

INSTITUTIONAL DETAILS

Name Universitat Pompeu Fabra (UPF)

City, Country Barcelona, Spain

Website http://www.upf.edu

About the university (2014-2015 data)

UPF is a modern, high-quality public university that was founded in **1990**. It focuses on the knowledge areas of the social sciences and humanities, communication and information technologies, and health and life sciences. It has **12,000** enrolled students in **22** undergraduate studies, **28** Masters (EHEA) and **9** PhD programmes. UPF welcomes more than **1,500** international mobility students per year, and **30%** of their undergraduate students have done an exchange abroad.

UPF ranks in the Times Higher Education ranking 2014 as the **1**st Spanish university (**165**th worldwide and **75**th in Europe) and **13**th

highest ranked (worldwide) among those under 50 years of age.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS SERVICE

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This office assists students attending:

- Faculty of Economic and Business Sciences
- Faculty of Humanities
- Faculty of Law
- Faculty of Political and Social Sciences
- <u>Faculty of Health and Life Sciences</u> (located at Mar Campus)

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This office assists students attending:

- Faculty of Communication
- Faculty of Translation and Interpretation
- Polytechnic School

Office hours:

Mondays to Fridays: 10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.

Mondays to Thursdays: 4.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m. (Ciutadella Campus office



only)



ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Academic calendar

It is divided in three terms:

- September December
- January March
- April June

Each term consists of 10 weeks of classes and 2 weeks for the exams. **Orientation days** are planned to welcome exchange students at the beginning of each term. Attendance to these sessions is compulsory.

Course offer for Bachelor, Master and PhD students http://www.upf.edu/incoming/exchange/undergraduate.html

www.upf.edu/mastersdegrees www.upf.edu/doctorate

Credit system

ECTS.

European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) credits are a standard means for comparing the volume of learning based on the defined learning outcomes and their associated workload for higher education across the European Union and other collaborating European countries. For successfully completed studies, ECTS credits are awarded. One academic year corresponds to 60 ECTS credits that are normally equivalent to 1500–1800 hours of total workload, irrespective of standard or qualification type.

http://ec.europa.eu/education/resources/european-credit-transfer-

accumulation-system en

Usual work load

60 ECTS per year - 20 ECTS per term

Grading system

The Spanish grading system is based on a scale from 0 to 10, where 5 is the minimum passing mark

UPF grading system		ECTS grading system (approx. equivalence)	
Excellent * (Excel·lent / Sobresaliente)	9 -10	А	
Good (Notable / Notable)	7 -8.99	В	
Pass (Aprovat / Aprobado)	5 -6.99	C, D and E	
Fail (Suspens / Suspendido)	0-4.99	FX and F	
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^{*}The top 5% of the class can get a **Honours mark** (Matrícula d'Honor / Matrícula de Honor)

Deadlines for registration

Students coming to UPF for:

First term: 30th May | Second and/or third term: 30th October

Enrolment

Students are requested to enrol on-line prior to arrival, on a first-come first-served basis. UPF recommends a maximum of 20 ECTS per term. Courses from other faculties are very much restricted and upon

availability.

Language of teaching

Courses are taught in English, Spanish or Catalan.

Recommended language skills

At least a MCER B1 level of Spanish or a B2 level of English.



Language learning

Exchange students can enrol in Spanish and Catalan courses at the Languages UPF programme (www.upf.edu/pei/). There are specific courses targeting UPF exchange students at a reduced price.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Visa Non EU students will have to apply for a student visa. Please note that a tourist visa

is not enough to stay in Spain for over three months. More information:

http://www.upf.edu/barcelona/en/requisits/index.html

Housing The Mobility and Reception Office does not provide accommodation service

directly. However, UPF is a member of the BCU, a public service that assists international students coming to Barcelona. It manages the <u>Resa Housing Service</u> with a wide range of flats and rooms to rent and information about student residence halls. Moreover, UPF is member of <u>Housing Anywhere</u>, a housing

platform where exchange students coming to UPF can sublet the room in their country of origin and can find a room to rent in Barcelona.

Finally, UPF has direct agreements with some residence halls:

http://www.upf.edu/barcelona/en/allotjament/

Cost of living Students should plan the following monthly expenses (approximate):

Item	Room in a shared flat	Room in a student residence hall
Housing	350-500 €	500-800 €
Food	200 €	200€
Transport	50 €	50 €
Other expenses	200€	200 €
Total	800-950 €	950-1,250 €

Students with disabilities

Information about facilities to welcome students with disabilities available on individual request depending on special needs. Please contact

oma.incoming@upf.edu during the nomination process detailing which disabilities and needs should be covered. Final acceptance will be done on a case by case basis.

Integration activities

The <u>Language Volunteering</u> at UPF organizes leisure and cultural activities for exchange students and offers a language tandem programme, so an international student can meet a local student and an exchange conversation in each other's language.