Tec de Monterrey (ITESM)  
Mexico  
www.studyinmexico.com.mx

Facts
- Language of instruction: English & Spanish
- Number of students enrolled: approx 67,000
- Number of campuses: 31 across Mexico
- Academic year: August – May
- Autumn Semester Equivalent: August – December
- Spring Semester Equivalent: January – May
- Tec de Monterrey is the first business school in Latin America to win the “Triple Crown”, the three most important accreditations in the world for business schools and programs: AACSB (USA), EQUIS (Europe); and AMBA (United Kingdom).

Location and Language
The University of Nottingham has links with the following campuses at Tec de Monterrey:
- Mexico State, 1 hr from downtown Mexico City
- Mexico City, capital and largest city in the country
- Monterrey, the flagship campus, located in the north-east
- Guadalajara, second largest city, located in the west
- Querétaro, smaller state in central Mexico
- Toluca, the Mexico state capital, 63km southwest of Mexico City
- Puebla, smaller state located east-central
- San Luis, larger state located north-central

In the past Nottingham students have attended the first four campuses on the list.

The official language of Mexico is Spanish but a wide range of modules at Tec are taught in English and Spanish language classes are offered to exchange students as standard. It’s possible to study abroad at Tec if you are not a Spanish speaker. However you are encouraged to learn some basic Spanish prior to departure.

Travel opportunities
Mexico is a well known tourist destination, offering the fabulous beach destinations of Acapulco and Cancun. According to the Lonely Planet “Mexico is packed with history and culture” including 26 UNESCO World Heritage Sites, such as the remains of the Mayan and Aztec civilisations, and the floating gardens of Xochimilco in Mexico City. For fans of the OC, Tijuana is within travelling distance.

Travelling around the country is straightforward due to “comfortable buses that run almost anywhere and an extensive domestic flight network”. Mexico is also within flying distance of the USA and the Caribbean.

Things to do
Weekend trips to the beach are a cheap and popular way to spend time with friends. Tec offers a fantastic array of cultural activities available for free. Learn salsa in the sun or perfect your Mexican cooking skills. The weather gives you the opportunity to enjoy the outdoor life, from hiking to snorkelling.

Climate
Mexico has a semi-arid climate. It’s warm from spring to autumn with hot summers; temperatures reaching 42°C. Winters are short and mild. Rainfall is scarce, but more prominent during May through September.

Finance 2017/18
Bursaries available
- Santander Scholarships for Latin America exchanges: 20 scholarships of £1000 each for students who will be studying for 3-12 months in Mexico. If you are selected to study abroad at Tec de Monterrey, you will be sent further details of the Santander scheme and how to apply for it.
- International Office Travel Bursary (means-tested): £750 dependant on household income for students beginning their studies in 2016. Students who started their studies before 2016 should see the finance webpage, as the award criteria differs (available to students classed as Home Students for fees purposes and accepted to study abroad as part of the University-wide exchange programme)

Approximate living costs per semester:

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<td>Return flight from UK (av. 6 hours)</td>
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Approximate living costs compiled from student surveys and partner university website.

The basic cost of living in Mexico, including local and national public transportation, is much lower than that of the UK.

Accommodation
Accommodation options will vary according to campus but all campuses will offer the following three options:
- Residence Hall
- Private rented accommodation
- Host family programme

More specific information is provided on each campus website. Residence halls typically provide 24 hour security. A full orientation and welcome is typically offered to exchange students on arrival.
If you wish to live off campus, available rooms are listed through http://www.rentaplace.mx

Further information
http://www.itesm.mx/wps/wcm/connect/sim/study+in+mexico/homepage/

Application success rate
2015/16 = 50%
2016/17 = 45%
(percentage of students placed out of total applications to this partner)