About San Miguel de Los Bancos, Ecuador
Known as the County of Love, San Miguel de Los Bancos (S.M.L.B) is a rural, agricultural, and dairy farming county with easy access to Quito. S.M.L.B straddles the highlands and the coast, and the culture is a blend of these two geographical regions.

PROGRAM FEES
Total cost: $7,074* | Deposit: $300
What’s included:
• Airport pickup and dropoff
• Housing and some meals (breakfast and dinner)
• Weekly excursions and cultural activities
• Transportation to all activities and excursions
• Travel and health insurance
• Spanish classes (5 hours/week)
• 24/7 in-community support

Additional expenses (not included):
• Airfare to and from Quito
• Passport fees (if applicable)
• Lunch, other supplemental meals or snacks
• Personal spending money
• Daily transportation costs (if applicable)
• Any COVID-19 expenses: testing, PPE, etc.

*If you aren’t receiving credit for courses through your university, you’ll pay an additional fee for Amizade’s signature course. Contact us for pricing.

DAILY LIFE
What to expect during the program:
• Homestays with local families
• High-speed internet access
• Guaranteed privacy and desk space for your classes
• Weekly Amizade signature course sessions (3 credits)
• Breakfast and dinner included (lunch on your own)
• Local support from Amizade site director
• Minimum of 10 hours of volunteer service per week (you can do more if you want!)
• Weekly excursions and activities
• Excursions may include: Quito’s historic center, Otavalo, the Middle of the World, Pedernales beach, and local sites in and around San Miguel de Los Bancos

SERVICE IN S.M.L.B
When you get to San Miguel de Los Bancos, the Amizade site director will help you set up your social action placement and weekly service. You’ll likely be with an organization that focuses on one of these themes:
• Disability Services
• Elderly Services
• Environmental Sustainability & Conservation
• Agriculture
• Education & After school activities

IMPORTANT DATES
Fall 2021 Program dates:
• Application deadline: August 1, 2021
• Program start date: September 1, 2021
• Program end date: November 10, 2021

Fall 2021 Payment dates:
• $300 deposit due within 2 weeks of acceptance, on or before August 1, 2021
• Full payment deadline: September 1, 2021*

*Or requests for financial aid deferral

REQUIREMENTS
• 18+ years old
• Pass a background check
• Proof of COVID-19 vaccination
• Proof of health insurance, US sites only
• Enrollment in Amizade signature course (3 credits)
• Commitment to Amizade ethics

These important dates and requirements are the same across all Campus Anywhere sites.

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