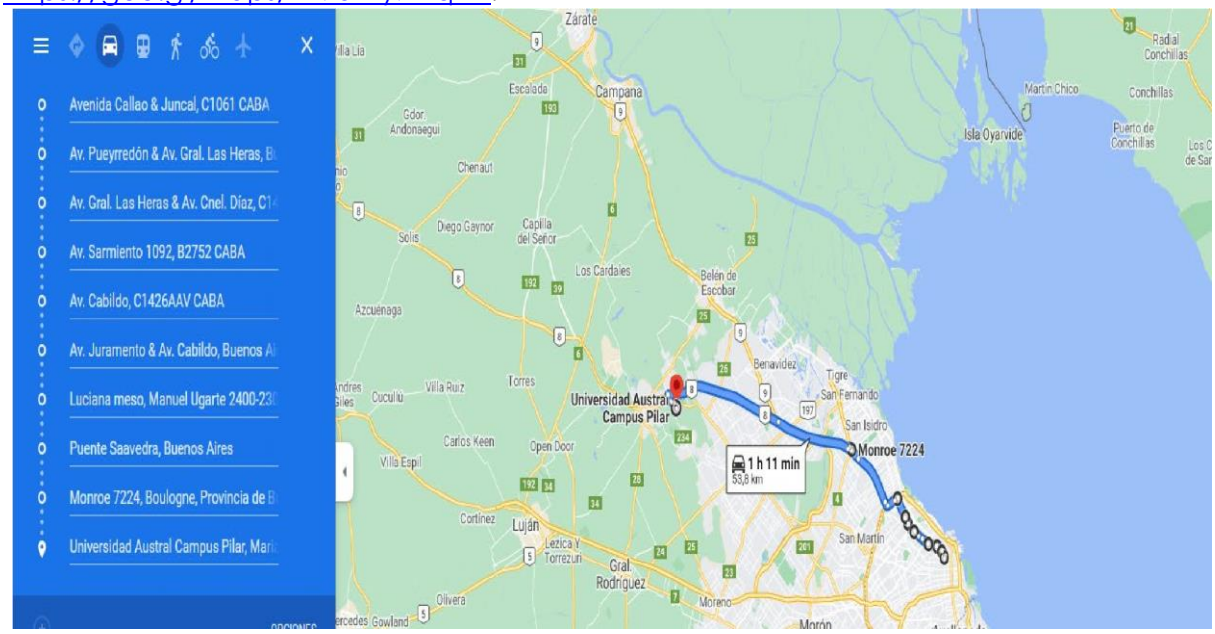
LIVING IN BUENOS AIRES, STUDYING AT AUSTRAL

Most international students studying at Universidad Austral prefer to live in the city of Buenos Aires. We recommend the "barrios"- neighbourhoods- from where you can commute more easily to our campus. Universidad Austral's main campus is in Pilar, a suburban area 1 hour North of Buenos Aires. https://goo.gl/maps/Pk9diAy7wqD2.



In the City

Palermo

Is the tourists favourite area, as it is chic and cool. it has a wide cultural offer and It is full of shops, bars, restaurants as well as huge parks. This neighbourhood never sleeps and it is easily conected by pulic transport to the rest of the city.

- Closest stop to take Austral Charter and 57 bus: **Plaza Italia**

Belgrano

This area is very crowded as many families live there. It is nice and safe and you can find everything very near. It is a bit closer to Pilar tan Palermo.

- Closest stop to take Austral Charter and 57 bus: **Av Cabildo and Juramento**

Núñez

This is a beautiful and quiet area. Full of houses and not many buildings. It could be quite dark at night but t is a safe place. It is even closer to Pilar than Palermo or Belgrano.

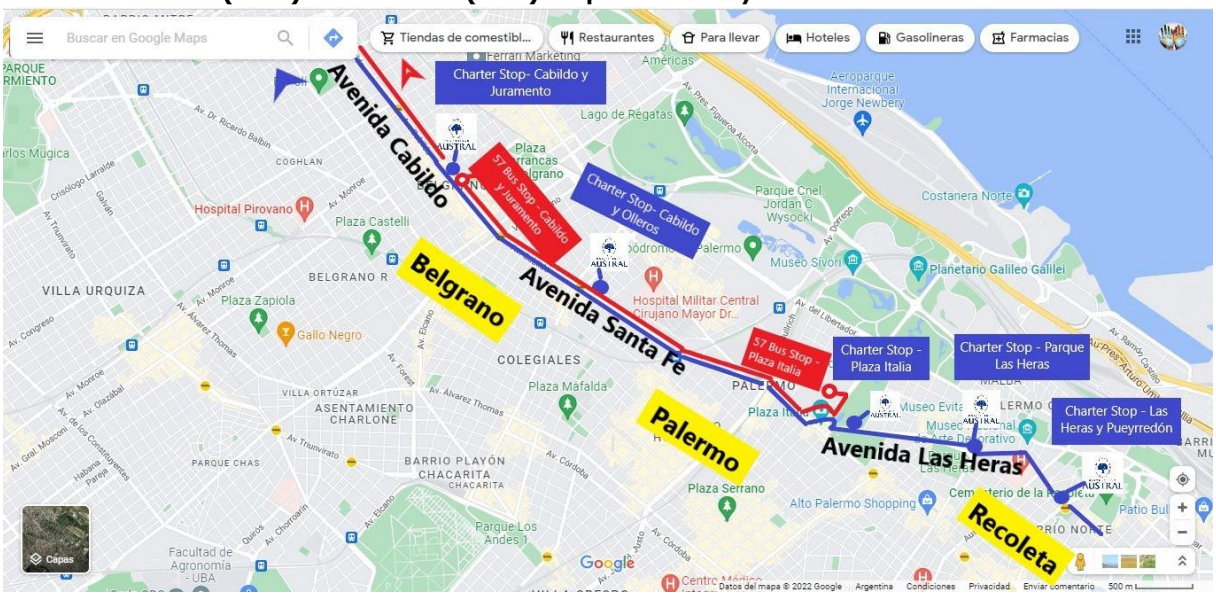
- Closest stop to take Austral Charter and 57 bus: **Av Cabildo and Gral. Paz**

If you plan to take the Austral shuttle, any point in the city near the first six stops will allow you to commute comfortably. The cost of the Austral shuttle is an average USD 5 roundtrip. You will be able to make reservations in the Austral Shuttle once you receive your @austral user email.

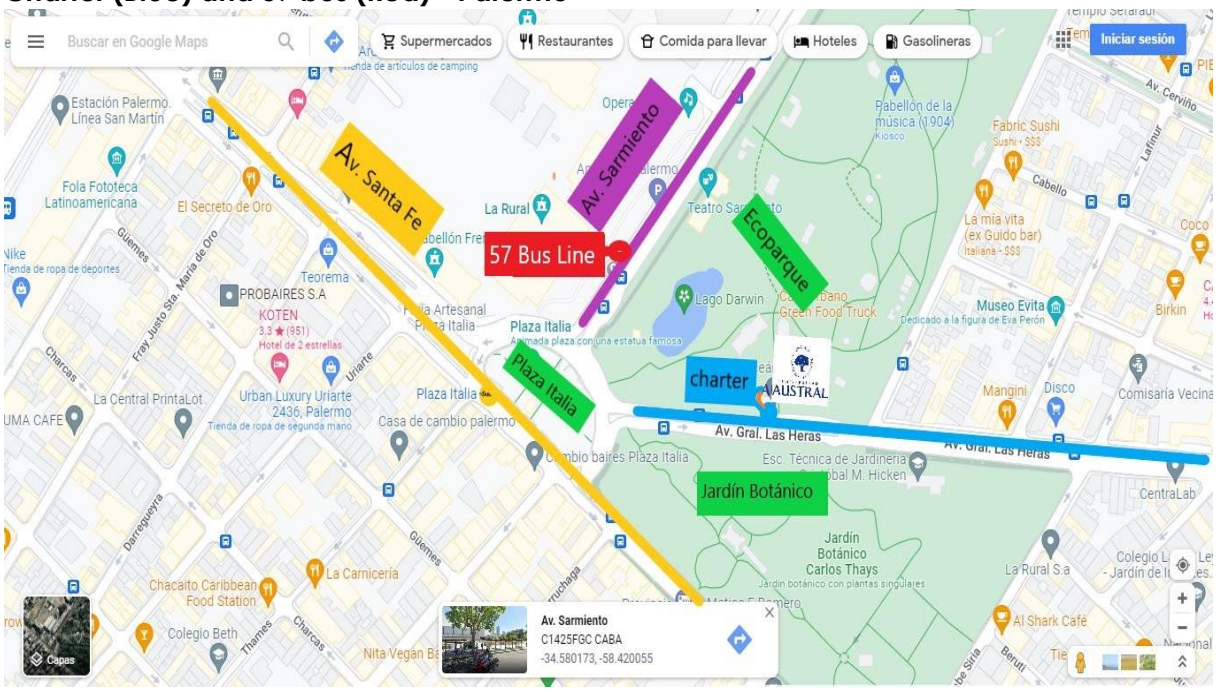
If you plan to take the 57 public bus, the recommended area is the one near Plaza Italia, where you have the most direct route out of the city. The cost of the trip is 1USD round trip. You will have a

20minute walk to the campus from the bus stop in Pilar. Below you will find a couple of maps marking the stops and the routes of both options.

Austral Charter (Blue) and 57 bus (Red) stops in the city

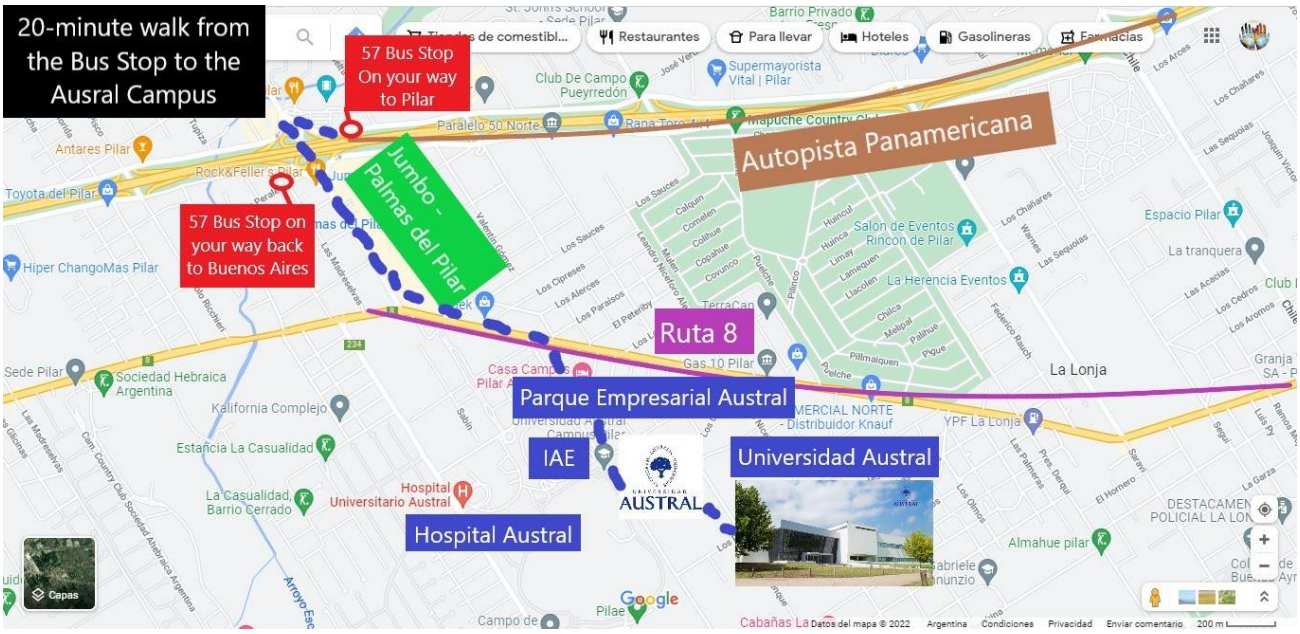


Charter (Blue) and 57 bus (Red) - Palermo



The Austral shuttle leaves you at the door of the Undergraduate Building where you will take your courses. The 57 bus leaves you at a stop 20 minutes away.

57 bus stop in Pilar



In Pilar

In case you still want to live in Pilar, you need to know this is a green area where most people use cars to move around as distances are quite long. There is not much cultural offer or social life as it is located in the countryside. It is nice, quiet and safe. You can find a bigger place with amenities like swimming pool and gym and you would be very to close to University.

Some options to find a place to live[1]

Homestays are an option for students who are looking to interact with a local family or person, to practice their Spanish more, and is the best way to immerse in the culture, build long lasting relationships and count on someone that will help you know this big city. You can come in and out any time, the house and your room is cleaned at least once a week, and you will have some meals included. There will be some rules and practices to adjust to – one way or another that is always the case when we live with other people.

- Home Abroad BA - homeabroad.ba@gmail.com

Apartment Rental

- www.BApass.com
- http://www.tobaires.com.ar

[1] U. Austral has no business relation, nor is there any profit, commission or benefit for the university in the options offered.

- http://www.deptostemporarios.com
- http://www.bairesapartments.com
- https://es.airbnb.com/
- https://www.booking.com/
- https://urbanroomie.com/
- https://www.zonaprop.com.ar/
- https://study.buenosaires.gob.ar/es/alojamientos

What to take into account when looking for a place to live

1. **LOCATION:** Make sure it is a safe area and that it will work well for your logistics (ask us if you have any doubts).

2. **CONTRACT:** Request a copy of the contract prior to your arrival, ask any doubts you have, and indicate if something important has been omitted or if there is some clause that is not reasonable. Pay special attention to:
    a The owner's rights and responsibilities, and your own as well.
    b The duration and termination clauses of the contract.
    c The deposit policies are (when and how they should be returned).
    d The currency and payment method
    e What is included in the price and what is not.
    f What you are allowed or not to do in the apartment/room (e.g. hosting a friend or family member overnight) or building (gatherings, parties, etc.).
    g The services and utilities the place has (water, electricity, gas, cable TV, internet, etc.).

3. **POLICIES:** If you choose to live in a hall of residence or to do *homestay* ask about the rules and policies. At *homestays* in particular, ask about the use of common areas (including the kitchen, laundry, etc.), if you can have your meals saved for later, etc.

4. **MAINTENANCE:** Ask how to go about in case there a problem with utilities (e.g. if internet is down): who to call, how to reach that person, etc. Ideally, there should be someone you could reach 24/7.

5. **INITIAL CONDITIONS:** Upon arrival double-check that everything is as stipulated and inform any preexisting damage, difference or missing item as soon as you notice it.