registration guidance will be sent to all enrolled students within 2 weeks before the course registration period. Exchange students can select courses as long as there are slots available and they meet the prerequisite requirements. Some courses may require professor approval for enrollment.

## # Academic Record

The study performance of student is recorded and managed on SIS. After finishing the study, VinUni will issue the academic transcript for students. Students receive 2 free transcript copies. All transcripts are mailed to students' home universities for handling and will take about 6-8 weeks after the semester for the arrival.

## # Grading System

The University grading system is composed of letter grades with pluses and minuses. Passing grades range from A to D-; F is a fail. Please see the more details in [Article 25. Grading system in Academic Regulation](#).

## # Teaching Method

Eschewing the traditional, didactic form of learning, VinUniversity provides a highly student centric, active & experiential forms of teaching and learning. Faculty use a variety of models suitable to drive higher order learning for the subject: from case based teaching, project based and problem based learning, group work, debates and discussions, applied projects, service and community learning and many others

## # Additional Classes

VinUni offers many free elective courses. Moreover, the course of Vietnamese Language is opened and specially designed for foreign students.

# VINUNI FACULTY & STUDENTS

People are the invaluable asset of a university. At VinUni, we pride ourselves in attracting leading, influential and dedicated faculty and academic leaders from around the globe. The University is also home to talented students not only from Vietnam but from over 30 different countries. At our University, education is not just about imparting knowledge — it's about transforming students through innovation, personalization, and experiential learning.



**Student-to-faculty ratio: 11:1**



**Faculty from 18 different countries**



**Faculty with Ph.D. degree from prestigious universities**



**Rich in teaching and research experience**

## TOP 2% MOST CITED SCHOLARS ACROSS ALL SCIENTIFIC DISCIPLINES



## FACULTY FROM PRESTIGIOUS UNIVERSITIES



## VINUNI STUDENTS



VinUni students come from diverse backgrounds with 33 nationalities. They have passed a holistic application and selection process based on AACCC attributes which stand for: Academic Ability, Aspiration, Creativity, and Commitment.

# POTENTIAL RESEARCH PROJECTS OPPORTUNITIES

## Research Opportunities

For students interested in academic research, VinUni offers robust research opportunities in collaboration with internal research centers, VinUni faculty and our industry partners. Students will work under the guidance of experienced faculty and researchers, contributing to innovative projects in areas such as AI, semiconductors, sustainable development, healthcare innovation, Digital Twin Platform for Green Transportation and more. This program allows students to enhance their research skills, contribute to groundbreaking studies, and publish findings in academic journals. Additionally, students can apply for the Undergraduate Research Program (OUR), which provides financial support for research projects with the potential to advance knowledge in their field of study.

## Vingroup Companies

Technology & Industry



Social Enterprises



## VinUni Research & Innovation Centers



Center for Environmental Intelligence  
(<https://cei.vinuni.edu.vn/>)



Agile Innovation Center (AIC)  
(<https://aic.vinuni.edu.vn/>)



Research Institute of Stem Cell & Gene Technology



Vinmec-VinUni Institute of Immunology



VinUni-Illinois Smart Health Center  
(<https://smarthealth.vinuni.edu.vn/>)



Entrepreneurship Lab (ELAB)  
(<https://eship.vinuni.edu.vn/>)



3D Technology in Medicine Center



Research Assistants with VinUni Faculty

(\*) The availability of internship positions will be based on the current demand of research projects.

# PRACTICAL INFORMATION

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## AVERAGE COST

Off-Campus Apartments (within walking distance):

- Studio: ~6–11 million VND/month (~228–430 USD/month)
- 1-Bedroom: ~7–14 million VND/month (~265–550 USD/month)
- 2-Bedroom (1–2 bathrooms): ~8–18 million VND/month (~303–710 USD/month)

*Note: Rates are subject to change and may vary depending on apartment condition, furnishing, and lease duration.*

- Deposit accommodation: ± 133 - 168 US\$/month
- Food: ± 200 US\$/month
- Health care: ± 50 - 100 US\$/month
- Basic shopping: ± 50 US\$/month
- Social Activities: ± 50 US\$/month
- Visa: 95 US\$ for a 3 to 6 - month multiple visa
- Facility: 400 US\$/ semester

*\*The US\$ to VND exchange rate is: US\$ 1 ~ VND 26,000*

**The dormitory is not guaranteed and is offered based on the room availability.**



## HEALTH & TRAVEL INSURANCE

Health insurance fee for international student is a compulsory surcharge which is paid by the students to cover the appropriate health insurance package during their study period at VinUniversity. Students can choose to either buy this insurance at VinUni or in their home university which can be applied internationally to Vietnam.

On average, health insurance fee for international students is about from 2,720,000 VND/6 months/student (equivalent US\$114). Fee may vary from year to year depending on the policy of the insurance providers.

## STUDY PERMIT & ENTRY VISA

For a short term study/exchange study period in Vietnam, incoming exchange students might need student exchange visa, VinUni will provide inbound exchange students with necessary supporting documents for them to apply for the visa.



# LIVING FACILITIES

## Stadium



- 1100 seats
- FIFA standard 9-a-side football pitch
- Basketball court
- Tennis court

## Auditorium



- 2,100 sqm
- 1,500 seats
- 3 electronic screens

## Indoor Sport Complex

- 5,000 sqm
- Olympic-standard swimming pool
- 1 gymnasium
- 2 studios for yoga
- Multifunctional sports hall



## Rose garden with + 50 type of roses



# ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

## Accommodation

By providing a combination of accommodation options, VinUniversity ensures that all participants have access to suitable lodging that meets their needs and preferences. With a focus on **comfort** and **convenience**, VinUniversity fosters a welcoming and inclusive environment for students.

### OFF-CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION

VinUniversity supports to reserve Vinhomes Serviced Apartments in Vinhomes Ocean Park, located around 300 meters from the campus, ensuring appropriate accommodation for all student participants. The apartment types include Studios, 1-bedroom apartments, 2-bedroom apartments, and 3-bedroom apartments.



### MEALS

VinUniversity offers a variety of meal plans to suit the needs of students. These plans can be tailored to individual preferences, including vegetarian and vegan options at canteen for breakfast and lunch. You can choose meals options at restaurants/food shops in Vinhomes Ocean Park.

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# LIFE AT VINUNI



## Global experience

Undergraduate students at VinUniversity can also apply for and participate in exchange programs at international partner universities. We are working with leading universities in the world to plan on the establishment of the exchange study programs for our VinUniversity students.

## Clubs & Associations

VinUni has various student-run clubs and societies, including, cultural groups, performing groups, spiritual groups, sport and game clubs, student leadership and activism groups, student publications, etc. Joining student clubs or societies is a great way to sharpen your brain, learn new things, practice your leadership skills, and make friends who share your interests.



## Counselling services

We have a range of support services to help you stay healthy so you can enjoy your time here. Book an appointment with our trained and experienced counselors whenever you need help. We provide services ranging from helping you find relief from current emotional distress, to exploring coping strategies, and advising you about pathways for long-term solutions.

## Health services

VinUni's on-campus clinic aims to provide high-quality, accessible, and confidential care to our students and staff. Students are welcome to use the VinUni medical clinic as their primary health care resource for the duration of their time at the university.

Clinic: 8:30 am - 5:30 pm on working day, VinUni Campus.  
Medical Hotline (24/7) 0866200019



## Community services

Education at VinUniversity emphasizes the importance of learning for public service and the public good. Community-Based Learning (CBL) allows you and community organizations to work together to meet both their needs and your academic requirements. Not-for-profit and government organizations identify projects of research, analysis, or evaluation that would be helpful to them, their beneficiaries, or the wider community. These projects are then matched to courses at VinUniversity.



## Student Services and International Support Center

This is a one-stop, student-led and integrated hub for:

- student-related inquiries
- connecting students with Department or College of interest
- promoting activities and events

The International Support Center, assists international students by providing guidance on cultural integration, global opportunities and essential services. It aims to ensure a seamless transition and a positive experience for students studying away from their home countries.

# STUDENT EXPERIENCE

## Interdisciplinary Learning

Students will get access to opportunities to do interdisciplinary studies by working with other students and minoring in subjects at different colleges at VinUniversity.



## International Community

Students would have the chance to interact with peers from various cultural backgrounds, fostering a rich and inclusive learning environment.



## State-of-the-Art Facilities

VinUni is known for its modern campus and state-of-the-art facilities. Students would likely have access to advanced technology, laboratories, and collaborative spaces that support their academic and culture exchange journey. An exceptionally inspiring and technologically advanced library - the first of its kind in Vietnam. VINUNIVERSITY VIRTUAL CAMPUS: <https://vinuni.edu.vn/visit/>



## Industry Connections

Participants might benefit from strong connections with industry partners from VinUni network, gaining exposure to real-world challenges and opportunities. This experience can enhance their professional development and prepare them for careers in a rapidly evolving global landscape.



## Workshops/lectures from high-ranking professor

Attending workshops by esteemed VinUni professors, who graduated from prestigious universities, offers a distinctive and transformative experience. These sessions can provide participants with a unique blend of academic enrichment, networking opportunities, and inspirational insights for their educational journey.



## VinUni Clubs Participation

Being a part of a VinUni club as an inbound student can significantly enhance the overall experience, fostering a sense of community, providing avenues for personal and professional development, and creating lasting memories.



# LEARNING FACILITIES

## Large Capacity (150 - 250 pax)



### C401 Classroom

- 6 projector screens
- 1 AV lectern
- 250 Pax



### E403 Classroom

- 2 projector screens
- 1 lectern
- 1 backroom-screen
- 164 Pax

## Medium Capacity (60 - 90 pax)



### G104 Classroom

- 1 screen
- 1 AV lectern
- 90 Pax



### F307 Classroom

- 8 screens
- 1 AV lectern
- 80 Pax



### C202 Classroom

- 2 projectors
- 1 AV lectern
- 1 backroom-screen
- 74 Pax

### C102 Classroom

- 1 projector screen
- 2 TVs
- 1 AV lectern
- 80 Pax



### E402 Classroom

- 1 projector screen
- 1 lectern
- 8 touch-screens
- 80 Pax



## Small Capacity (5 - 30 pax)

### Common Learning Area



### Common Learning Area



### Common Learning Area



### 24/7 Room



### Common Learning Area



### Writing Lab



### Maker Innovation Space



### Entrepreneurship Lab



## Library

- 4,000 sqm of floor area
- 19 discussion rooms
- 124/7 study room
- 1 One-Button studio
- 1 Semi-professional studio

- 1 iMac computer lab
- 1 Writing lab
- Open learning spaces
- 1 Prayer room

### Semi-professional studio



### International Support Centre



## & Other classrooms (<60 pax)



# Immersion into Vietnamese Culture

## Cultural Immersion Opportunities:

VinUni can offer various programs and activities to facilitate cultural immersion. This could include language classes, cultural events, and excursions to historical and cultural sites in and around Hanoi, allowing inbound students to better understand and appreciate Vietnamese culture.



## Vietnam Discover Program:

VinUni can offer a comprehensive overview and fresh perspectives on various areas of history, economics, culture, and social life, courtesy with invited guest speakers. Participants in the course can learn many interesting aspects of Vietnam that they hadn't had the opportunity to explore before.



## Community Engagement:

This involvement provide students with opportunities to interact with Vietnamese people, learn about their traditions, and contribute to community development projects.



## Cultural Exchange Activities:

VinUni can organize cultural exchange activities, enabling participants to interact with Vietnamese students, share experiences, and build lasting friendships. These interactions contribute to a more immersive cultural experience.



## Supportive Environment:

VinUni create a supportive environment for international students, offering assistance with practical matters such as accommodation, transportation, and healthcare. This support helps inbound student navigate the transition to living and studying in Vietnam.



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[https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/HealthandWellbeing@vinuni.edu.vn/bookings/?fbclid=IwAR1voHF5xVP9\\_lOr2e-QgyPisjHGu7qFvCLkVpEdtfSC1PDZMePgOOVRfk8.](https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/HealthandWellbeing@vinuni.edu.vn/bookings/?fbclid=IwAR1voHF5xVP9_lOr2e-QgyPisjHGu7qFvCLkVpEdtfSC1PDZMePgOOVRfk8.)



# SHARING FROM INTERNATIONAL FACULTY & STUDENTS



*"I really like the "Wines of the World" course, where we got to taste various wines in the meeting room on the 9th floor with a panoramic view of the campus. It's truly an unforgettable memory! Vietnam is so beautiful, and the food is really amazing. Don't hesitate to go to Vietnam on an exchange program. Remember to study diligently and gain plenty of experiences while you're here!"*

Mees, Fabian, Daan and Quinten  
Nyenrode Business University  
Inbound Semester Exchange Students



*"It has truly been priceless to be able to come to Vietnam, to work and more importantly learn alongside the whole VACEP team. I think it is one thing to study issues like adverse childhood experiences from the comfort of your own home, but having the opportunity to speak with community-based organizations and families who have been affected was eye-opening and reminded me of why I was doing this project in the first place."*

Veronica Zellers  
Cornell University  
Inbound Student



*"I had a great time. I'm definitely going to tell the first-year students next year that this is a great opportunity. I think especially for anyone who's interested in it. Working internationally or doing medical education work, this is such a unique opportunity to work in a brand new medical school, so I'll certainly encourage my classmates to come here if they're interested."*

Daniel Hartman  
University of Pennsylvania  
Internship Student



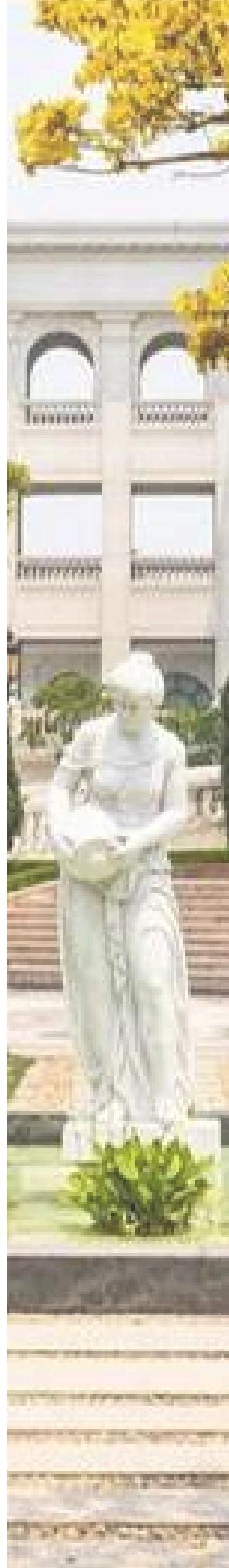
*"The students, faculty, and staff at VinUni were wonderful to work with: filled with enthusiasm for joint research and discussions with our students, they ensured that we had access to amazing sites, people, and experiences. They also met our desires for a meaningful learning and research experience sustained over the ten days."*

Prof. Yves Tiberghien  
University of British Columbia  
Faculty lead for the UBC Go Global research seminar in Vietnam



*"The concept of excellence resonates deeply with us, and through our interactions with your staff, students, and facilities, we are convinced it is a cornerstone of what you do here, something we aspire to achieve as well."*

Professor Charles Arcodia  
Griffith University  
Faculty lead for Griffith Business School Study tour program in Vietnam



# SHARING FROM INTERNATIONAL FACULTY & STUDENTS

*“One of the major valuable experiences during the course that we had is the field trip where we went into the city center with Prof. Doanh, VinUni and HUST students to look at what's going on in Hanoi, figuring out what the current issues that the locals have, because as our goal is to problem-solve, we want to figure out what the exact problems we can address for the locals, rather than just having a general view of the situation.”*

Christopher Brasil  
New York University  
Inbound Short-term Student



*“From my exposure with the classes taught in VinUni, I can say that the classes in VinUni were significantly more engaging. When you have a teacher who is dedicated to a smaller number of students, the ratio is more of a classroom, you'd really feel engaged, you feel like it's a conversation. And when you leave the class, you feel like you've learned without actually having to focus because the focus is always there.”*

Rani Mahassen  
University College London  
Inbound Short-term Student



*“The hands-on approach inspired me to think outside the box and gain a deeper understanding of how robotics and automation are intricately integrated into various industries. Additionally, the field trips and expert insights further fueled my passion for robotics.”*

Max Tseng  
The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology  
Inbound Short-term Student



*“The three words to describe this experience are: fun, balanced, and eye-opening. It's fun because I participated in many activities with my friends. It's balanced because it was not just playing but a good mix of work as well. And It's eye-opening because I experienced and learned a lot about Vietnamese culture.”*

Gerald Ann Yi Hern  
Singapore Management University  
Inbound Short-term Student





# EXPLORE HANOI AND MUST-SEE DESTINATIONS



# HANOI WHERE TO GO?



## Visit Ho Chi Minh mausoleum

Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum is a significant cultural and historical site in Vietnam. It is the final resting place of the revered revolutionary leader, Ho Chi Minh. Visitors can pay their respects to the beloved leader and witness the solemn changing of guards ceremony.

Distance from VinUni: 45 minutes

## Explore the old quarter

The 36 streets in Hanoi's old quarter are ancient streets that still keep their rhythm of history and architecture from the 19th century. The memorable houses and street corners with many shops selling unique items have been preserved over many generations.

Distance from VinUni: 45 minutes



## Temple of Literature

With over 1000 years of history, the Temple of Literature still retains its ancient look with architectural features from the Ly Dynasty. This is one of the most distinctive historical and cultural monuments in Hanoi.

Distance from VinUni: 45 minutes



## Walk around Hoan Kiem Lake

Regardless of the weather or the season, people in the capital still keep the habit of walking around Hoan Kiem Lake every early morning. Participating in sports, exercising, or just walking while chatting with friends and watching a peaceful capital behind the urban bustle are also must-dos when coming to Hanoi.

Distance from VinUni: 45 minutes



## Watch the Quintessence of Tonkin show

The Quintessence of Tonkin is proud to be the first real scene in Vietnam, affirming the position of a top cultural show that must be seen every time visitors arrive. Hanoi. Traditional folk elements are performed in a modern and creative style, giving viewers a special and memorable experience of the Red River Delta region – the cultural center of North Vietnam at that time.

Distance from VinUni: 60 minutes



## Water Puppet Show

Experience one of Vietnam's most memorable and traditional art forms during a live 50-minute performance.

The art of water puppetry has a distinct Vietnamese identity. It came into existence more than a thousand years ago in the Red River Delta.

In its earliest days, water puppetry portrayed the daily life of villagers – in farming and fishing activities, children's play and in romance. Today the performance also brings in ancient legends and myths.

Distance from VinUni: 45 minutes



# HANOI SITE VISITS



## Visit Bat Trang Village

On our field trip to Bat Trang village in Vietnam, we will discover the traditional techniques used to make beautiful ceramic products that have been passed down through generations. We will engage with the skilled artisans and learn about the cultural significance of ceramics in Vietnamese society. Join us for an immersive experience in the heart of Vietnam's rich cultural heritage.

Distance from VinUni: 15 minutes

## Imperial Citadel of Thang Long (Hanoi Citadel):

The Thang Long Imperial Citadel was built in the 11th century by the Ly Viet Dynasty, marking the independence of the Dai Viet. It was constructed on the remains of a Chinese fortress dating from the 7th century, on drained land reclaimed from the Red River Delta in Hanoi. It was the centre of regional political power for almost 13 centuries without interruption.

Distance from VinUni: 35 minutes



## Visit Hoa Lo Prison (Maison Centrale)

Hoa Lo Prison is located at address 1 Hoa Lo Street, Hanoi. In the past, this land was a village specializing in making all kinds of casserole, portable earthen stove,... so this place is called Hoa Lo village (Hoa Lo means "fire earthen stove" in Vietnamese). When the French occupied Hanoi, this was moved to another place to get land to build courts and prisons. Because this prison was landed on Hoa Lo village, people called this place "Hoa Lo Prison".

Distance from VinUni: 40 minutes

## Visit Vietnam Museum of Ethnology

The Vietnam Museum of Ethnology stands as a prominent institution, offering a captivating insight into the diverse ethnic minorities and their vibrant cultures across Vietnam. This museum boasts an extensive array of exhibits, artifacts, and informative resources, all of which shed light on the rich traditions, customs, and daily routines of the nation's 54 recognized ethnic groups.

Distance from VinUni: 60 minutes



## Visit Duong Lam Ancient Village

The ancient village has a history of about 1,200 years with many houses dating back up to 400 years. One special thing about the village is that most of the buildings here are made of laterite and mud, two materials that are abundant in the area. Laterite is used on house walls, gates, wells, temple walls, and so forth. The mud is taken from ponds. Apart from its historical and tourism values, Duong Lam ancient village is an important place for scientists to study resident communities in ancient agriculture.

Distance from VinUni: 60 minutes



# SIGNATURE CUISINE



## Enjoy "Bun cha"

"Bun cha" Hanoi a dish of flavorful chargrilled pork, and white rice noodles, served with herbs and dipping sauce is a must-try specialty in the capital.



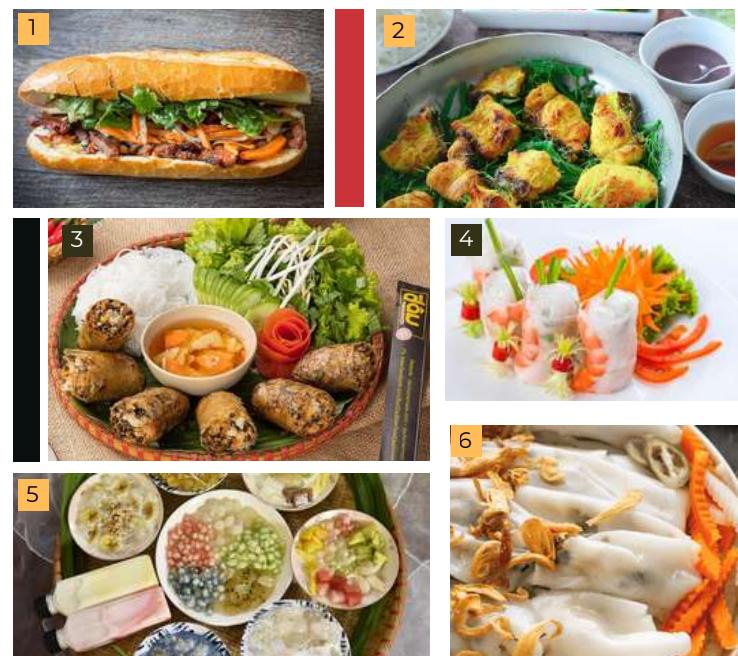
## Grab a bowl of "Pho" - one of the world's greatest noodle soups

'Pho', widely known as Vietnamese noodle soup, is a highlight of Vietnamese culinary. Pho is also considered as one of the most popular street food in almost all big cities of Vietnam such as Hanoi, Halong, Nam Dinh, and Ho Chi Minh City. Up to now, there has been no dish that can represent the essence of Vietnamese cuisine like pho.

## OVERVIEW

Vietnam cuisine is a delicious blend of flavors, using fresh herbs and spices to create dishes with unique tastes. From the world-famous pho noodle soup to the crispy banh mi sandwich, the food is diverse and flavorful. Fresh ingredients, bold spices, and delectable flavors make Vietnam cuisine a must-try.

## More and more yummies ...



(1) Vietnamese Bread (Banh My)

(2) La Vong grilled fish (Cha Ca La Vong)

(3) Fried Spring roll

(4) Fresh Spring roll

(5) Che

(6) Banh Cuon



## Sip on "egg coffee"

The uniqueness of egg coffee lies in its flavor which is not too bitter and doesn't have an egg smell. U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken and his delegation enjoyed coffee on Hang Bun Street in Hanoi's Old Quarter



Former President Barack Obama enjoy 'Bun Cha' in Hanoi

Former US President Barack Obama ate 'Bun Cha' on an official trip to Vietnam in 2016.

# HANOI TRANSPORTATION

## OVERVIEW

Transportation in Vietnam is **diverse** and **constantly evolving** to meet the country's growing needs. From traditional modes of transportation like bicycles and cyclos to modern cars and trains, Vietnam's transportation system offers something for everyone.

One of the **most popular** forms of transportation in Vietnam is the **motorbike**. Motorbikes are **affordable** and **easy to commute** in the country's congested cities, and they are often the **quickest** way to get around. In fact, it's estimated that there are **more than 45 million** motorbikes in Vietnam, making it the most common form of transportation (VnExpress, 2019).

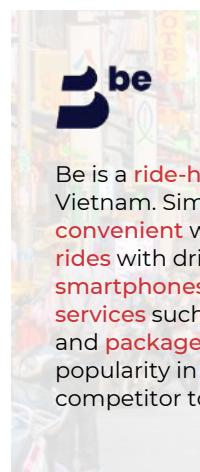
For longer journeys, **buses** are a **common choice**. Buses are relatively **inexpensive** and cover most of the country, with **both private and state-owned** bus companies operating throughout Vietnam.

**Train** travel is also a popular option, especially for **longer distances** between major cities. The country's rail network is relatively modern and offers a **comfortable** and **scenic** way to travel.

**Taxis** and **ride-sharing services** like Grab are also available in Vietnam's cities, offering a **convenient** and **affordable** way to get around.



Grab is a **ride-sharing service** that has become **very popular** in Vietnam. It offers a **convenient** and **affordable** way to get around, with options for **cars, motorbikes**, and even **electric scooters**. Grab has also expanded its services to include **food delivery** and other **on-demand services**.



Be is a **ride-hailing app** that operates in Vietnam. Similar to Grab, it offers a **convenient** way for passengers to **book rides** with drivers using their **smartphones**. Be also offers **various services** such as **car rental, car sharing, and package delivery**. It has grown in popularity in recent years and is a competitor to Grab.



VinBus is a new transportation service in Vietnam that offers **buses** with **modern amenities** such as air conditioning, Wi-Fi, and comfortable seating. It is part of the **Vingroup**, a leading Vietnamese conglomerate, and aims to provide a **high-quality** and **eco-friendly** option for long-distance travel.

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# HANOI TRANSPORTATION

Xanh SM is the country's first all-electric taxi service owned by Vingroup. Customers can choose between two options: GreenCar and LuxuryCar. The former includes "VinFast VF e34 in the company's signature Cyan blue colour." Customers ordering the LuxuryCar option will travel in the VinFast VF 8.

## EASY TO USE:

- Download the SM Green Taxi app, register for a free account
- Select a taxi service, enter the address, choose a promotional code and a form of payment
- Book a car now - Blue Taxi SM is here!



## HOW CAN I DRIVE?

## HOW CAN I GET TO VINUNI?

### Noi Bai Airport to City Center or VinUni

- Book a Grab Car – Noi Bai airport transport

You need a Grab/Bee/GSM app on your phone to book a car. Estimated fare of 300, 000VND ~ 500,000 VND/way. Choose a proper pick-up and drop-off point to avoid communication issues.

- Public Bus

Bus No. 7: CẦU GIẤY - NỘI BÀI (Parking number: P2, T1 Terminal)  
Bus 17: LONG BIÊN - NỘI BÀI (Parking number: P2, T1 Terminal)  
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# NINH BINH

## Overview

Situated near the southern margin of the Red River Delta, the Trang An Landscape Complex is a spectacular landscape of limestone karst peaks permeated with valleys, many of them partly submerged and surrounded by steep, almost vertical cliffs. Exploration of caves at different altitudes has revealed archaeological traces of human activity over a continuous period of more than 30,000 years. They illustrate the occupation of these mountains by seasonal hunter-gatherers and how they adapted to major climatic and environmental changes, especially the repeated inundation of the landscape by the sea after the last ice age. The story of human occupation continues through the Neolithic and Bronze Ages to the historical era. Hoa Lu, the ancient capital of Viet Nam, was strategically established here in the 10th and 11th centuries AD. The property also contains temples, pagodas, paddy-fields and small villages.



Distance from VinUni: 2 hours



# HALONG BAY



## Overview

Halong Bay is a stunning natural wonder located in northern Vietnam. It's famous for its emerald waters, thousands of towering limestone islands, and traditional floating villages. Visitors can enjoy scenic boat rides, explore caves, and relax on beautiful beaches. Halong Bay is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and a must-see destination for travelers to Vietnam.



Distance from VinUni: 2 hours

# GALLERY



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