



## Agenda for strengthening inter-institutional relations with non-Spanish-speaking countries

Universidad Católica de Colombia strengthens internationalization in Brazil



FAUBAI is dedicated to advancing the internationalization of higher education in Brazil and abroad by bringing together experts and leaders in education to share knowledge, best practices, and collaboration opportunities. This important event is known for uniting representatives from educational institutions worldwide, providing a unique platform for exchanging experiences and forming strategic partnerships.

To establish new connections and foster collaborations in Brazil, Patricia Serrano Esguerra, Director of International and Inter-institutional Relations, and Luisa Fernanda Orozco Silva, Academic Mobility Coordinator participated in the 2024 edition of FAUBAI, held in São Paulo, Brazil.

### Objectives of participation in FAUBAI 2024:

- Establish new relationships and generate connections with Brazilian educational institutions to facilitate academic, research, and cultural cooperation.
- Strengthen internationalization efforts by implementing strategies and agreements that promote student and faculty mobility, as well as joint research and development projects.
- Showcase the strengths and academic programs of the Catholic University of Colombia on a global scale, attracting talent and resources that contribute to institutional growth.

Through this initiative, the Universidad Católica de Colombia advances its mission of internationalization by exploring new collaboration opportunities and fostering development. Participation in FAUBAI 2024 marks a significant step towards building a global network of educational institutions committed to academic excellence and institutional growth.

## Universidad Católica de Colombia is part of the QS World University Rankings 2025



In this new edition, the University is ranked among the top 20 higher education institutions nationwide and the top 10 in Bogotá.

For the fourth consecutive year, the Universidad Católica de Colombia has been included in the QS World University Ranking, which assesses higher education institutions globally based on factors such as research, employability, academic experience, global engagement, and sustainability, among others.

This year, the University improved its rating in the international network's indicator, reflecting the positive impact of its efforts to build sustainable research partnerships with both national and international collaborators.

Research has been highlighted as a key strength in this ranking, with a 7% increase in the indicator for citations per professor in the fields of Social and Administrative Sciences, Arts and Humanities, and Engineering and Technology. This growth demonstrates the significant impact of the University's publications.

We extend our gratitude to the entire university community and encourage them to maintain their commitment and dedication. Together, let us continue advancing our person-centered educational project, aligned with the evolving challenges of education and focused on creating spaces for dialogue that contribute to the social development of the country.

## Universidad Católica de Colombia once again ranked in the Impact Ranking of Times Higher Education



Times Higher Education  
**Impact Rankings**  
SDG1 NO POVERTY  
2024 TOP 600

The Universidad Católica de Colombia has received notable recognition in the Times Higher Education (THE) Impact Ranking for the second consecutive year. In this edition, the University is ranked between 801-1000 out of 1,591 institutions worldwide.

The University has demonstrated its commitment to and progress in 16 of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), with particular distinction in SDG 16, which focuses on Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions. In this area, the University ranks among the top 300 universities globally.



Times Higher Education  
**Impact Rankings**  
SDG3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING  
2024 TOP 800

Furthermore, the University has achieved impressive results in key areas such as:



Times Higher Education  
**Impact Rankings**  
SDG16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS  
2024 TOP 600

- No Poverty (SDG 1)
- Decent Work and Economic Growth (SDG 8)
- Good Health and Well-being (SDG 3)
- Quality Education (SDG 4)
- Partnerships for the Goals (SDG 17)

The Universidad Católica de Colombia has also improved its performance in the following areas compared to the previous edition:

- Reducing Inequalities (SDG 10)
- Responsible Production and Consumption (SDG 12)
- Life Below Water (SDG 14)
- Climate Action (SDG 13)
- Life on Land (SDG 15)

Nationally, the University is among the top five institutions in the ranking, alongside Universidad de Los Andes, Universidad de La Salle, and Universidad de la Costa. This ranking underscores the University's commitment to sustainable development in Colombia.

These achievements are attributed to the University's effective governance model, which promotes the involvement of the academic community in decision-making and collaboration with local stakeholders. The Law School's specialized advice to public institutions and the management of diverse research projects also contribute to these results.

In education, the University has enhanced access to basic services within communities, promoted entrepreneurship programs, and committed to training health workers, particularly in psychology. It has also undertaken initiatives to improve mental and physical health within both its internal and local communities.

Our University is proud of its exceptional standing in the Times Higher Education Impact Ranking and reaffirms its dedication to sustainable development, quality education, and the formation of partnerships to achieve the SDGs.