

PROGRAM PROVIDER: **MAXIMO NIVEL**

COMPARING PROGRAM MODELS

**STUDY CENTER MODEL**

**UNIVERSITY PARTNER MODEL**

<p><b>HOUSING OPTIONS</b> Who will they live with...other American students, other international students? Will they live on-campus, off-campus?</p>	<p>Students may choose from host family shared room, host family private room, student residence, private apartment, hostel, and hotel accommodations. Students will often live with 1 or 2 other international students when selecting host family or student residence accommodations.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p><b>MEAL PLAN OPTIONS</b> Are meals provided, do they pay for their own meals?</p>	<p>All host family and student residence accommodations include breakfast and dinner 7 days/week. At other accommodations, students may cook for themselves (apartment) or use local food delivery services</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p><b>CULTURAL ACTIVITIES OPTIONS</b> Are these available to students with both program models? Is the cost different?</p>	<p>At Maximo Nivel, we offer a number of free on-campus cultural activities including Salsa dance classes, cooking classes, Tandem Conversation Program, and more.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p><b>OPTIONAL EXCURSION OPTIONS</b> Are these available to students with both program models? Is the cost different?</p>	<p>Many other travel, trekking, and tourism activities can be booked with our onsite travel partner 7 days/week.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p><b>ON-SITE STAFF</b> Who is available to students? How much oversight will be given to students?</p>	<p>The Maximo Nivel institutes were specifically created to be a home-base for international students. The institutes are open 7 days/week, including holidays; the campus is closed <i>only</i> on 25 December and 1 January. The Maximo Nivel team is multi-cultural and multi-lingual; many have been international students themselves and all are local experts. Visiting students are provided excellent student service, academic support, and field management for project-based programs.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p><b>COURSE LOCATION</b> Where would students be taking their courses? On a university campus or at an independent location?</p>	<p>All courses are offered at the Maximo Nivel institute. These include large, comfortable buildings and classrooms in San Jose, Costa Rica; Manuel Antonio, Costa Rica; Antigua, Guatemala; and Cusco, Peru.</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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<b>INSTRUCTORS FOR COURSES</b> Who will be teaching the courses? Faculty hired by the Provider or Faculty at an actual university?	All instructors at Maximo Nivel are highly qualified instructors. We have both full-time and adjunct faculty. All faculty members hold appropriate-level degrees and certifications for the courses they teach.	N/A
<b>COURSE AVAILABILTIY</b> Are students limited on what courses they can take? Are there only certain courses available at the Study Centers?	All programs are offered year-round; and new programs begin every Monday. Course availability is guaranteed.	N/A
<b>STUDY CENTER LOCATIONS</b> How many different Study Center locations are available?	4 LOCATIONS: San Jose, Costa Rica; Manuel Antonio, Costa Rica; Antigua, Guatemala; and Cusco, Peru.	N/A

**WHAT MAKES MAXIMO NIVEL SPECIAL?**

New programs start every Monday year-round

All-inclusive programs—accommodations, meals, and many extras

No registration or processing fees

Professional multi-lingual, multi-cultural Student Service Team

Field Managers to directly support students at service learning and internship programs

Institute is open 7 days/week

Free coffee and tea and on-site snack bar

Emergency contact number 24/7

Free WiFi and computer lab

Program & Safety Orientation with Walking Tour

Official certificate awarded for all programs

Letter of recommendation

Spanish language tutoring table (Free)

Tandem Conversation Program (Free)

Salsa dance classes (Free)

Cooking classes (Free)