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UNIVERSIDAD AUTÓNOMA DE NUEVO LEÓN®



About UANL

The Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo León (UANL)

is the third largest public university in Mexico and the most important institution of higher learning in Northeastern Mexico, which offers the highest number of academic programs. In a survey, published in 2009 by the national newspaper "El Universal", it was ranked as the fifth leading university in Mexico.



A Brief Introduction

The UANL is one of the oldest universities in Mexico. It began as a School of Law in 1824, and later the Civil Academy and the School of Medicine were founded in 1859. Through the years, its reputation for outstanding academic achievement has become known throughout the country, and it reflects the intellectual achievement of its students as well as the innovative research carried out by its faculty.

In 2011 we celebrate our 78th anniversary as the home of science and culture in Nuevo Leon, and as the principal engine for progressive education and social change in Northeastern Mexico.

UANL Mission

The mission of UANL is to form highly qualified and globally competitive professionals, researchers, professors and technicians, and to perform basic and applied research which solves regional and national problems, as well as to foster the creation and preservation of artistic and cultural expressions, with a strong and permanent link between the Institution and the community it serves.

UANL Vision 2012

Our vision synthesizes the aspiration and institutional commitment to strengthening the quality of education.

“By the year 2012, we will be acknowledged as the most prestigious public Mexican university, both nationally and internationally”



“Educación de calidad, un compromiso social”

Campuses of the UANL

The UANL has seven distinct campuses: the Main Campus, which houses the Administration Building, Colleges of Law, Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Public Accounting and Philosophy, amongst others, as well as the Football Stadium, and other sport facilities. Other campuses include the Health Sciences Campus, the Mederos Humanities and Fine Arts campus, the Marin Agronomy Center, the Escobedo Agricultural Sciences Campus, the Linares Earth Sciences, and Forestry campus, as well as the Sabinas Hidalgo facilities, where extensions of the Colleges of Law, and Business, are housed.

The **Main Campus** is located in San Nicolás de los Garza, N.L., (northern sector of the Monterrey Metroplex Area), and houses the Office of the President and Senior Staff at the Central Administration Building. Additionally, 13 Colleges are based there, as well as the Stadium, two main libraries, the central COOP and bookstore, numerous computer centers, banking facilities and cafeterias. It also houses a number of research institutes, auditoriums, gymnasiums, and a variety of sports facilities within a great expansion of wooded lawns.

The **Health Sciences Campus** is more centrally located, about 15 min. to the southwest of the Main Campus, where the Colleges of Medicine, Dentistry, Nursing, Psychology, Public Health and Nutrition and the Personnel Clinic are grouped around the “Dr. José E. González” University Hospital. This campus boasts one of the most important research facilities of the University, the **Center for Research and Development in Health Sciences**.



Thomas F. McLarty, President of Kissinger-McLarty Associates, in the Summit of the Americas Conference 2004, referred to **Monterrey as the City of Knowledge** with this quote:

“I consider it particularly appropriate that we meet in Monterrey, a dynamic locus of business and industry, but also a city with a higher concentration of colleges and universities per capita than anywhere else in Mexico; a place where the traditions of yesterday and the promises of tomorrow go hand in hand. It’s Tower of Commerce, which is the tallest monument in Mexico, symbolizes high aspirations for this country and a future of prosperity we hope to build and share.”

Monterrey, Nuevo León, Mexico

The UANL is located in the Monterrey Metroplex Area and also within 31 of the 51 municipalities of Nuevo León. As a city, Monterrey is known for its great industrial activity, and one of the greatest centers for technological and commercial interchange in Latin America. It is also known for its business and service centers. Its industries include: cement manufacturing, beer, glass, steel and food products. It is one of the most accessible cities in the country, with close connections to the U.S. border. It is surrounded by impressive natural wonders, such as the majestic mountains of the Eastern Sierra Madre Mountain Range, and “Saddle Mountain”, which is the immutable symbol of the city. It also has many theaters, art galleries and sporting venues, as well as regional and international restaurants. Nuevo Leon is bordered by the Mexican states of Coahuila, Tamaulipas and San Luis Potosí, as well as the U.S. State of Texas.



Main Campus “Ciudad Universitaria”



Health Sciences Campus

The **Mederos Campus** is located on the south side of town, nestled in the foothills, where it houses the Colleges of Communication Sciences, Music, Political Sciences, Performing Arts, Visual Arts, and Economics. Additionally, there is the Center for Physical Fitness for both students and faculty, the General Directorate for Planning and Strategic Projects, the great University Theater, the Research Center for Bilingual Education (CIDEB) and the World Trade Center. The **Marin Campus** is outside the Monterrey Metroplex Area, about 40 minutes from the Main Campus. The College of Agricultural Sciences is based there. The **Linares Campus** is two hours south of the Main Campus and houses the Colleges of Earth Sciences, Forestry, and a branch of the College of Accounting and Business Administration. The **Sabinas Hidalgo Campus** is one hour north of the Main Campus and houses branches of the Colleges of Law and Criminology as well as Accounting and Business Administration. The **Escobedo Campus** is the site for the College of Agricultural Sciences as well as Veterinary Medicine.

Mederos Campus

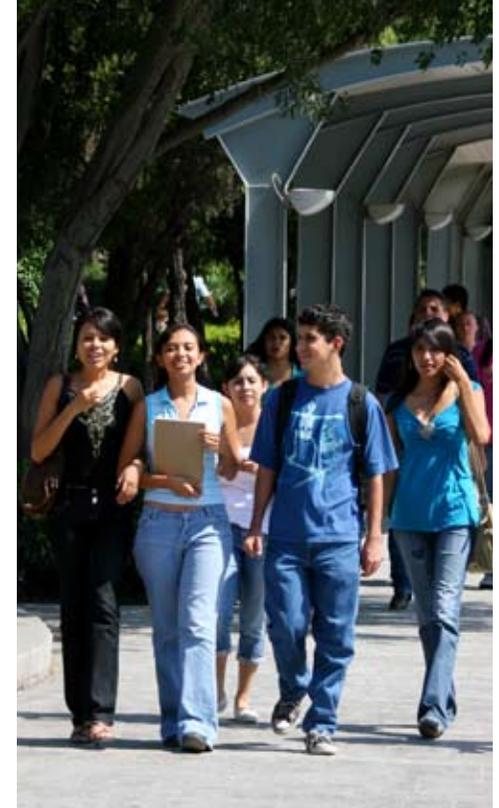
Agricultural Sciences Campus

Linares Campus



The UANL and Society

As the first institution of higher learning to be founded in Monterrey, and because of its leadership in every aspect of academic and cultural life in Nuevo León, the UANL maintains a continuous dialogue with successful professionals, as well as agents and representatives of diverse sectors of society, in order to be continually aware of the opinions, necessities, suggestions, and expectations of the community. This enables our University to respond with efficiency and high quality services to the demands of the society it serves with the up most commitment. The Advisory Boards of UANL are a unique inspiration for pertinent and well aimed actions that benefit the academic community and society at large.



Research

With over 438 highly skilled researchers, acknowledged by the National Council of Science and Technology (CONACYT), and more than 400 ongoing basic and applied sciences research projects, the UANL is the strongest research-based university in northeastern Mexico. The number of nationally recognized researchers at our Institution is higher than that of all public and private institutions combined within the State of Nuevo León. UANL publishes more than eight peer-reviewed journals in different fields of knowledge, and our researchers publish more than 300 papers in indexed journals annually.

University-Enterprise Partnerships

Regarding University-Enterprise Partnerships, UANL receives the highest allotment of funds by the National Council for Science and Technology (CONACYT) amongst all the universities in Mexico. This empowers the University to keep innovation and collaborative work with public and private productive sectors. The UANL World Trade Center, advises small and medium size enterprises and the Center for Business Incubation and Technology Transfer, maintains constant contact with entrepreneurs, investors, and inventors. In addition, each year more than 10,000 social service providers who are students at UANL, share their knowledge and enthusiasm with public and private companies in various support projects, so as to build a link between the classroom and the labor market in which they will soon be employed.

Arts & Culture

UANL has a strong commitment to foster the creation, and manifold expressions of the arts, the humanities, and the social sciences. It supports cultural diffusion through **Radio Universidad** (89.7 FM), where the students can practice their crafts with both regional and national coverage. **UANL TV CHANNEL 53**, "The Knowledge Channel", is a major cultural and educational TV option that is broadcast regionally and nationally. It profiles student's work as well as professorial commentaries. UANL also has an on-line art gallery called "Space of Art", which is the on-line version of the monthly exhibitions at the main Administration Building.

Campus Life

The programs, services, and facilities for campus life at our Institution are designed to enhance the overall university experience. A harmonious environment is maintained among teachers, researchers, students, and employees. Classes can be complimented by athletic and cultural activities in the outstanding state-of-the-art facilities that the University has for such purposes. For more information, you may visit our web page at: www.uanl.mx



Organization and Structure

The UANL is committed to excellence in teaching, research and community out-reach.

It is comprises:

- 26 Colleges
- 25 Graduate Divisions
- 24 Pre-University High Schools
 - 1 Research Center for Bilingual Education
 - 3 Technical High Schools
- 27 Centers for Technical and Academic Research
 - 4 Institutes for Research and Development in Exact and Life Sciences

These colleges and schools offer:

- 43 Technical High School Programs
- 12 Technician Programs
- 11 Technical Degree Programs
- 10 Associate Professional Degree Programs
- 68 Professional Degree Programs (Licentiate)
- 49 Specialty Degree Programs
- 52 Master Degree Programs
- 27 Doctoral Degree Programs

UANL Colleges and Schools

- College of Accounting and Business Administration
- College of Agricultural Sciences
- College of Architecture
- College of Biological Sciences
- College of Chemistry
- College of Civil Engineering
- College of Communication Sciences
- College of Dentistry
- College of Earth Sciences
- College of Economics
- College of Forestry
- College of Law and Criminology
- College Mechanical and Electrical Engineering
- College of Medicine
- College of Music
- College of Nursing
- College of Philosophy and Language Arts
- College of Physical Education
- College of Physics and Mathematics
- College of Political Sciences and Public Administration
- College of Psychology
- College of Public Health and Nutrition
- College of Social Work and Human Development
- College of Performing Arts
- College of Veterinary Medicine
- College of Visual Arts



Academic Programs.

In order to fulfill Mexico's needs for high quality education, UANL is permanently developing and improving its academic programs. All the undergraduate programs are accredited by the National Council on Educational Assessment (CIEES). International accreditation is also a top priority. UANL was the first public university in Mexico with a Civil Engineering Program to be accredited by ABET (Accreditation Board of Engineering and Technology) of the USA. The University has 66 graduate programs currently acknowledged as being of "high level" by the National Graduate Studies Roster (PNPC) of the National Council of Science and Technology (CONACYT).

The "Capilla Alfonsina" University Library.

This special library, opened in 1980, is located on the Main Campus. It contains the personal library of Alfonso Reyes, poet and writer, who was born in Monterrey, but is better known as a "Citizen of the World". The term "Capilla" (Chapel) was given to this extraordinary library, because it is considered a "sanctuary" for culture, literature, and the pursuit of knowledge. This library also has special facilities for the visually impaired.

The "Dr. José E. González" University Hospital.

This modern, cutting edge, full service University hospital, is named after the founding father of the College of Medicine. It is a true "teaching-hospital" and serves as the Clinical Department of the College of Medicine. It is a 500 bed facility which was opened in 1936 at the Health Sciences Campus with the purpose of providing health services for the public under the auspices of a teaching-learning environment. The University Hospital is the one of the largest specialty hospitals in Mexico and is the major emergency hospital in the state, serving more than 300 emergency cases per day.

Center for Business Incubation and Technology Transfer.

Facing the challenges of globalization, this center was founded to promote research and incubation of high-tech businesses. It offers services such as development, licensing and commercialization of products invented during university based research. It offers efficient transfer to the industrial and other productive sectors. The core purpose of the center is to link technological research with the industrial complex in a process that efficiently satisfies the needs of the community.

University Culture Center "Colegio Civil"



The “Raul Rangel Frías” University Library

Since its opening in September of 1995, the University Library operates as a dynamic and creative information center for both direct and electronic consultation. It supports research, teaching, and learning by providing access to superb collections and information services. Within its modern, prize winning architecture, it also houses a museum, art galleries, and a Convention Center.



Academic and Research Centers

Our University has 27 centers and 4 institutes dedicated to technological and academic research in different fields, ranging from biotechnology and industrial design, to economics and humanistic studies. In recent years, UANL has opened important new centers such as the **Center for Innovation and Research and Development in Engineering and Technology** for the development of software and research in mechatronics, material sciences, and nanotechnology, the **Center for Legal Technology and Criminological Research**, the **Center for Research and Development in Health Sciences**, all of which have a close link to industry and the service sector of society.

The UANL World Trade Center

The UANL World Trade Center promotes innovation, incubation and technological transfer. It identifies scientific, technological and economic opportunities which impact the region and the country. It integrates all the services related to international trade under the same concept and franchise with WTC in New York. It is connected to 350 WTC facilities in 98 countries and occupies a vanguard position in foreign trade.



The University Theater and Symphony Orchestra

Under the baton of Maestro Jesús Medina, the UANL Symphony Orchestra performs at the University Theater during its regular season, in spring, summer and autumn. It also offers morning performances and educational concerts focused on children. In addition to promoting musical creativity, the Symphony Orchestra seeks to enhance the cultural ambience of our city by offering the highest quality performances of classical music to a wide variety of audiences as well as through musical education community projects.

Sports

Sport activities at UANL are focused on the development of competitive practices. The UANL has been a five-time national champion in the “Universiad” in which 450 other public and private institutions compete. The “Authentic Tigers”, the American football team is one of Mexico’s finest, being ONEFA champion in 2010. Examples of modern sport facilities newly opened at UANL are the Aquatic Center, which meets Olympic standards for international competition, and the “Tiger Poly-Sport Arena” for students and accomplished athletes.

The General Directorate for Planning and Strategic Projects

This General Directorate was created with the purpose enhancing academic programs as well as studying and solving pedagogical problems which affect the academic community. It also provides audiovisual support and services to help improve development of academic performance and research.

The Civil Academy and University Culture Center

The Civil Academy, founded as the “Colegio Civil” in 1895, has occupied its present building since 1922. It was the Central Building of the University until 1960, when the Main Campus was opened. The Civil Academy houses the “Fray Servando Teresa de Mier” Grand Hall, where gala events, graduations and stage performances are held. Since 2007, it houses the University Culture Center.



UANL's Profile

- Institution established in 1933
- Type of Institution: Public (research-based)
- Total enrollment: 133,103
 - Undergraduate students: 74,519
 - Graduate students: 4,271
 - Technical High School students: 11,469
 - High School students: 40,691
 - Affiliated School students: 1,869
- Total faculty: 5,930
- Full-time faculty: 2,881
- National Researchers: 438
- Research Centers: 27
- Library facilities: 84
- Library volumes: 2,238,000
- Academic journals: 16
- Cafeterias: 53
- Student computer centers: 25
- Average students per computer: 5
- Photocopy facilities: 51
- Main campus bookstores: 9

Sports and Extracurricular Activities

- Intercollegiate sports
- Art exhibits
- Fine arts courses (non-academic)
- Folklore dance
- Guided tours
- Gymnasium and swimming
- Field athletics
- Music
- Musical groups
- Radio/television
- Small business groups
- Social service groups
- Student leadership groups



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