## ¿Why choose Concepción?

During the year, thousands of youths from all over the country come to study at the prestigious universities in Concepción, a city of nearly 970 thousand inhabitants. If you are looking for a quieter lifestyle that is both friendly and close, where your main means of transport will be your own feet, Concepcion is no doubt the city for you. This does not mean that Concepción has none of the activities of a big city since it is the industrial, cultural and economic capital of the south of Chile. After Santiago, it is one of the most important cities in the country, both because of its economic development as well as its demographic growth.

Concepción is also known for its intense artistic and cultural environment. There is easy access to all the comforts of a city in constant development. Its most interesting attractions are in the university sector, which has become a symbol of this city as Concepción is known for being the university capital of the south of the country.

There is also Ecuador Park, near that same sector, that offers a lookout over the entire city. Another spot is Jorge Alessandri Park, on the road to Coronel, where you can take guided walks, in adition to many recreational activities for all ages.

The city is surrounded by beautiful landscape and there are unforgettable tourist paths for those whovisit it.

Just one hour from the city lie the Chillan Hot Springs, where you can ski, practice adventure sports and enjoy the incredible mountain landscape. You can also tour the entire seaboard of the Province of Arauco, particularly the beaches of Laraquete, Llico and Quidico, where the wind is good for surfing year-round. Other nice beaches are Dichato, Lenga and Pingueral.



The climate in Concepción is also a Mediterranean temperate climate influenced by the ocean. Autumn and winter are very rainy and temperatures range on average from a low of 4°C to a high of 14°C (39°F and 57°F). In spring and summer, there is little rain and temperatures fluctuate from a low of 10°C to a high of 26°C (50°F and 78°F).

