



Universidad Tecnológica del Chocó
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Chocó: a biodiverse paradise

Is one of the 32 departments of Colombia.
Located in the west coast of the country and is
one of the most biodiverse areas of the world.

Because of its location the department is
bordered with rainforest, after the Cherranpunji
area in India, Chocó is the place with most rainfall
in the world.

Water is Chocó's major resource with more than
20 rivers (Atrato, San Juan, Baudó and other 16
rivers).

The temperature, thanks to its geography and
humidity conditions, is regularly around 27
Celsius degrees.



Chocó is one of the richest regions of the country, has a big recognition for its natural resources that had being a form of economic development for the locals.

The population cultivates plantain, rice, corn, coconut and cocoa. Also, fishing is one of the most common economic activities.

Besides timber exploitation, mining is another economic activity that had help the population sustain their everyday life, the department is well known for the metals that can be found in its territory (silver, gold, platinum).

Due to the importance of mining as an economic activity there is a lot of academic research in the department about the sustainable use of natural resources (such as timber) and the impact of large scale mining.





Chocó is big
center for eco-
tourism with
opportunity for
outdoor activities
from the ocean
and rivers to the
rainforest and
high hills.

Enjoy surfing,
ecological pathways,
paddle board, kayak,
diving, rappel. See the
turtles and experience
the sighting of whales
on Bahía Solano.





Chocó's diversity can also be found in its population:

- 77% Afro-Colombians
- 12% Indigenous
- 7% Mestizo
- 5% White



This multicultural richness of the department can be fundamental for students interested in sociologic, anthropologic and ethnic studies. The University has a center for the study of “Afro-Colombian and Indigenous Peoples Cultures”.





QUIBDÓ

Capital city of the department and main university campus.

San Pacho festivities is the most important festival in the department, celebrated in Quibdó between September 20 and October 4.

The San Pacho festivities are a display of devotion to Saint Francis Of Assisi through the showcase of the African and Spanish influence that is part of the Chocoano culture.





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About the Universidad Tecnológica del Chocó

Public University with recognition from the Ministry of Education of Colombia.

Founded in 1968

Number of students: 14,000

The main campus is in the city of Quibdó, with satellite campuses in the municipalities of Istmina, Baudó, Darien (Rio Sucio), Medio Atrato (Bete) and Bahia Solano. Offering distance learning programs.

8 Faculties: Education, Engineering, Administrative and Accounting Sciences, Arts, Social and Human Sciences, Health Sciences, Natural Sciences, Law and Political Science.

21 under-graduate programs.

8 post graduate programs (specialization y Master programs) some in cooperation with other universities.

1 PhD program in cooperation with the University of Santander, Mexico



Research Groups

59 in different areas:

- Wildlife management
- Natural resources and environmental toxicology
- Bio-systematics
- Ecology and conservation of tropical ecosystems
- Limnology
- Herpetology
- Biotechnology and plant genetics
- Territorial development



Office of International and Inter-Institutional Relations

The Office works with the rest of the University to promote international mobility, academic exchange and the work experience of students and teachers, organize events advertising international culture, bilingualism and connections between research projects with the entire world.

We have the following information and advisory services:

- International exchanges
- Opportunities to apply for scholarships
- Development of research opportunities with international partners
- English extension courses
- Existing and new MOUs and cooperation agreements



International Cooperation - MOUs



- Benedict College, USA
- Universidad de Salamanca, Spain
- Universidad de Guadalajara, México
- Universidad EART, Costa Rica
- Georgetown's University, USA
- Universidad Pinar del Río, Cuba
- Howard University, USA
- Universidad Politécnica de Valencia, Spain



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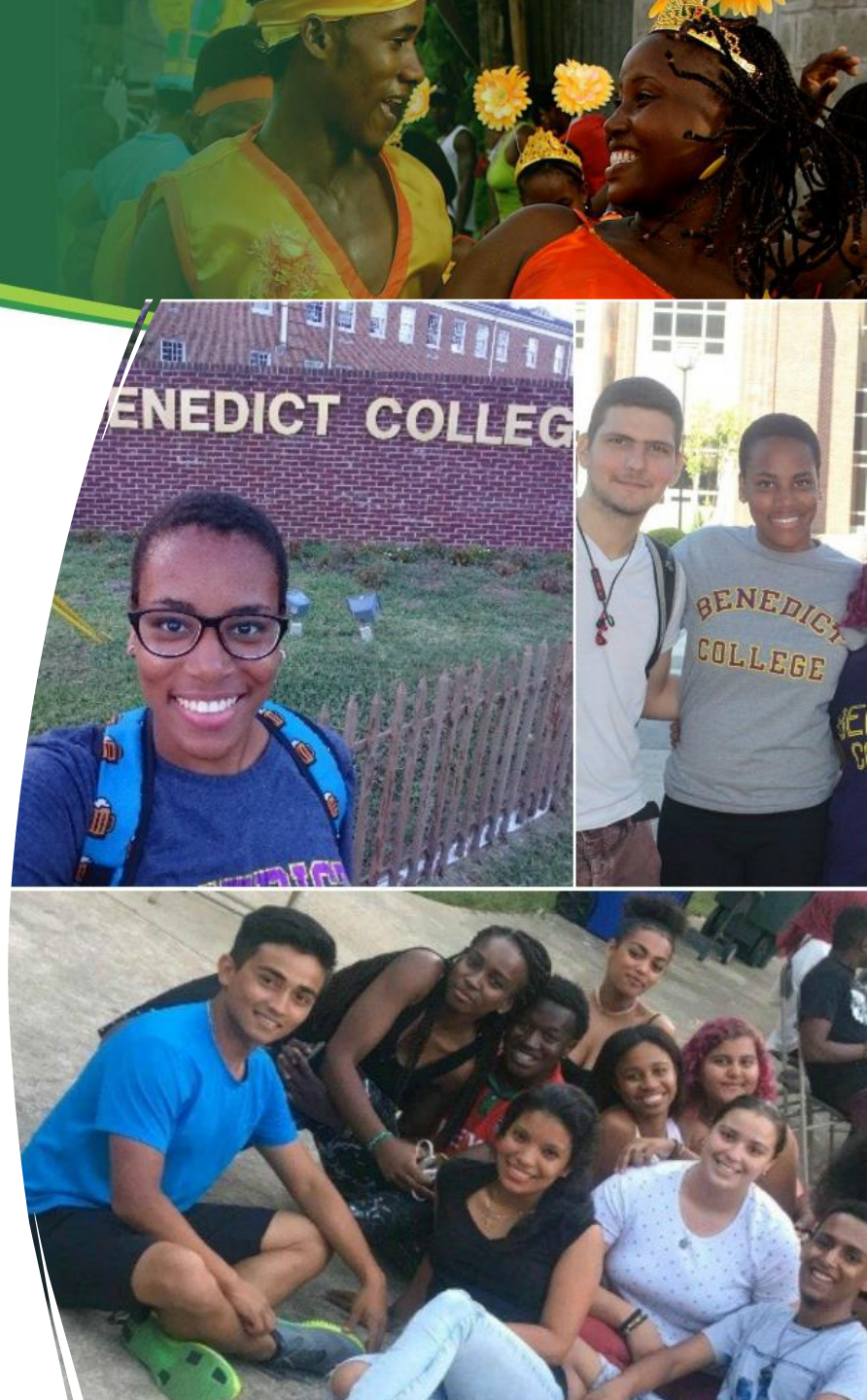
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