



Humanitarian Assistance  
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# Summer schools in Humanitarian Operations Management - SOMA

## Summer School in Rio



**December 9 to 13**



**Venue Address**

Rua Marquês de São Vicente, 225,  
Gávea – Rio de Janeiro, RJ – Brasil



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## Conference venue details

All sessions will be held at the **Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro (PUC-RIO)** in the green neighborhood Gávea, in Rio. See the Campus Tour on: [cceed.puc-rio.br/360/](http://cceed.puc-rio.br/360/)

## About Rio de Janeiro

Rio de Janeiro is a Brazilian city, capital of the state of Rio de Janeiro, located in the Southeast region of Brazil.

Rio de Janeiro climate is characterized as tropical savanna climate, experiencing long periods of heavy precipitation between December and March. The month of March marks the transition from Summer to Autumn, and travelers should expect an average temperature of 30°C.

The two main airports are: Galeão International Airport (GIG), located at Ilha do Governador, 20 km from city center; and Santos Dumont Airport (SDU), located downtown. While the former is the point of entry from abroad, the latter connects Rio to most of the other capitals.

The city has a myriad of options for cultural, leisure, and ecological tours, a rich gastronomy that covers local options and international cuisine. It is important to note that one of the "Seven Wonders of the Modern World" is located in Rio: Christ the Redeemer.

The main beaches are located in the South Zone (1-2 km from the Conference Venue): Leblon, Ipanema and Copacabana. There are also options in the West Zone that will call for a 40-50 min drive: Barra da Tijuca and Recreio dos Bandeirantes.

Lapa neighborhood is the location famous for bohemia embedded around historical buildings, with many bars, restaurants, and concert halls.

For more information about Rio de Janeiro, visit the websites:

- [Riotur.Rio](#)
- [Portal Turismo – Rio de Janeiro](#)
- ["Is Rio De Janeiro Safe To Visit?"](#) - This blog provides very useful tips for foreign tourists.

## Accommodation

See the list of [Recommended Hotels](#) (click on "Recommended Hotels").

As general guidance, we recommend to favour Hotels located at max. 3 km from PUC-Rio/Gávea, preferably Leblon, Ipanema, Lagoa and Jardim Botânico.

## Visa information

**Visas exemption** for citizens of Australia, Canada and the USA visiting Brazil postponed until April 10th.

The Organizing Team can provide an invitation letter confirming the Summer School as "Credibility and traceability of the travel purpose to Brazil. To obtain an invitation letter, please contact Hands ([hands@puc-rio.br](mailto:hands@puc-rio.br))

For more information regarding visa when traveling to Brazil, consult the [Ministry of Foreign Affairs website](#).

## Vacines

Be aware that visitors in Brazil are expected to have the yellow fever vaccine taken at least 10 days prior to arrival. For specific information please refer to your own countries' equivalent to Minister of Health and the Brazilian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.