

January 7-8-9 2026
Santiago, Chile

2^o LATAMSHM

2nd Latin-American Workshop on
Structural Health Monitoring

2026

**Access, transportation
and accommodation**



Travel Information

Getting to Santiago

You can reach Santiago by plane or by bus from neighbouring countries. Santiago Airport (SCL), officially known as Arturo Merino Benitez International Airport, receives direct flights from 63 different airports in 19 countries, including 17 domestic flights. It is the largest airport in Chile, with at least one flight arriving at Santiago Airport every 8 minutes.



To check flights to SCL, go to the section "How to get to Chile?" at <https://www.chile.travel/en/about-chile>

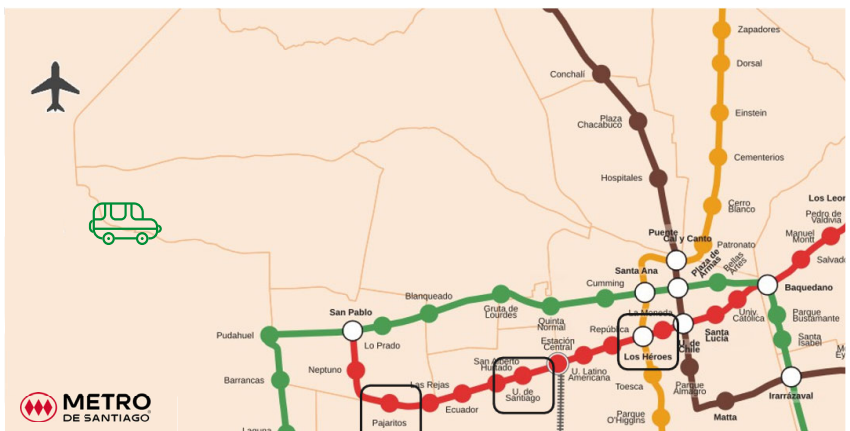
From the Airport to Santiago Metro Network

Two companies, **TurBus** (<https://www.turbus.cl/traslados>) and **CentroPuerto** (<https://www.centropuerto.cl>), offer reliable and affordable express and direct shuttle service between Santiago Airport and the Santiago Metro Network.

TurBus takes you to Pajaritos Metro Station or to Universidad de Santiago Metro Station (both in Line 1, the red one). CentroPuerto takes you to Pajaritos Metro Station or to Los Héroes Metro Station (both in Line 1).



General
Public Fare:
CLP 2,000
One Way



<https://www.metro.cl/el-viaje/plano-de-red>

Travel Information

Public Transportation Buses from SCL to the city

Bus 555 is part of the Santiago public transportation network and runs from Santiago Airport to Pajaritos Metro Station (Line 1, the red one). To use public buses, you must purchase a **Bip! card**. You can buy this card in the baggage claim area of the international terminal. No payments are accepted on the buses.

⌚ Approximately CLP 800 per person 

Getting a taxi

Taxi and shuttle service counters are located after the baggage pick up and before the exit to the Airport's open areas. You may pay on the counters by cash or credit card. No payments are made in the vehicle. The journey between the airport and the central city can take considerably longer during peak traffic periods.

If you're traveling to the Airport by taxi, make sure you allow plenty of time.

Please do not use unofficial taxi/shuttle vehicle services, as you may risk excessive charges.



<https://www.nuevopudahuel.cl/servicios/taxi-turismo-oficial>

⌚ Approximately CLP 20,000 to CLP 30,000 - about 30 minutes

Car rental



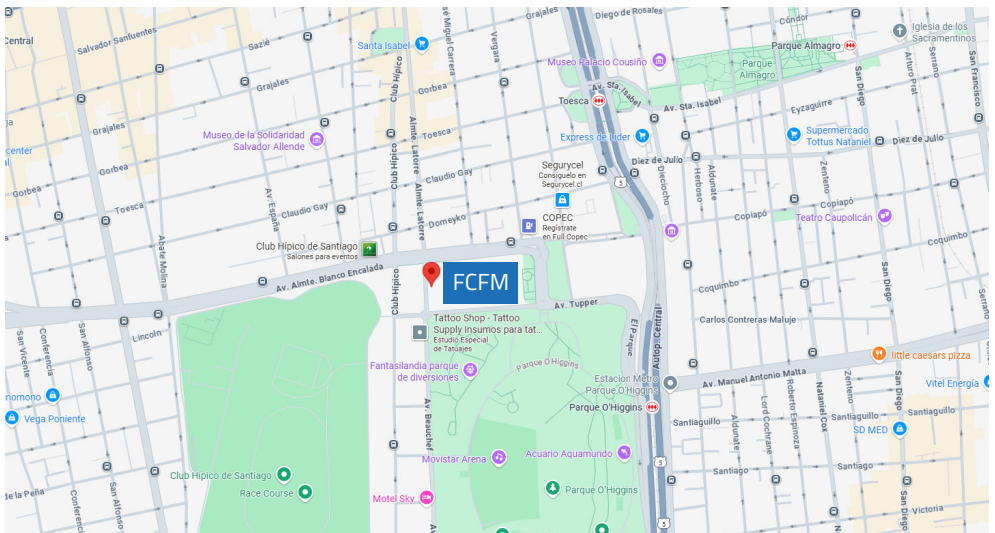
Major rental car companies operate from the Airport.
Bookings are strongly recommended.

Getting to the Conference Venue

Once you are in Santiago central area, there are several ways to arrive at the Faculty of Physical and Mathematical Sciences (FCFM), located in the Beaucheff Campus of Universidad de Chile, where the conference will take place. The Santiago public transportation network includes metro and buses. To use public buses and metro, you must purchase a **Bip! card**. You can buy this card in the baggage claim area of the international terminal or in any metro station. No payments are accepted on the buses.

Campus address: Beaucheff 851, Santiago.

Location in Google Maps: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/c4D1pmyDqpt9BSbK8>



Getting to the Conference Venue

By metro

You can reach FCFM with a 12-minute walk from Parque O'Higgins Metro Station or from Toesca Metro Station, both located in L2 (yellow line), or an 18-minute walk from República Metro Station (L1, red line).

Metro stations are open from 6:00 to 23:00 on working days, from 6:30 to 23:00 on Saturdays, and from 8:00 to 23:00 on Sundays. Metro fares range from CLP 690 to CLP 850, depending on the time of the day.



Parque O'Higgins
Av. Manuel Antonio Matta

Toesca
Toesca

Los Héroes
Av. Lib. Bernardo O'Higgins

On weekdays during peak hours (6:00–9:00 and 18:00–21:00), Line 2 (yellow) operates with a differentiated route system, where trains stop only at certain stations. For arrival and departure from FCFM, the most relevant stations are Parque O'Higgins (red route), Toesca (green route), and Los Héroes (mixed route).

Getting to the Conference Venue

By bus

Santiago buses run to FCFM from several locations. You can plan your trip and track the locations of buses arriving to a given stop by using Google Maps or the app Red Metropolitana de Movilidad, available for Android, iPhone, and Huawei phones. Links to download the app can be found at



<https://www.red.cl/acerca-de-red/app-red/>.

Internet connection is not needed to use the app.

You can avoid walking from Parque O'Higgins Metro Station to FCFM by taking buses 506, 506e, 506v, 507, and 509 at stop PA450, across the street from the metro station.

By taxi or rideshare

You can get to FCFM using taxis or rideshare services such as Uber and Cabify. You can ask to be taken to the exact address (Beaucheff 851, Santiago) or to the nearest intersection (Blanco Encalada & Beaucheff).

By car

There are limited car parks outside the campus - these are on a first come, first serve basis.

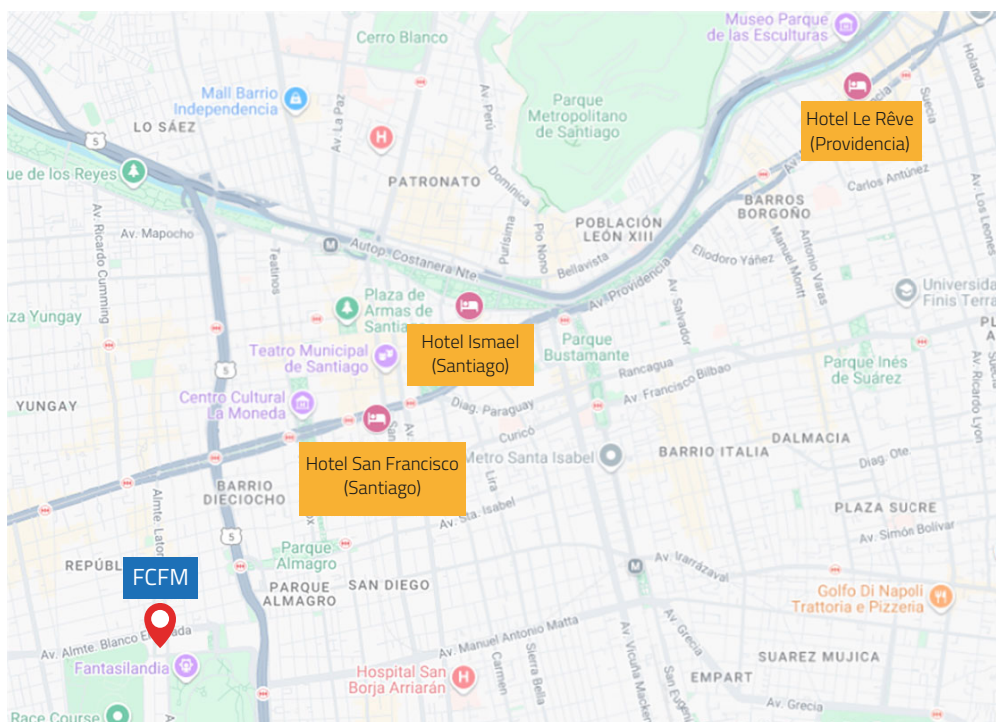


Accommodation

There are several accommodation options available for your visit to Santiago during the conference, with single rooms starting at USD 40 per night.

We recommend staying near the city center, in Santiago Centro or Providencia, close to a metro station for easy access to the conference venue.

We have partnered with three iconic hotels, all within walking distance of the metro and just a few minutes from the Faculty of Physical and Mathematical Sciences FCFM (conference venue):



To book, please email malvarez@plazasanfrancisco.cl, indicating that you are attending the LATAM-SHM Conference to receive preferential rates in these hotels.

Accommodation

Hotel Plaza San Francisco – Santiago



5-star hotel, buffet breakfast, Wi-Fi, gym, swimming pool and sauna.

💰 From USD 110 (single).
www.plazasanfrancisco.cl

Hotel Ismael – Lastarria District - Santiago



Boutique hotel, breakfast, Wi-Fi, rooftop pool, modern design.

💰 From USD 110 (single).
www.ismaelhotel.com

Hotel Le Rêve – Providencia



Boutique hotel in a National Heritage building, buffet breakfast, Wi-Fi.

💰 From USD 179 (single/double).
www.lerevehotel.cl



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About Chile

Language

Spoken by 99,3% of the population, Chile has Spanish as its de facto official language. Only a small proportion (about 10%) of the population speaks English.

Passport and visa

Check the PDF downloadable at:

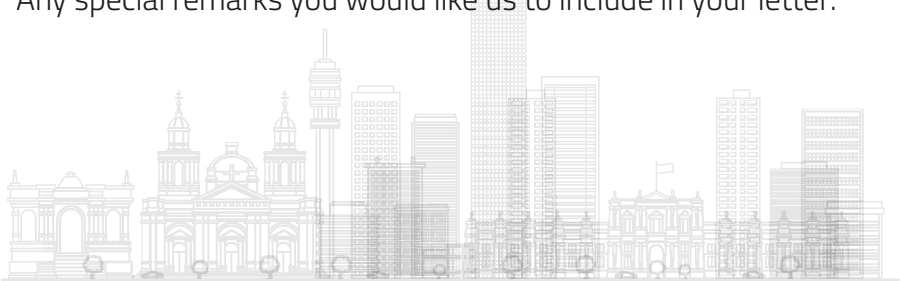
<https://www.consulado.gob.cl/cuadro-de-visas-y-aranceles-de-chile>

Nationals from Australia need an e-visa:

<https://www.consulado.gob.cl/servicios/e-visa-para-australia>

For international participants from countries that require a visa to enter Chile, we encourage you to apply early. Only authors or co-authors of accepted abstracts may request a visa invitation letter. If you need an invitation letter for your visa application, please send the following information to the LATAM-SHM 2026 Organizing Committee at latamshm2026@uchile.cl:

- Your email:
- First name:
- Last name:
- Passport number:
- Physical address (to be included in the Visa letter):
- Title of your abstract:
- Expected date to enter and depart Chile:
- Any special remarks you would like us to include in your letter:



About Chile

Currency

The currency in Chile is the Chilean Peso (CLP/\$).

Power Plugs

Chilean power plug types are C and L, which are those that have two or three round pins arranged in a line. Chile operates on a 220V supply voltage and 50Hz. If your appliance's plug does not match the shape of these sockets, you will need a travel adapter in order to plug it in.

<https://www.power-plugs-sockets.com/chile/>

Telephone Codes and Useful Numbers

The Chilean country code +56 will allow you to call Chile from another country. The code 56 is followed by an area code. The Santiago area code is 2 (+56 2xxxxxxx), whereas the area code for mobile phones is 9 (+56 9xxxxxxx).

Where to call in case of emergency?

Ambulance: 131

Firemen: 132

Police: 133



About Chile

Weather

January is summer in Chile; the weather is hot, with an average temperature of 30°C (86°F). The average high temperature for the month is around 33°C (91°F) and the average low temperature is about 17°C (63°F), with the nights being warm and generally comfortable, often not requiring a jacket.

Liability and Insurance

Please check the validity of your insurance before traveling to the conference. The Local Organizing Committee does not accept any liability for personal injury, loss or damage of personal belongings, or additional expenses incurred to congress participants (or their accompanying people) either during the conference or as a result of any other causes.



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