ABSTRACT

In order to comply with its stated educational goals, the *Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile* has modified its general education program. The current program requires 80 credits, divided as follows: 20 credits in the area of Theology, Anthropology and Ethics, with the remaining 60 credits assigned to regular courses in the different programs and licentiate-track courses followed by the students depending on the syllabus they have chosen. In addition, students are required to comply with some linguistic skills in Spanish and English.

The underlying idea in this new program, is to allow the students to have an extended learning experience, to have them develop permanent skills in communication, to make them competent in team work.

Furthermore, the development plan proposed by the *Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile* involves a series of actions intended to strengthen the implicit curriculum. All of these are factors that make studying easier for students and help them to develop independent learning skills and a sense of solidarity.