

# VERTO COSTA RICA CAMPUS & STUDY CENTER

In Costa Rica, you will live and study on a beautiful campus situated on over 2,400 acres in the low mountainous region of central Costa Rica.

Your study center is located at CATIE, a renowned Tropical Agricultural Research and Teaching Center, situated in the small rural town of Turrialba at the following address:

[CATIE](#)  
[Sede Central](#)  
[Cartago, Turrialba 30501](#)  
[Costa Rica](#)

## What can you expect on campus?

Participants on the Turrialba campus will be surrounded by nature. The campus is full of wildlife – there are many different types of frogs, mammals, and reptiles that you can see just by taking a walk to the cafeteria! The green campus includes a lake where you can observe birds, and a spectacular botanical garden where you'll learn about the tropical fruits, roots, and tubers that are grown in the area.

There are classrooms, a dining hall where meals are provided for those living on campus, microwaves for those who may bring a lunch from their homestay, residences, outdoor space, and more. Some staff live on-site.

When you're not in class or on excursions, you can look forward to activities on campus including volleyball, soccer, and basketball games, movie nights, board game competitions, talent shows, clubs, and more.

There are also graduate students studying and living in a different part of campus, giving you tons of opportunities to meet locals and to engage in fascinating talks, workshops, and clubs.

## What amenities are available on campus?

Services and amenities within the campus include:

- Unlimited Wi-Fi throughout
- Library with Spanish and some English resources
- Refrigerator and microwave in the dorms for common use
- Breakfast, lunch, and dinner complimentary at the cafeteria, for those living on-campus
- Free coffee available from 6am to 7pm at the cafeteria
- Washers and dryers in the dorms (costs \$2 per load of laundry and \$2 for drying)
- Fans and desks in the dorms
- Daily shuttle service to town
- Sports, arts, and cultural clubs
- CATIE Club (including a restaurant, and billiard tables)
- Grocery and souvenir shop
- Coffee shop called "Colecciones Café"
- Social areas
- ATM & bank
- Staff Office, open from 9am - 5pm at the Gamma building

## What is the layout of the campus?

You will enter the campus and see a roundabout. The first exit on the right leads to some housing, club, lake, and soccer field. The second exit on your right leads to the Verto Study Center (offices, classrooms, cafeteria, library). The third exit on your right will lead you to some more student dorms.

As you continue to walk throughout the campus you'll find the Henry Wallace building (main building) where Colecciones Café is located. You can have a cup of Costa Rican coffee or a refreshing iced coffee.

The soccer field is a huge extension of green grass where you can play any sport or do some yoga in this quiet area.

The Verto Study Center is located in the Gamma building. The staff offices are located in one of the wings of the building, and the classrooms are on the other side.

Your dedicated staff all work at the center and are available at all times. The office staff are available (9am to 5pm).

**Check out some photos of campus below. We can't wait to see you there!**



