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The Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras is the leading institution in Honduran higher education, maintaining a strong commitment to the academy, research, science, culture and development. UNAH was founded in 1847 by a constitutional mandate to lead and develop higher education in Honduras. With over 165 years of service, UNAH is the guiding entity in public and private higher education. Currently, UNAH has over 80,000 students enrolled in 9 university centers located nationwide, with its base at Ciudad Universitaria campus in the capital of Honduras, Tegucigalpa. The university also has a network of 5 Telecenters and 8 Long Distance Learning Resources Centers (CRAED) allowing Honduras to promote ethnic and cultural diversity in the higher education programs of Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras.

UNAH's autonomy was conquered on October 15th, 1957 granting the right of self-government. UNAH within this autonomy proclaimed the ideological pluralism, management and administration of its own resources, the ability to independently select its own authorities, manage its employment relations, and articulate policies regarding the entries, outflow and permanence of students, as well as the faculty to issue the statutory regulations needed for the Institutional Law.

VISION

A leading institution of national and international higher education; leading in the transformation of Honduran society towards sustainable human development with human resources of the highest academic, scientific and ethical standards. An institution with a democratic government, organized in networks and decentralized, transparent in accountability, with academic, administrative/financial participatory management, strategic, modern and focused on quality and relevance of education, research and outreach with the Honduran and global society, based on the new paradigms of science and education processes.

MISSION

We are a public autonomous university; constitutionally responsible for organizing, directing and developing the third and fourth levels of the national education system. Our scope of production and scientific action is universal. Our commitment is to contribute through the training of professionals, research and university-society outreach for sustainable human development of the country, and through science and culture we generate, contribute to the participation of Honduras in the universality and the development in humane and equal conditions, serving the academic relevance to the various regional needs and national level.

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INTRODUCTION

The Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras (UNAH) is the teaching, research and outreach reference institution. Its work is not only framed in academic teaching activities, its sphere of production and scientific action is universal.

Through this catalog, UNAH presents the different actions the institution does in the areas of research, culture, sport, media and outreach with the society and the world that are highlighted because they are unique in the country housed by an institution of higher education.

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ACRONYMS DIRECTORY

ACDI	Canadian International Development Agency
CATIE	Teaching and Research Tropical Agronomic Center
OEIA	International Organization of Atomic Energy
AECID	Spanish Agency of International Cooperation for Development
EEUU	United States of America
UE	European Union
OPS	Panamerican Health Organization
OMS	World Health Organization (WHO)
PESA	Food Security Special Programme
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of United Nations
OEA	Organization of American States (OAS)
BID	Inter-American Development Bank
GIZ	German Corporation for International Cooperation
COSUDE	Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation
PMA	World Food Programme
ACRA	Italian Non profit Organization
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
PNUD	United Nations Development Programme
BM	World Bank
NDI	National Democratic Institute for International Affairs
JICA	Japan International Cooperation Agency
ILC	International Land Coalition
OEI	Organization of Ibero-American States
UAI	International Astronomical Union
SIG	Geographic Information System
GNSS	Global Navigation Satellite System
LIDAR	Laser Imaging Detection and Ranging
UAV	Unmanned Aerial Vehicle



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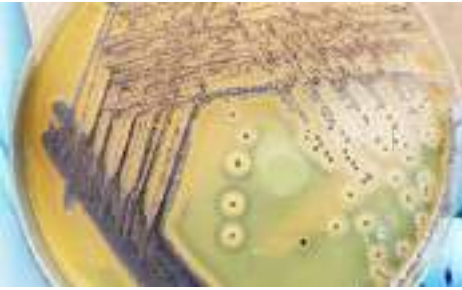




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Microbiology Research Institute has developed training and research under the Malaria program supported by the WHO/PAHO, also supporting national and international courses, consultancies and various publications.



Microbiology Research Institute (IIM)

The Microbiology Research Institute was created on February 14, 2007. Research priorities established for the Institute are:

- I. Infectious diseases research:
 1. Intestinal parasitology: Geohelminthiases (STH) and amoebiasis (molecular diagnosis)
 2. Tissue parasitology: Malaria, Leishmaniasis. (Molecular Epidemiology).
 3. Virology: Febrile illnesses; HIV/AIDS, HPV and Cancer.
 4. Other infectious agents: isolation and molecular characterization.
- II. Genetic Diversity: Genetic Research Center.
- III. Support for training of researchers: strengthening research in undergraduate and graduate level.

GENERAL PURPOSE

Build the platform to develop basic and applied research with emphasis on microbiology, prioritized in national and institutional agenda with solid methodological basis, sharing its results at national and international levels.

The IIM has had numerous publications in journals such as: Malaria Journal, Science Journal of Microbiology, Global Health in Action, Experimental Parasitology, among others from 2013 up to date. It also develops international joint research with foreign universities such as University of Buffalo in New York, Brock University in Canada and Baylor College of Medicine in Texas.





Archaeoastronomy, Cultural and Natural Heritage Institute (IARPACUNA)

The Archaeoastronomy, Cultural and Natural Heritage Institute located in Copan, was approved on a University Council session of Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Honduras (UNAH) on May 29th, 2015.

The Institute ascribed to the Spatial Sciences Faculty, originated from the conversations held between its representatives and the Copan Association, institution managed by the archeologist Ricardo Agurcia located in the western part of the country. The Department of Archaeoastronomy and Cultural Astronomy of the faculty will be in charge of IARPACUNA management, whose lines of research will be oriented in the areas of cultural astronomy and cultural and natural heritage, using cutting edge technologies such as SIG, LIDAR, UAVs, among others.

Archaeo-astronomical and ethno-astronomical multi and interdisciplinary projects will be developed, in the highest level emphasizing in cultures that inhabited the area and others that in nowadays live in the Honduran territory and that are open to regional and global research.



Legal Research Institute (IIJ)

The Legal Research Institute is an entity of the Legal Sciences Faculty whose main objective is to contribute with ideas and efforts to strengthen educational and legal release projects, guide the research, promotion and consults related to teaching-research and outreach.

Within its general roles, the highlights are the academic training of teachers, students, and law professionals, to strengthen moral, civic and ethical values for a responsible promotion of students and law professionals in searching of practical and academic solutions of the administrative and Honduran legislation issues.



Economic and Social Researches Institute (IIES)

Since 2008, due to the international, national, regional and local dynamics that the Faculty of Economic, Administrative and Accounting Sciences has printed in the framework of UNAH's educational reform and networks, the IIES is set as a link between the academy, professionals, public and private companies, the state, non-governmental organizations and society in general.

IIES pretends to reach three objectives:

- Ensure the research in the economic and administrative areas reach the entities responsible for them.
- Provide the means for institutions to convey their experiences and concerns.
- Analyze the proper functioning of the economy, institutions and markets to facilitate the creation and development in the economic and business field.

Research lines:

Competitiveness, productivity and economic growth

Economy and entrepreneurship

Education, economy and welfare

Technological change: innovation, incubation, acceleration and development

Knowledge management and intelligent techniques

IIES is running the following projects:

- Economic and entrepreneurship Observatory (OEE)
- Integrate Value System and Higher Education supply (SIVSES)
- High Performance Production for Goods and Services (PAR-HPM)
- Promotion, Innovation and Development Centers (CPID)
- Scientific Intelligent Research



The IIES has conducted joint research with the Junta of Andalusia and the Ministry of Science and Technology of Spain. It has also participated in activities receiving technical assistance under an EU-funded project.





Honduran Earth Sciences Institute (IHCIT)

In 1999 the first efforts were made towards the creation of the institute, being recognized by the authorities in 2002, through the constitution of the IHCIT by the University Council; it is on 2007, when personnel is hired and the facilities are given for the institute to begin its work.

It aims to innovate, transcend and apply the scientific-technological knowledge in professional training, with social responsibility and research capacity, to develop and apply solution proposals to earth sciences in Honduras.

Earth Sciences help us comprehend the natural practices which have helped and/or threatened the life of Honduran people, and its study is linked to the study of energy flows of nature and to the exploitation of them, as well as the prevention of environmental, seismic, meteorological and volcanic risks, among others.

For that reason, IHCIT has oriented its researches to geophysical, hydrological, hydrogeological areas, the earth as a natural resource, and meteorology seen as the science which includes climatology and climate change.

The IHCIT has developed courses and programs on issues related to climate risk management, climate change, water resources, climate justice, working with national institutions and international organizations like World Vision, Swiss-Honduran Red Cross, SMN, SPFS-FAO GWP, TROCAIRE, ActionAid, among others. On these issues, they have also developed joint projects with the OAS, IDB, GIZ, SDC, WFP, ACRA, GWP, among others.



Democracy, Peace and Security University Institute (IUDPAS)

IUDPAS is the result of the support of the United Nations Development Program and the Swedish Cooperation Agency for International Development, through the Small Weapons, Security and Justice Program and moreover to the Security, Justice and Cohesion Project, whose partner was Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Honduras. The institute was created by UNAH's Transition Committee under file n. CT-UNAH-126-2008 on February 14th, 2008, assigned to the Social Sciences Faculty.

The work of IUDPAS has permitted the fulfillment of studies and national researches in areas such as: Honduran prison system, law regime of public security, violence on information, police achievement and citizenship satisfaction, women violence; Honduran private security company operations, among others.

IUDPAS has consolidated and coordinated regional observatory networks in eight cities (Comayagua, Central District, Choluteca, Juticalpa, San Pedro Sula, Choloma, La Ceiba and Tela), operating from UNAH's regional centers, where delegates of the City Safety Committees, representatives of the Forensic Medicine Unit and Public Prosecutors Office participate.



IUDPAS has developed projects oriented to areas such as transparency, access to justice, violence reduction, peace encouragement, human rights, citizenship security, and governance. IUDPAS has been supported by AECID, USAID, UNICEF, UNDP and World Bank, among others.

Moreover, the Justice Observatory and the Conflictivity and Political Violence Observatory, have been strengthened by institutions such as AECID, NDI and USAID-OTI improving the monitoring of the justice system and the monitoring of violence cases of our country.



Social Researches Institute (IIS)

The Social Researches Institute (IIS) of the Social Sciences Faculty, responds to individual researchers, groups and research units initiatives' to develop research processes from different disciplines of social sciences assembled in the faculty.

The IIS's general objective is to promote, manage, and develop scientific research projects in social sciences according to different research areas proposed by the institute, which respond to UNAH's research priorities and to the problems and phenomena of the national reality, in order to implement inter and multidisciplinary perspectives.

IIS will respond to issues such as poverty and inequality, communication, social behavior and culture, development, economy and society, human rights, population and demographic change among others, all in correspondence to the national situation, UNAH's research priorities and study areas of the disciplines involved. (Communication sciences school, political science, psychology, history, anthropology, sociology, social work, and Latin American social work postgraduate).



Biomedical Imaging, Research and Rehabilitation Diagnostic Center (CDIBIR)

The Health Sciences Building opened on January 14th, 2014, providing services to the Honduran population, especially those patients of the University Teaching Hospital, San Felipe and other public health care institutions. Located in this building is the Biomedical Imaging Research and Rehabilitation Diagnostic Center (CDIBIR) supplied with the latest equipment (unique in Latin America), assigned to the Faculty of Medical Sciences.

One of the main objectives of CDIBIR is UNAH's outreach with society, bringing different specialized examinations to poor population through socio-economical background studies. Also within the Health Sciences Building the Nutrition, Radio-Technologists and Functional Therapy Technicians are being formed, the latter two providing in the CDIBIR the highest quality attention to patients.

Services:

- Magnetic Resonance #tesla
- CT 320 cuts
- Conventional and digital mammography
- Fluoroscope
- Ultrasound
- Diagnostic Radiology



The CDIBIR has been supported by the IAEA with the donation of the first laboratory of Dosimetry in Honduras which gives services to the population taking measurements of exposure to ionizing radiation which creates serious health damage. Also, a Japanese company collaborated with the donation of computer software.





Free Legal Clinic (CJG)

Founded by the Law Faculty in 1963, initiating the comprehensive services provision in the year 1985 with the opening of the Psychology Section, followed in the year 1998 by the creation of the Social Work Department, as a new element for addressing cases. Later in 2011, these comprehensive services were strengthened with the opening of the Conciliation and Arbitration Center, emerging as an established need to promote reconciliation as an alternate mechanism for conflict resolution, calling of peace culture, implementing psychological care to specifically assist citizens that through a conciliatory settlement, request these services. Similarly, in 2012, the LUDO center “Play, Laugh and Learn” was created with the purpose of providing specialized attention by Psychology professionals to children.

On June 6th, 2012 new facilities of the Free Legal Clinic adjacent to the Sports Complex “Jose Simon Azcona” were opened, providing comprehensive legal assistance to citizens and their families.

The CJG was created with the purpose of having students, led by law professional teachers, apply the theoretical knowledge acquired at the Law Faculty in supervised professional practice and thus extend the work to society, providing free legal advice and assistance to citizens who require these services. At the end of the training process, we integrate students into society as lawyers with high professional and human quality.

CJG provides services in the following subjects:

- Family
- Domestic Violence
- Administrative
- Penal
- Labor
- Civil
- Tenancy
- Alternative methods of dispute resolution
- Virtual Legal Consultation Booths (Online Support)
- Psychosocial (Adult and Child Psychology and Social Work)
- Legal Counsel Brigades with internal and external strategic alliances

In the framework of several projects, the CJG has been supported by different aid agencies, such as AECID, with many courses, equipment and teaching materials, the Legal Virtual Consultation Cabins in Ciudad Universitaria and the opening Conciliation Center of UNAH/VS; USAID donated equipment and the US State Department with training and equipment for the LUDO CENTER.





Latin American Social Sciences Institute (FLACSO)

In May 2015 during the 37th Superior Ordinary Council Session, the proposal of the Honduran Government as a signatory member of the General Agreement on the Latin American Social Sciences Institute was known, for the creation and development of FLACSO Honduras Project ascribed to the Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Honduras (UNAH).

FLACSO is an international organization created in 1957 as an autonomous regional space for the production of new knowledge and meeting point between the academy and public policy world, promoting research and teaching through postgraduate courses that are part of the 18 State Members of Latin America and the Caribbean. It also has a General Secretary in San Jose, Costa Rica and academic units with categories of headquarters, program and/or project in 13 of their member states.

Its goals:

- Promote and strengthen the institutional and political willingness to strengthen the social sciences in the country.
- Strengthen and support graduate studies in social sciences in Honduras.
- Promote social sciences research in the country.
- Propose and promote opportunities to transfer and discuss social sciences in the region and Honduras.





CURLA Germplasm Bank

The Germplasm Bank is an “ex situ” and “in situ” conservation area of genetic plant resources that allows us to generate knowledge about the optimal management of existing species and their adaptability to biotic and abiotic factors of the place, through research programs and technical management for a better sustainability of current resources. In the Regional University Center of the Atlantic Coast (CURLA), the Germplasm Bank was founded in June 1991 with an extension of four hectares, with the support of international organizations dedicated to conservation of genetic plant resources.

Its main objectives are: to avoid the loss of local genetic diversity and introduced through the species conservation “in situ” and “ex situ”, to alleviate the existing food shortages today and safeguard the future food supply with adapted germplasm to the soil and weather conditions of wet broadleaf forest in northern Honduras.

Currently, the Germplasm Bank has an area of 31 hectares, where more than 12,000 species are found, among them are the following:

- 46 avocado varieties
- 54 citrus varieties
- 61 mango varieties
- 180 species and varieties of nontraditional fruit
- 9 species and varieties of seasoning plants
- 30 species of timber-yielding trees broadleaf forest

The Broadleaf Forest Development Project that initiated the bank was funded by ACDI. It also had collaborations from the Montgomery Foundation, Miami National Tropical Garden, CENTA-El Salvador, CATIE-Costa Rica and the University of Puerto Rico-Mayaguez.





Land Management University Observatory (OUOT)

On July 17th, 2014 the Land Management University Observatory (OUOT) ascribed to the Planning and Land Management Master Degree (MOGT) of the Spatial Sciences Faculty (FACES) was created. It is a specialized center in charge of generating, collecting, processing, analyzing, interpreting, organizing and disseminating information about the Land Management thematic, designed to support and substantiate UNAH's scientific investigation and contribute to the rigorous knowledge from the Land Management Department. The OUOT provides support to national, regional and local territorial management, starting from social, economic, environmental and urban results as social indicators. Its vision is to be the reference institution with national recognition in providing reliable environmental, urban, social and economic information as a facilitating tool for designing and evaluating public policies related to land management in the country.

Goals:

- Analyze the evolution and characteristics of national territory and the impact policies, plans, programs, projects and actions of any kind have on that territory, as well as future trends.
- Socialize information about all sectors through comprehensive indicators to assess the state of Land Management to promote sustainable development in the territory.
- Conduct activities related with monitoring, development and evaluation of Land Management plans in the country, on national, regional, departmental, municipal and local levels.

OUOT has conducted researches and studies on issues of risk reduction and response to disasters in Choluteca City with World Vision support, and the establishment of a biological corridor in Yuscarán and surrounding municipalities with JICA support.



Women Studies

Women Studies teaching, in the construction process itself, addresses the issue of gender inwards and outwards of Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras, from teaching, research and university outreach with the society, since 1998.

In the teaching field, it is imparted in Ciudad Universitaria, UNAH Valle de Sula and the Regional Centre of the Atlantic Coast through the optional class of Women Studies. As a product of this, over 18,000 students have been formed on gender issues and in turn, sensitized the university community.

In 2012, its action was extended to 298 municipalities in Honduras through research and intervention. All municipalities in the country were subject to a quantitative diagnosis on its Municipal Women's Offices (OMM). Out of which eight municipalities were targeted and subject to qualitative research on gender and local development.

The six study cases about the OMM and its gender agendas on the municipalities of Choluteca, Siguatepeque, San Pedro Sula, Potrerillos, Marcala and Santa Rosa de Copan are excellent research products and a publication generated by UNAH Women Studies.

Among its actions, it developed the "Municipal Diagnosis on the situation and gender status of its women" with participatory action research methodology. In this diagnosis, women leaders, their organizations, municipalities and local authorities intervened, for two consecutive years (2012-2014). This unit and its experience have been considered as a good practice of woman-gender in UNAH, from a methodological point of view and their excellent results with its awareness campaigns to the university community, product research and publications, local high acceptance levels and the change of attitude in many women involved in interventions.



It has been supported by the European Union under the Equality project whose objective was to modernize management practices of Higher Education Institutions (IES) to promote gender equality in education and the labor market. AECID also financed a project that helped strengthen local capacities in two municipalities of Francisco Morazan in gender equality policies.



Academic Unit of Technological Training (DAFT)

It is a support unit of the Academic Vice-chancellory in charge of encouraging the creation, establishment, operation and promotion processes of technological bachelors to contribute to scientific and technological research in all UNAH's regional centers. DAFT manages alternative post-secondary education through the creation and promotion of technology institutes, with academic program determined by region, collaborating with the quality and relevance of Higher Education Technology nationwide, seeking to transform the Honduran society sustainable development certifying a set of professional skills that target specific occupational fields of action.

Goals:

1. Establish guidelines for the creation, evaluation and innovation of technological training academic programs.
2. Provide educational support to schools and regional centers to build agendas regarding the creation of technological education offer.
3. Create and promote bachelors in demand for national labor market.
4. Encourage the stakeholders in the regional educational networks to take actions aimed at reflecting and participating in national affairs, according to the market demands in the territories.



DAFT
DIRECCIÓN ACADÉMICA DE
FORMACIÓN TECNOLÓGICA

Demographic University Observatory (ODU)



MAIN ACTIVITIES

- Systematization of socio-demographic indicators
- Preparation of newsletters
- Service providers
- Training

PROJECTS TO BE DEVELOPED

Sociodemographic and Honduras' inequalities Atlas

In 2014, the Masters Degree of Demography and Development formally presented the establishment proposal of the Demographic University Observatory (ODU) achieving favorable rulings from the authorities, thus on December 15th, 2015 the University Council at its regular meeting issues the creation agreement of the ODU.

General objective

Encourage critical analysis and debate from observation of population dynamics, to understand the impact of demographic changes in different areas of the country and the region and its interface with the global population dynamics.

Specific objectives

- Standardize the production of sociodemographic data and statistical information from different administrative records of public and private institutions, which can both be used in the development of national scientific studies and support the timely design of social policies.
- Periodically disseminate the statistical behavior of the main variables related to the structure and population dynamics through the production of newsletters, brochures, press releases, etc.
- Establish the web site as a visibility mean to allow access to statistical data and bulletins generated in the ODU.



ODU
Observatorio Demográfico Universitario

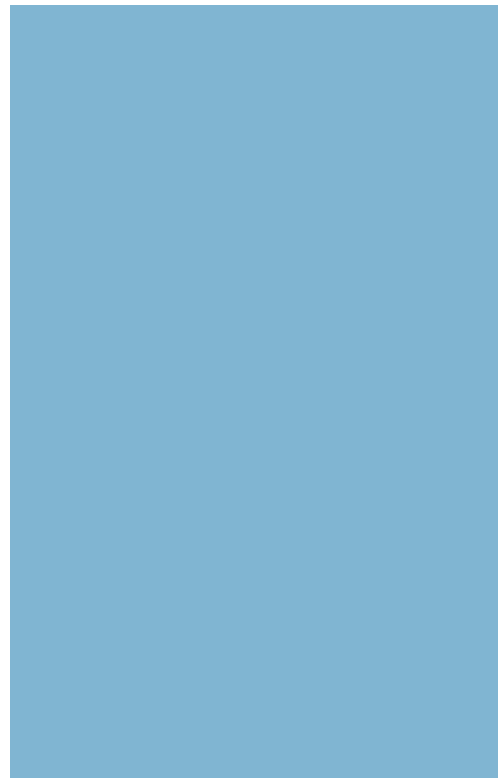


MAESTRÍA
DEMOGRAFÍA Y DESARROLLO



BOLETÍN N° 2 ESTRUCTURA Y DINÁMICA DE LA POBLACIÓN

Realidad de la Adolescencia en Honduras: la Importancia de
Inversión Social en este Grupo Poblacional, Período 2001 y 2013





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University Sports Complex (CDU)

The University Sports Complex consists of a sport center developed under the supervision of the Executive Secretariat of Infrastructure Projects Administration (SEAPI-UNAH), it was built between the years 2012-2013 in a period of 14 months. It was officially inaugurated on September 19, 2013 and it is considered the most modern sport center in Central America and one of the most modern in Latin America. It has an estimated construction area of 30,950.00 m² (6 blocks); in which sports, academic, administrative spaces and open areas are featured. It has five levels.

In the Complex the following sports are practiced:

- Athletics
- Handball
- Basketball
- Volleyball

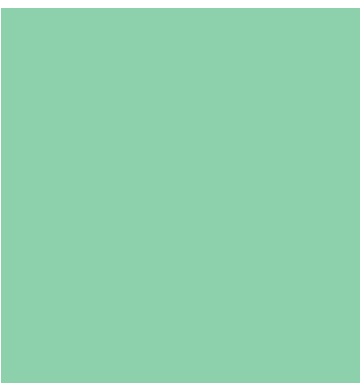
Inside the stadium and running track the following sports are practiced:

- Football
- American football
- Field Hockey
- Rugby

In 2015 the CDU receives the recognition of "Distinction for Accessibility 2015" by the International Paralympic Committee and the International Association of Sports Facilities (CPI/IACKS) in the German city of Cologne, Germany.

In the Running track:

- Marathons
- Long jump Competition
- Triple Jump Competition
- High jump Competition
- Skills jump pole
- Disk throw
- Javelin throw
- Shotput





MEDIA





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UNAH Outside The Walls

The radio program UNAH-Outside the Walls, belongs to UNAH's Outreach University - Society Department (DVUS), and is developed as part of the alliance that was established with the Radio Network for Sustainable Development (RDS), frequency 88.9 FM; the first community radio in the Central District of the country.

This strategic alliance between UNAH and RDS, allows greater opportunities for implementing projects at urban and rural level, also provides strengthening as institutions that present development proposals for Honduran society.



University Presence *Cultural Newspaper*

The newspaper, University Presence, is UNAH's cultural and political newspaper. After several years unpublished, with the university reform currently lead by the Rector Julieta Castellanos, the newspaper's concept was renewed and relaunched at the end of 2012 through its digital portal (www.presencia.unah.edu.hn).

The newspaper reports the university events, strengthening and supporting the university's reform efforts through the content dissemination which generate debate.

In the last two years the newspaper has established itself nationally, its average daily range amounts to more than 10,000 readings, thus UNAH's topics are read beyond the university's community.





Utv

UTV is a media instrument of public service working every day to fulfill the objectives it has set as the primary visual reference for the activity performed at Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras. Therefore, one of the strategic lines has been to generate quality content to bring the university activities to society sectors, with attractive themes and accessible formats.

On the other hand, UTV has placed special emphasis on building partnerships with national and international organizations, which have allowed to incorporate attractive contents that not only reflect the most relevant things of the national agenda, but also is abundant on topics of the international agenda, which also contribute to widen the broadcast window of their own program offer.

Its aim is to put to the service of Honduras an expedited media that contributes with eminently audiovisual educational programs with the economic and social development processes, looking for the educational and cultural enrichment through the participation of various faculties, university and regional centers, departments, bachelors and specialized institutes, the development of scientific research and dissemination centers through radio and television.



The UTV has been benefited from the support of the AECID, UNICEF and the EU through donations of equipment and office supplies.



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Butterfly Garden Anartia

The Butterfly Garden Anartia was created in 2006 for scientific and educational purposes given the students from elementary and high schools visit the site, receiving environmental education lectures highlighting the ecological importance that butterflies have for our planet. The Butterfly Garden is a space that has been acclimatized, reproducing conditions that butterflies find in their own environment. This place has trails for its walkthrough and has a high diversity of representative flora of Honduras, which is basic for the development and sustenance of butterflies.

This project is designed to fulfill three objectives:

1. Environmental education
2. Scientific research
3. Ex-situ butterfly conservation

Anartia Garden is currently working with the following species:

- Monarch Butterfly - *Danaus plexipus*
- Eyes Owl butterfly - *Caligo menmon*
- Zebra Butterfly - *Heliconius charitonius*
- Mosaic butterfly - *Colobura dirce*



“Cyril Hardy Nelson Sutherland” (TEFH) Herbarium

The Herbarium of the Biology Department was initiated in 1969 by Dr. Fred A. Barkley, Fulbright visiting professor, from the Northeastern University of Boston US, and Professor Cyril H. Nelson, a retired professor of UNAH's Department of Biology. It is currently registered in the Index Herbariorum book with the acronym TEFH (Tegucigalpa Honduras' flora). However, on December 8th, 2005, it was named Cyril Hardy Nelson Sutherland in honor of founder member Dr. Cyril. To date, there are over 60,000 specimens in cabinets, each one properly identified to the species level. TEFH has a valuable collection including 18 holotypes, 30 isotypes and 27 paratypes.

The herbarium has published numerous scientific articles as a result of research on the Honduras flora. In some of these articles there have been new plants published for science worldwide, as well as collaboration in floristic, ecological, pharmacological, conservation studies, among others. There is no doubt that the herbarium is a tool that helps measure the biodiversity of plants in our country.



Botanical Garden

With an area of 3.5 blocks and 300 species of plants, the Botanical Garden, located near building J1, integrates the most representative flora of the country, to be enjoyed by the community of Ciudad Universtaria campus and the population in general.

About 700 people visit the garden monthly to appreciate collections of ferns, palms, bromeliads, medicinal, endemic and aquatic plants, cacti, cycads and orchids, which serve as reference for research. There are also plenty of trees, highlighting the Guanacaste and Ceiba. In the garden 23 plant species are in danger of extinction and 3 are considered new to science.

The garden's goal is to encourage conservation and protection of native natural resources of the area, as well as national and international biodiversity. It features a guided tour of 13 stations through a main trail, the garden's technical staff estimates it takes an hour to complete the tour and there is a restricted area which contains endemic plants specimens.



Museum of Natural History (MHN)

The Museum of Natural History began in 1970 with the help of teachers and students of the first graduating class of UNAH's Bachelor's Degree in Biology. In November 1997 the museum moved to its current location (north side of the building J1) officially as "Museum of Natural History". It has a collection of species of different groups of organisms: fossils, marine invertebrates, fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. Representations of different ecosystems of Honduras, such as the tropical rain forest, tropical dry forest, mangrove forest, coral reef and a sample of the distribution of the pine species found in the country are exposed.

The Museum of Natural History is framed under UNAH's objectives, education, outreach and investigation.

Education

Formal and informal visits. The formal guided tours are oriented to schools and universities, both public and private. Admission is free for rural schools and/or economically disadvantaged schools (previously achieving the requirements). The visits are planned and concerted in advance with the MHN staff. There is also a volunteer program for students wishing to learn more about biology and participate in other educational activities of MHN.

Outreach

Mobile Museum: This project was created in response to a need to extend the museum beyond the permanent exhibition of UNAH's campus. Its purpose is to bring knowledge about the species of Honduras and their protection to parts of the country that are inaccessible to MHN facilities. On this basis the MHN has visited schools, colleges and universities in cities like El Progreso, Colinas, Danli, La Paz, Comayagua, Aguanqueterique and Trojes.

Research

The MHN publishes research regarding biodiversity in Honduras, these serve in a crosscutting way in the education and outreach process and it is the most important principle by which the MHN works.





Entomology Museum

The Entomology Museum was founded in 1985 through teachers and students efforts' of the School of Biology (AEBIH), the rector of the University and Banco Atlantida. The museum presents an important collection of the country given that its objective is to obtain the entomofauna of our country. Besides this, lectures are given to present the importance of insects in ecosystems, damages and benefits they cause, both in the aspect of human diseases and ecosystem, including different pests. The Museum of Entomology is located in Building J1, before CB building, on the first floor.

As part of the educational contribution of the Entomology Museum to the society the lectures are aimed to all audiences: pre-basic level, elementary, high school, and universities. It receives approximately 5000 people of all ages and educational levels.

Objectives

Educational:

- Show the insects' importance in ecosystems and promote their protection.
- Exemplify the diversity of insects that exist in our country.
- Raise awareness towards the protection of insects.

Scientific:

- Elaborate an inventory of Honduran entomofauna and promote and develop scientific research that helps to increase knowledge.
- Identify important species such as: new species for the world, insect ecology, behavioral and diversity studies.

From a project funded by the EU a discovery of a new species was made in La Muralla National Park, Olancho, which was called *Hylesia alejandroi*, a new species of Saturniidae (Lepidoptera) family.





The CAC has been supported by the Embassies of Mexico, United States, El Salvador and Sweden, AECID and OEI in art exhibitions, photography and paintings the Center develops.

Art and Culture Center (CAC)

In 2010, the Rector of Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras (UNAH) launched the project of creation of the Art and Culture Center (CAC) in order to promote the university-society outreach from the field of arts and culture.

The proposal for the establishment of CAC was presented in 2011 and executed the following year, opening its doors on October 15, 2012, establishing its headquarters at the old Hotel Panamericano in Comayaguela, which underwent a restoration process and rehabilitation to demonstrate its historical and anthropological value. This way, the building which in 1957 saw the achievement of university's autonomy, was reopened to be used by the community at the 55th anniversary of this historic event.

This cultural center is part of "The Essential" program of the University's Reform to promote and strengthen the link between the university and society through performance, enjoyment and research of art and culture in its different statements. Its aim is to promote transformation processes of social dynamics, recovery of public spaces and cultural activity as key elements to improve the security and life quality of the population who inhabit and make use of its surroundings.

Community services:

- Permanent exhibition of five rooms with different themes, ranging from UNAH's historical landmarks to contemporary art in Honduras.
- Temporary exhibitions
- Education through specialized workshops in art and culture
- Social projection towards improving the community through programs that encourage interaction among neighbors and improving community life
- Research program of the popular and local culture
- Rescue of collective memory
- Promotion of communication in conflict areas





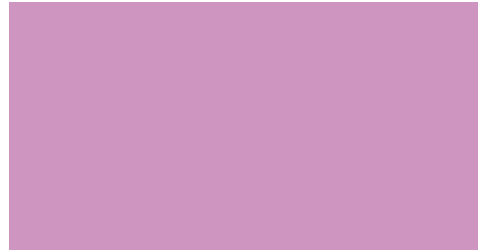
Chamber Orchestra

In 1977, under the leadership of the Rector Jorge Arturo Reina, the Art Department as well as the Chamber Orchestra at UNAH were created, directed at the time by the Chilean Jorge Bonilla Vera, integrated by only 12 musicians.

In 2010, the Rector Julieta Castellanos approved the creation of a degree in Music at the School of Art and the reopening of UNAH's Chamber Orchestra, which was led by the French flutist Yvan Bertet until 2012.

The Chamber Orchestra is now composed by 28 musicians, most of which are students and a minority is external collaboration. It consists of stringed instruments: violins, cellos, double basses and piano. Several of its members took part in special training, they were members of the Central American Youth Orchestra and three of its members participated with the Symphony Orchestra of the University of Pittsburg in Kansas City, preparing a gala concert while participating in master classes of Chamber music, history and music theory.

The repertoires of each concert usually goes from baroque, classical and contemporary music. Sometimes the Chamber Orchestra prepares sacred music repertoires, folk music and repertoires of Honduran composers.



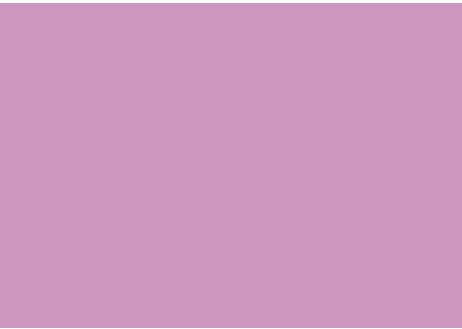
University Choir

UNAH's Choir was founded in 1974 with the main objective of cultivating music of great masters of all time, as an unobstructed way to achieve a musical culture in the choral field.

In the four decades of its existence it has been directed by musicians from Chile, Japan and Honduras.

The multiple activities of UNAH's Choir through the years have included conferences, workshops and choir festivals. Among these stand out: The V International Polyphonic Competition "Ciudad de Ibagu ", Colombia 1987, winning first place in folklore and second in classical music; the II Choral Festival in San Salvador C. A., 1988; VI Polyphonic Choir Festival "City of Ibagu ", winning third place in folk music; International Cultural Festival of Leon, Nicaragua 1996; the V International Choir Festival, Santiago de Cuba, 1999; the III Central American Choirs Festival, Guatemala 2000; Choirs Festival of Guayaquil, Ecuador 2003; International Choir Festival Arezzo, Italy 2005; Choir Festival in the city of Lloret de Mar, Costa Brava, Spain 2009 and other important events.

Among its repertoires, there are several operas assembled with the National Foundation of Honduran Music, works like J. F. Handel's "Mes as," "Gloria" from A. Vivaldi and "Moraz n Vive" with writing by Pablo Neruda. UNAH's choir has been heard throughout the world in programs with the orchestra of the Television Radio "Caracol" of Colombia and the channel "Guayas" from Ecuador.





UNAH-DANCE

UNAH-DANCE is the contemporary dance group of the Art Department. Last year the 35th anniversary of its creation was celebrated representing UNAH both nationally and internationally.

Within its group trajectory it has presented pieces of choreographic composition with a variety of themes with the aim of raising awareness and educating the public in the art movement.

UNAH-JAZZ

The UNAH-JAZZ group is an ongoing project of the Department of Arts, founded in 2009 under the direction of jazz guitar teacher, Julio Zelaya, composer, arranger and producer. Currently the UNAH-JAZZ group is led by teachers Gerson Hernandez and Roger Garcia, actively participating in presentations inside and outside Ciudad Universitaria.



Guitar Orchestra

Guitar Orchestra was founded in August 2009, under the direction of teachers Eduardo Antonio Acosta and Silvio Gerardo Henríquez. The Guitar Orchestra has participated in several festivals in and out of Ciudad Universitaria, and it has made several tours through different regional centers of UNAH and cities of the country.

Flute Quartet

UNAH's Flute Quartet was founded within the Arts Department in 2009, under the direction of Master Yvan Bertet, with UNAH's trasverse flute students.

With a varied repertoire, with extracts from famous operas to tropical rhythms, they have managed to win stages both in and out the University, as well as in national television channels.



FOUR CULTURES PLAZA

The Plaza is named like this due to the fountain clock located in its center, representing the time of the Mayans, Egyptians, Greeks and Romans.

The Plaza's Mural is the work of a group of artists from the United States, Honduras, Nicaragua, Guatemala and El Salvador as a monument to youth empowerment, social inclusion and diversity.



Traditional Dance Group

In September 1981, Mr. Jorge Armando Ferrari took the initiative to establish in the Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Honduras the first traditional dance group. Years of training, having committed and passionate dancers, dancing responsibly whenever they tread a national or international stage, have given UNAH's Traditional Dance group one privileged place in Honduras as well as outside of it.

This group's projection has increasingly extended due to their roles in national and international festivals, by the festivals that have been set up from UNAH's Art School or by the extension of its knowledge through workshops offered in elementary, high schools and university levels.



Lucem Aspicio "Theatre Group"

The Lucem Aspicio "Theatre Group" was founded within the School of Arts in the year 2000, under the direction of teacher Luisa Cruz, with university actors and actresses. Since then, the group has performed an average of one annual staging, has performed in many places and participated in numerous festivals, both within and outside UNAH; they have shared the stage with other university groups in El Salvador, Costa Rica, Guatemala and Panama.

It has already received four guest teachers: Paulo Geiger (Brazil), Tito Ochoa C., Dr. Rafael Murillo Selva, and now Edgar Valeriano, a longtime member of Bamboo Theatre Group.



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Alumni

It is a space dedicated to UNAH's community of graduates, whose purpose is to maintain a connection between the institution and its graduates, enriching the sense of belonging through the generation of spaces and mechanisms for bilateral support to strengthen and develop them.

Its goal is to maintain and establish an ongoing relationship between the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras and its graduates, creating institutional mechanisms to facilitate the connection university - alumni, keeping the identity and fostering a sense of belonging through the development of various processes that contribute the enrichment of graduates and UNAH's strengthening.

It focuses on the attention and monitoring of the graduates, offering a Job Board and job placement mechanism intended as a mean of facilitating the insertion of the graduates in the labor market and at the same time have a training program to obtain job skills, thus facilitating their entry into the labor market. This is accompanied by a virtual platform to facilitate communication with them through the use of ICT.

It offers a series of events and meetings to promote a space for discussion, analysis and academic exchanges among graduates, university students and teachers to enrich science, technology and innovation in different fields of knowledge, and in turn, generate various cultural, recreational, sports events and others to strengthen the sense of identity and belonging in the graduates through coexistent spaces.



Centre of Excellence for Education in Information Technology (CEETI)

On January 21, 2008, the Sub-secretary of Foreign Affairs Eduardo Reina and Indian Ambassador Ashok Tomar, signed a Memorandum of Understanding for the establishment of a specialized technology education center in Honduras with UNAH's Engineering Faculty collaboration, which resulted in the creation of the Centre of Excellence for Education in Information Technology (CEETI).

For this purpose, the Indian government donated:

- 55 computers
- 2 servers
- 3 network printers
- 2 scanners
- 2 projectors
- Instruction manuals for 800 students

Its goals are to increase the professional quality, expand knowledge in information technology and reduce illiteracy in ICT.

Some of the courses offered are: Java, Programming, Visual Basic .Net, SQL, Networking, C ++, Graphic Design, Financial Excel, HTML, Linux, Computer Maintenance, PHP, Solidwork, Basic Autocad, Autocad 3D, Sketchup, Revit, Project 2007, Preze Chacer, Graphic Design with Gimp, Adobe PhotoShop, PHP and MySQL 2, among others.

CEETI was supported by the Government of India in its equipment as well as in technical assistance to specialize students and teachers in information technologies for two years.





Entrepreneurs Center (CEM)

The Entrepreneurs Center (CEM) was created in 2001, in the Faculty of Economical Sciences, within the Business Administration Degree, in order to guide and encourage the entrepreneurial culture in the university community through research, development and innovation (R+D+I) and business training.

The methodology used in the initial training program in entrepreneurship is an adaptation of entrepreneurship programs of the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM) and the Universidad Autónoma de Baja California (UABC). This methodology consists of five levels according to the chain of entrepreneurship from awareness to implementation. Each level is held in the courses Business I to V, which are instituted in the curriculum of Business Administration and Marketing degrees.

Services briefcase:

- Training program in Entrepreneurship
- Open Entrepreneurship Training program
- Training program and technical assistance
- Circles of Creativity - Research - Development and Innovation

R+D+I

- Development of conferences and forums on Entrepreneurship
- Expo Business Ideas
- Permanent Attention System of Entrepreneurship

CEM also offers funding opportunities and competitions in form of partnership with organizations pro entrepreneurship for the entire student community who wish to undertake and implement their business idea.

The CEM has been supported by the OEI with the development of a workshop, an Expo fair and they provided financial support as seed capital for entrepreneurs. Also received EU support through the regional project BUILD where the training of teachers and students in new methodologies was achieved, institutional capacity strengthened, the website and over 20 activities were developed in building entrepreneurial culture.



University Teaching Hospital (HEU)

The University Teaching Hospital was a project whose bases and guidelines were conceived and established under an agreement signed on August 9, 1968 by Arturo Quezada, in his capacity as UNAH's Rector and legal representative and Antonio Peraza Casaca, in his capacity as Secretary of State in the Ministry of Health and Social Community Attention of Honduras.

The Maternity Hospital was built during the administration "Villeda Morales-Lopez Arellano" between 1958 and 1967. In November 1978 the Medical-surgical block was opened, designed to be complementary of the Maternity wing and commonly use the hospital logistic services, opening their attention to the public on March 19, 1979, thus resulting in the University Teaching Hospital complex.

The HEU offers three services to society:

1. 24-hour Emergency services in internal medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology, general surgery, orthopedics and neurosurgery. (It is the only hospital in the Central District to offer emergency care 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.)
2. Specialized outpatient services
3. Hospitalization with 49 rooms

From 2014, the HEU has been supported by: Association of Radiologists without borders with a donation of MRI equipment and its training; Cooperation of Turkey (TIKA) equipped the nursery; Doctors without borders donated portable ultrasound equipment for use in the pediatric emergency; Cooperation of Taiwan remodeled the Internal Medicine room of Medical-Surgical Block and the Department of United States provided surgical brigades for HEU patients.



The observatory had the collaboration of the United Nations and the International Astronomical Union with the donation of the largest optical telescope in Central America.

Central American Astronomical Observatory of Suyapa (OACS)

On June 17, 1997, having the VII Workshop of the United Nations and the European Space Agency on Basic Space Science as a framework, UNAH's "Central American Astronomical Observatory of Suyapa (OACS/UNAH)" was formally inaugurated. To this event, which was presided by UNAH authorities and delegates of each university of the region, approximately 80 scientists from 30 countries from all continents of the planet, as well as representatives of the Office of the United Nations Peaceful Use of Outer Space, the European Space Agency, NASA and other agencies and international scientific institutions attended.

The OACS has the largest optical telescope in Central America, a Meade LX200 16-inch (40 cm) in diameter available to the scientific, national and international community, which was named on behalf of "Rene Sagastume Castillo" in recognition of his decisive support. The OACS also has cutting edge technological equipment such as different high reach telescopes and cameras of astronomical use.





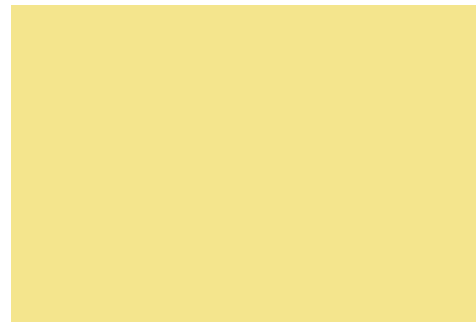
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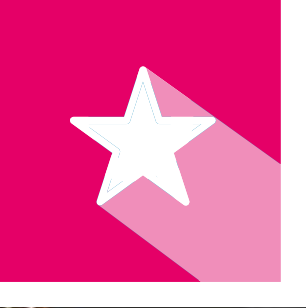
Since 2007, UNAH institutionalized through Student Affair and Orientation Vice-chancellory (VOAE) the University Volunteer Program, ascribed to the Human Development area. The target group that was selected was academic excellence students to be inserted in volunteering 20 hours a month. Since then, volunteer activities were stimulated growing in the activities in health and academic guidance tutoring in difficult subjects.

Volunteer groups have been particularly diversified to cover any voluntary actions that are part of the programming of the Student Affair and Orientation Vice-chancellory (VOAE), among them are the volunteer support in Vocational and Health Fair, sports events, support in academic excellence awards, etc. Others have permanence carrying out activities within the academic periods such as tutoring and English courses, support in the undertaking of academic aptitude test, "Voluntariarte", "Unete" and Older Adult program (volunteer social projection), Mental Health, Comprehensive Health of Women, among others.

Mission

Develop, facilitate and promote volunteer activities throughout the University community, within the framework of projects, activities and events of the institution where the proactive and supportive participation is evidenced aligned with the principles and values that UNAH proclaims.





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2016

National Science and Technology Competition

This award is granted by the National Secretariat of Science, Technology and Innovation (SENACIT) through the Honduran Institute of Science, Technology and Innovation (IHCITI).

Dr. Fernando Fajardo, a professor at the Faculty of Medical Sciences at the Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Honduras (UNAH), also laboring in the University Teaching Hospital (HEU) in the areas of Nephrology and Internal Medicine, was awarded first place in the competition in 2016.

He is recognized with this award for the development of the Venosa Extracorporeal Ultrafiltration machine.



“Roberto Castillo” Central American and Caribbean Novel Prize

This award is granted by the University Publishing Department of UNAH with the purpose of highlighting the transcendental literature of the remembered Honduran poet, novelist and philosopher who died in January 2008, where both Central American and the Caribbean writers participate.

Writer Giovanni Rodriguez, graduated from the Literature Degree of UNAH-VS, where he currently teaches Honduran, Central American and Latin American Literature.

He is recognized with this award for his novel “The days and the dead.”



2015

José Cecilio del Valle National Science Award

It is an award established by the Government of Honduras on October 11, 1967, along with the National Awards for Art and Literature. This recognition is aimed to works created in the scientific field that contribute to the development of science in the country.

It was awarded in May 2015 to the PhD. Maria Elena Bottazzi, graduated from the Degree in Microbiology and Chemistry of UNAH. She is attributed with this award after being internationally recognized in the field of microbiology, immunology and vaccinology of NTDs with impacts extending worldwide, also for the significant contributions of research in this field, including molecular genetics, biology and others.



Eduhackaton 2015

The Eduhackaton is a technological event organized by the Division of Digital Government of Honduras in order to generate prototypes of applications and software to help solve the main problems the educational sector faces.

The first place was awarded to the group of students from UNAH called Stundet Ctrl, creators of the platform to validate compliance of the 200 days of classes, #VaClases.



Innovative Women in the World Recognition

The World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) is an agency of the United Nations which serves as a global forum with regard to services, policies, cooperation and information in the field of Intellectual Property.

The recognition of one of the 9 most innovative women in the world was awarded to Ing. Yeny Carias, professor at the Faculty of Engineering of the Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Honduras (UNAH), for generating technologies to solve problems.

This acknowledgment is due to the creation of software that works as a virtual interpreter for deaf people and people with hearing problems.





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