Ribeirão Preto is a city in the northeastern region of the state of São Paulo, Brazil. Nicknamed Brazilian California, because of its wealth, agribusiness and high-tech economy, and year-round sunny weather, Ribeirão Preto is a city of immigrants (in large part Italian) known for its coffee and sugar cane farms, basketball, outstanding theater venues, and, of course, its university.

The University of São Paulo Ribeirão Preto (USP-RP) is a modern campus of 10,000 students located two miles from the city center. This exchange program grew out of collaborations between UNH’s and USP-RP’s Departments of Music. You will immerse yourself in the study of all aspects of music, with lots of small group interaction with professors and Brazilian students, and participation in extracurricular activities, including Filarmônica, Jazz Band, Grupuri (Percussion group), and several choirs.

USP also offers an excellent multisport complex and many cultural activities and field excursions to help you delve into Brazilian culture, including the International Conference of Music and Teatro Pedro II (Ribeirão Preto's opera house), which offers student discounts. For more information on University of São Paulo Ribeirão Preto, visit www5.usp.br/en

"My semester in Brazil was certainly one of the greatest experiences during my time at UNH. It had a profound impact on how I see the world as well as myself. I grew as a musician both technically and mentally. The chance to learn a new language through constant exposure was such a unique experience it developed my memory, non-verbal communication skills, attention span, and listening skills in a way I never thought possible." —Ethan Brown
Music Education, ’14
**Academics:** This is an ideal exchange for independent students wanting to travel abroad and continue work on their music major. Recommended courses for beginner Brazilian Portuguese-speaking students are: Keyboarding, Ear Training, Music Theory, Voice/Guitar/Piano/Percussion Studio, Pedagogy of Voice/Guitar/Piano/Percussion, and Music in Scene. Additionally, students will take a language and culture class, offered at all levels.

**Housing and Meals:** Affordable apartments near campus are available to students; USP’s International Office assists in this process and helps students get in touch with potential roommates. Sharing with other students adds to the immersion experience. Homestays are also available. There are several self-service restaurants on campus, which are inexpensive and offer vegetarian options.

**Extra-Curricular Activities:** USP-RP has a multisport complex that comprises a gym, sports courts (indoor and outdoor), tennis courts, semi-Olympic pool, official athletics track, soccer fields, ecological hiking trail and rooms for judo, weightlifting, gymnastics and aerobics. On weekends, students exercise in lovely Curupira Park (and relax with fresh coconut water) and at local restaurants and cafes before going dancing (and learning to samba!). They also attend festivals, concerts and other live performances in the city, and sometimes escape to shopping centers or the movies to venture away from the heat.

**Tuition, Fees and Financial Aid:** UNH students pay their normal tuition and some fees, which is often the most affordable way to study abroad. UNH currently allows federal, state and institutional aid except work study to transfer for all UNH Study Abroad programs. Because each student’s financial aid package is unique, you will need to work with the UNH Financial Aid Office to learn how your financial aid will apply.

**Travel and Insurance:** Students purchase their flight independently. Visit the study abroad section of the CIE website for information about the UNH Insurance and Travel Assistance Program.

**Eligibility:** Students need to meet UNH study away eligibility requirements. Visit the study abroad section of the CIE website for details.

**Application Deadlines:** October 1 for spring semester and March 15 for academic year and fall semester.

**What next?** To find out more details about this exchange program, attend a Study Abroad Information Session. Applications are available from Catherine D’Auteuil, the Coordinator of Student Programs.