



## Looking for an internship in Brazil?

The University of Twente recently signed an Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Curitiba and 12 more Dutch and Brazilian parties including local universities such as the public university UFPR. The MoU offers students and researchers a new possibility to work in an international environment on interesting High Tech, Human Touch projects in the field of mobility and innovative city planning.

### **Wanted: UT interns**

We are now looking for UT students (3<sup>rd</sup> year BSc or MSc) who would like to participate in the exchange programme with Curitiba as an intern. Topics include urban planning, mobility and business innovation – see next pages. Possible study backgrounds are IBA, IPA or Civil Engineering. Interns could start from March 2016.

## Internship at IPPUC

The Institute for Urban Research and Planning (IPPUC) develops the city's Master Plan and related visionary and strategic planning documents. IPPUC houses our *Citilab Facility* that offers interns a working space in a private room, facilitation of meetings with IPPUC staff and with people from other local government agencies.



Topics include:

- Develop business models for innovative financing of (bicycle) infrastructure projects
- Develop bicycle infrastructure and accompanying user guides
- Develop a training package for city planners to improve (bicycle) infrastructure planning
- Develop and run a survey on (bicycle) mobility with the population
- A Dutch-Brazilian comparative study on implementing (bicycle) infrastructure or mobility cultures

## Internship at Federal University of Paraná (UFPR)

UFPR was the first university founded in Brazil (1912). Most of its 123 courses are classified as excellent or very good. UFPR develops research in several areas close to the public and private sector. Innovation, sustainability, interdisciplinarity and internationalization are part of its institutional focus. Its research also focuses on critical aspects for community engagement (e.g. gamification and collaborative design as alternative approaches).



Topics include: Architecture, Urban Planning, Environmental Engineering and Design.

### **Internship at the Technological University of Paraná (UTFPR)**

UTFPR was the first technological university in Brazil. Nowadays it offers more than 100 undergraduate courses in Technology, Bachelors of Science and Bachelors of Arts.



Topics vary, e.g. they are now looking for students to develop graphic material on mobility.

### **Internship at PUCPR**

PUCPR is recognized as one of the main universities in Brazil due to its infrastructure developed to foster excellence in education and influence the socioeconomic progress of the community. *Cities* is one of the five main strategic themes for PUCPR. The Postgraduate Program in Urban Management (PPGTU) has a research line on Planning and Design of Urban and Regional Spaces with a specific project on urban mobility.



PUCPR has an undergraduate English Semester Program that offers courses of the different Schools (Architecture and Design, Business, Law, and Engineer courses). They are receiving students from many countries (Mexico, Germany, Canada, Spain, Italy, Finland, etc.) in courses as Current Trends in Urban Design, Urban Acupuncture, Integrated Urban Design, Environmental Studies, and others.

### **Internship at FIEP**

FIEP is the association of industries of the state of Paraná. It develops the state's professional education as well as strategies on innovation and international collaboration.



Topics include: 1) Explore opportunities for collaboration and business development for the UT – and the Dutch knowledge sector in general and 2) Analyse the FIEP innovation strategy and its implementation.

## **Practicalities**

Curitiba is a relatively rich and prosperous city with many descendants from Europeans that came to the city in the early 1900s. The city has regular flights to São Paulo (400 km), from where you can take a direct flight to Amsterdam.

In general, life in Brazil is cheaper than living in the Netherlands is. There are funds available to cover your costs, see the Nuffic website or contact your International Faculty Person. It is unlikely that you will receive payment during your internship.

Students in Brazil are expected to find accommodation themselves. There are Dutch-based commercial bureaus that can help you in finding an apartment, but also our partners in Curitiba can help you in this.

More info:

<https://www.utwente.nl/studyabroad/nl/>

<https://www.wilweg.nl>

<https://www.utwente.nl/igs/smartcities/curitiba/>

## **Interested?**

If you have any (practical) questions, you want to know more about one of the topics in this brochure or you want to discuss a topic that is not listed, please feel free to contact the Coordinator of the MoU with Curitiba:

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