Guanajuato is located 230 miles northwest of Mexico City. It is the capital of the state of Guanajuato and one of the most important historical and cultural colonial cities of Mexico. Many consider Guanajuato to be the most beautiful colonial city in the Americas. Not only does the Universidad de Guanajuato offer an excellent academic component to the program, through the experienced and professional faculty and staff, but during the summer the city also provides visitors with a wide variety of events, including first-class museums, theaters, art exhibits, an international film festival, and the traditional Estudiantinas (the pied-pipers of Guanajuato) which guide visitors through alleyways while singing traditional Mexican songs. And unlike other major Mexican cities, Guanajuato features an unusual geography that includes unique alleyways, underground tunnels, colorful colonial houses that blanket the hills of the city, many intimate plazas, and an attractive central square, El Jardín de la Unión.

Benefits of this program:

- Study Spanish at the Universidad de Guanajuato while earning 6 to 9 IU credits for 2 or 3 courses!
- Improve your speaking skills and learn about the Mexican culture while living with a Mexican family
- Take courses on literature, Mexican Art and Culture, Film, Mexican History, Hispanic Linguistics, etc.
- Participate in excursions to different parts of Mexico.
- You may apply if you have completed two 300-level Spanish courses (including one literature or linguistics course) before the program starts (by June 11, 2011)
- Additional information on the Guanajuato Program, is available at the IU link above:
  - Financial Aid and Scholarships
  - Application procedures
  - Estimated costs for 2011

- To learn how the courses that you take through the Guanajuato program fulfill course requirements for a major or minor in Spanish, IUB students should contact Sioux Hill (suahill@indiana.edu) (IUB, Dept. of Spanish & Portuguese), Michael Rini (mrini@indiana.edu) (IUB Office of Study Abroad), or your IU campus advisor.
- The Guanajuato Program is administered by Committee on Institutional Cooperation (CIC) program through the University of Iowa. 
  http://international.uiowa.edu/study-abroad/programs/crsprgdetail.asp?c=20111&cID=251&cID=88&c=ProgramHome&Crumb=123

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