

CEA CAPA Housing Policies

Students should be familiar with CEA CAPA's complete housing policies. This information was provided to students as part of the application process and in their pre-departure materials and can also be found on our website: www.ceaStudyAbroad.com/docs/default-source/policy-library/CEA_Policies.

Description

Students may choose to live in a Chilean home with one of Viña del Mar or Valparaíso's host families. Public transportation to the university is easily accessible throughout the city and students should expect to commute to campus everyday. Students will be provided three meals a day by their hosts. Families are chosen for their friendliness and helpfulness to the student. This option is perfect for students who are looking to experience family life in Chile, and who are willing to adapt to the structure and values of the family. Homestays allow each participant to continue practicing Spanish outside of class while learning about daily life in Chile.

Meals

Students will be provided three meals per day, breakfast, lunch and dinner. Students should keep in mind that meals in Chile are different from what they are accustomed to in the US. Students will be expected to eat at the times designated by their family and in most cases will not have access to the kitchen between meals. In addition, students are expected to notify their family if they will be arriving late for or missing any meals (or if they need to bring food to the university in cases of short breaks between classes or on field trips when required).

Phone

There will be a phone in each home stay available for incoming calls. Students will be responsible for any outgoing call charges they incur. Students must be careful not to block the family phone for too long.

Linens

Students will be provided with all bed linens, including pillows, sheets and a comforter. Students should bring their own bath/beach towels.

Laundry

Students will receive laundry service once per week. Students will generally not have access to laundry facilities in the casa to do their own laundry.

Smoking/Alcohol Consumption

Alcohol consumption and smoking are prohibited in all of the CEA CAPA housing assignments.

Amenities

Each student's room is fully furnished including a bed, and a closet or dresser. In some cases, students will have a private bathroom and will share all common spaces in their homes. Students are encouraged to ask before using items in the home, since they are guests in the homestay.

Guests

CEA CAPA students are responsible for the conduct of their guests while in CEA CAPA housing. Overnight guests are **Not Permitted** in any housing assignment. Students should always ask before bringing someone to the house.

Curfew

There is no curfew for students staying with a home stay family. Home stay families do request, however, that students call ahead if coming home late, staying out all night or not coming home for meals.

Keys & Security

Each student will be issued keys to their housing upon check-in. Under no circumstances may students make a copy of their keys. In the event that keys are lost during the program, students will be responsible for the cost of replacement. A minimum fee of \$50 will be deducted from the program damage deposit for each set of keys not returned upon completion of the program. In addition, students are required to follow any additional security procedures as dictated by their specific housing assignment/facility.

Utilities

CEA CAPA will cover all reasonable utility expenses. Students who incur utility charges above and beyond what is deemed reasonable by CEA CAPA will be responsible for paying the excessive charges. If responsibility cannot be determined, the cost will be split equally among all residents. Please note that drinking water and electricity are very expensive in Valparaiso/Viña del Mar. Students are expected to be mindful of this when using electricity and water in their host country, and to be more conservative than they might otherwise be accustomed to. CEA CAPA reserves the right to withhold academic transcripts for any outstanding balance on student accounts.

Damages

All students must respect all furniture, property, and other items provided. All damage, even unintentional, will be billed to the student responsible. If responsibility cannot be determined, the cost will be split equally among all residents. CEA CAPA reserves the right to withhold academic transcripts for any outstanding balance on student accounts.