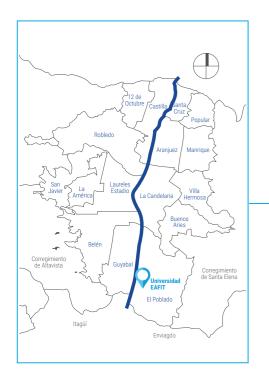


# Medellin An educational destination

Medellin, the capital of the department of Antioquia and a city known for its temperate climate, mountain scenery, enterprising population, and history of transformation, has been recognized globally and forged a place in the world on the strength of its educational programs and urban planning.

UNESCO has acknowledged the efforts of Medellin, a metropolis where education has been a key tool for bridging the inequality gap and driving social transformation and territorial development, by including it in its Global Network of Learning Cities since 2017. The priority that has been given to this area has been reflected in a stronger educational system in the city, an enhanced commitment to quality, an increased sense of belonging, and the promotion of opportunities for all.







## **Medellin: Key Statistics**

Population of Medellin and its metropolitan area in

**2022: 4,068,000** inhabitants

**Gross Domestic Product:** 

USD 43.078 million 7.4% of Colombian GDP

Investment in science, technology, and innovation (STI) activities equivalent to

2.45% of GDP.

# **Business Fabric:**

13 of the country's 100-largest companies were founded and/or have their headquarters in Medellín, including four of the top five: Grupo Éxito, Grupo Sura, EPM, and Grupo Argos.

High- quality institutional accreditation:

1 out of 15 in Antioquia and 1 out of 100 in Colombia

Medellin was recognized as the

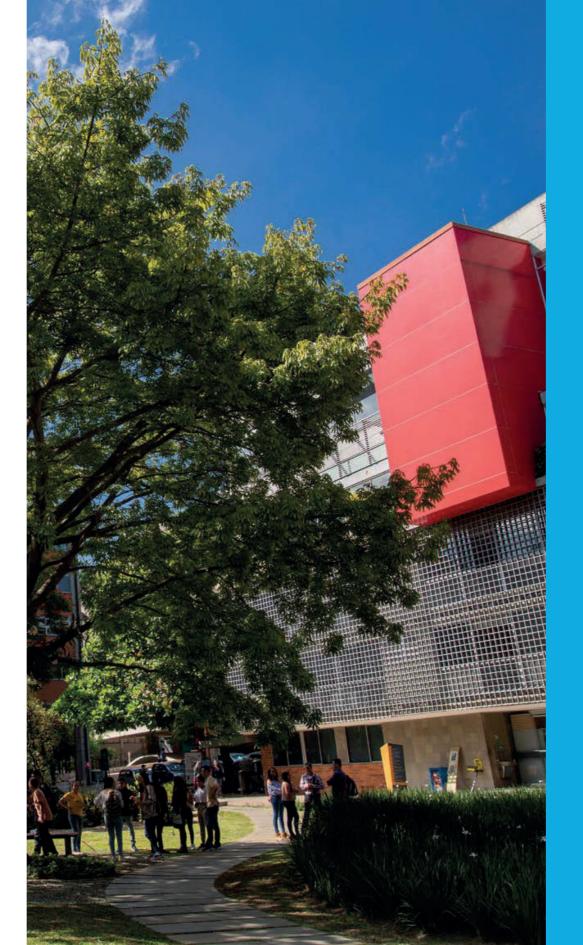
thirdbest city in the world to live in according to Time Out.

# **EAFIT**

Founded in 1960 and the first university in Antioquia to obtain High Quality Accreditation from the National Education Ministry, Universidad EAFIT is an institution that is convinced that academic excellence, the strengthening of faculty, teaching and research efforts, and an improved national and international presence are key pillars for impacting communities.

In keeping with these objectives and also considering the requirements of the new urban agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), there is a pressing need for work plans that revolve around humanitycentered learning, discovery, creation, and culture, coupled with the development of society-building partnerships with local and international allies, as set forth in our Itinerary 2030.

The high quality of this offering is reflected in the QS World University Rankings (2022), in which EAFIT is positioned among the 57 best universities in Latin America. The School of Management is the third business school worldwide and first in Latin America to achieve accreditation from the Business Graduates Association (BGA). In 2021, 956 universities participated in the UI Green Metric World University Ranking. EAFIT was ranked 130th globally, 16th in Latin America, and 12th nationally.



# **EAFIT: Key Statistics**

+25

undergraduate programs

**Graduate Programs** 

6 doctorate programs

100%

of accreditable undergraduate programs have obtained High Quality Accreditation 45+
master's
degree
programs

**40+** graduate certificate programs

**628** full-time faculty

**710** adjunct faculty

98,3%

of faculty have a master's degree and PhD

#### **Students**

Nearly

10,000+ undergraduate students Around
3,100+
graduate

students

**59,000+** undergraduate and graduate alumni



# Internationalization **EAFIT**

# **Our Purpose:**

We create opportunities that forge links between members of the EAFIT community and the outside world.

# **Our services:**

#### **Partnerships**

- Maintain partnerships with partner institutions and/or international and local allies to manage agreements and alliances that provide opportunities to the university community as a whole (students, faculty, and administrative employees).
- Represent the institution at the national and international levels.
- Maintain constant communication and distribute institutional material directly to partner institutions and during our participation in global outreach, mobility, and international cooperation fairs and events.

- Support the schools in the process of obtaining international institutional accreditation for the university's academic programs.
- Coordinate, accompany, and design schedules of activities during campus visits by international institutions and allies, whether partner institutions or prospective partners.
- Provide assistance with visits, events, or missions led by the schools and/or the Vice President's offices.

# **EAFIT Undergraduate and Graduate Students - Outgoing**

 Permanently communicate national and international mobility

- opportunities through diverse channels: Informational talks on campus, web sessions, social media, the internationalization website, etc.
- Provide consulting and support during the application process for different national and international mobility opportunities, assuming the role of intermediary between the student, the host university, and EAFIT. These include special pre-departure activities, a return interview, and the EAFIT Ambassadors program.
- Offer remote administrative support and psychological counseling during the students' time away from campus, in coordination with the Student Development Department.

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### **Incoming Exchange Students**

- Provide permanent counseling and support during the entire mobility process at EAFIT, including special activities such as the induction and orientation session, tour for exchange students, EAFIT cultural agenda, and Buddy Program.\*
- Communicate with and support partner universities throughout the entire mobility process at EAFIT, including sending transcripts at the end of the student exchange.

### **Global Learning**

- The Global Learning Coordination is responsible for creating, promoting and executing global learning experiences for students beyond international mobility, as a formative and cultural experience by implementing methodological initiatives for internationalization at home, for example: COIL, Mirror Classrooms, academic missions, among others.
- Generate opportunities for internationalization in the learning experience within and outside the curriculum.
- Building competencies for internationalization of the curriculum and internationalization at home.
- Promote the development of competencies related to global citizenship and its insertion in global contexts.



<sup>\*</sup>Support programs for international students upon their arrival at the Medellin campus.

# **Key Statistics**

#### International students

Around

250 exchange and

dualdegree students per year

More than

20

countries of origin

Australia Bolivia Brazil Chile

Denmark Finland France Germany taly

Japan

Mexico Netherlands New Zealand Peru

Poland Portugal Spain Sweden Switzerland **United States** 



### **EAFIT** students abroad

Around

200

exchange and dualdegree students per year

Nearly

20 destination

countries

Argentina Australia Belgium Denmark England France

Germany Italy Japan

Mexico Netherlands New Zealand Poland Portugal South Korea Spain Switzerland Turkey

**United States** Brazil

Sweden



### International agreements

More than

240

agreements

With more than

237 partner

institutions

In more than

38 countries

Argentina Australia Austria Belaium

Brazil Canada Chile China Colombia Costa Rica Cuba

Denmark Ecuador

South Korea Finland France French Guiana Germany Ireland

Italy Japan Luxembourg Mexico Netherlands New Zealand Peru

Poland Portugal Spain Sweden. Switzerland Turkev United Kingdom **United States** Uruguay.





"I'm Nicolò Ottonello from Italy. I was fortunate to be an exchange student at EAFIT. I had a great experience. The facilities and campus are beautiful. They were so pretty that I would typically spend my time on campus even on thedays I didn't have any classes. I would go there to study or just to playsoccer with other students on the large field on campus. The quality of the classes was really high, the classrooms very big and comfortable. Theprofessors are excellent and my relationships with them were very good. They helped me a lot at first, right after I arrived, so I felt a lot of support. Iwant to thank everyone at EAFIT, especially the Internationalization Office."

# **University Facts**

- Campus park with 29,845 m2 of greenareas and 15,847 m2 of sports areas.
- Biodiversity of animals on campus (36 species of animals, 32 species of birds,152 types of plants and trees, 60 types of orchids).
- Medical and sports services

- EAFIT Language Center
- Psychological support
- More than 104 active learning laboratories
- Food courts
- Student groups
- Workshops and artistic activities groups

### Internationalization of research and innovation

131

research incubators and

students

Colombia's leading private university in terms of number of patents

More than

20

projects with financing from international partners

research groups

20

spin-offs

62 patents and new creations

**Main cooperation** partners:

European Commission, USAID, the Government of the United Kingdom. Pacific Alliance



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