

UNIVERSITAT AUTÒNOMA DE BARCELONA (UAB)

2020/21 - Fact Sheet

UAB EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AREA

Mailing Address for Exchange Programmes

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Àrea de Relacions Internacionals
UAB Exchange Programme
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Partners and students contact

internacional.propi@uab.cat

+34 93 586 8499

Agreements

internacional.pr@uab.cat

+34 93 581 4252

Web addresses

UAB website <http://www.uab.cat>

[UAB Exchange Programme](#)

[Social Networks](#)

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2020/21 (Tentative)

First Term (Fall semester)

From September 7, 2020 to February 5, 2021

Second Term (Spring semester)

From February 8, 2021 to July 2, 2021

Holiday Breaks:

Christmas: from December 23, 2020 to January 6, 2021 (both included)

Easter: March 29 to April 5, 2021 (both included)

You can refer to the 2019/20 calendar [here](#)

Welcome Week:

[International Welcome Days](#) usually take place a few days before the beginning of each term (September and February).

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1) NOMINATION:

Partner universities must fill in the Nomination Form (attached) and send it to internacional.propi@uab.cat within the nomination period.

Incomplete nominations will be returned to partners until all the information is received.

Please note that the maximum number of students accepted is established in the agreement.

Nomination deadlines:

1st of 15th of May: for starting in September (Fall semester or Full academic year)

1st of November: for starting in February (Spring semester)

2) APPLICATION:

Students must register and complete an online application at <http://sia.uab.cat/> (English), **Students, Mobility and Exchange**, [Incoming students - Signing up and application form](#)

Application periods:

1st of March- 15th of 31st of May: for starting in September (Fall semester or Full academic year)

1st of October - 15th of November: for starting in February (Spring semester)

*Students wishing to come to the Faculty of Medicine **MUST ALWAYS** apply within the first period.

Applications without the previous nomination from the home university will not be considered.

Once we have checked that the applications match the nomination data sent by our partner universities, students will receive an e-mail with an Acceptance Letter and pre-arrival information. This acceptance Letter **does not guarantee** the approval of the subsequent Learning Agreement.

GENERAL PROCEDURE AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Students will be contacted by the [Exchange Office](#) of their host faculty/school at the UAB with information about course selection, language requirements, reception of the Learning Agreement, etc.

APPLICATIONS TO MEDICINE STUDIES:

Medicine students should send their Learning Agreements to intercanvis.medicina@uab.cat before the **30th of June** for pre-approval. Receipt of the Learning Agreement is essential in this case, otherwise UAB will not be able to confirm acceptance.

APPLICATIONS TO DESIGN STUDIES (EINA and MASSANA):

All students wishing to apply to **Eina School of Design and Art** or **Massana School of Art and Design** should complete an additional application. This application, as well as the required documents, should be sent directly to the School. UAB will not accept students without prior approval from the School.

Contact: internacional@eina.cat

[Eina, Escola de Disseny i Art](#)

Contact: internacional@escolamassana.cat

[Escola Massana, Centre Municipal d'Art i Disseny](#)

Please note that other affiliated schools can also have their own or additional application procedures.

COURSE INFORMATION

The acceptance letter **does not guarantee** the students can take all the courses they would like to. The Exchange Office at each faculty will contact the accepted students regarding the availability and selection of the courses.

According to the UAB Exchange policy, students must enrol at least a **50% of their credits** at their host faculty (the one appearing in their acceptance letter). In case they are interested in taking courses from other UAB faculties/ schools, they will need the authorisation from all the faculties/ schools.

General information about courses is available at the web page of each faculty: [Teaching Centres](#). For further details, please contact the [Exchange Offices](#).

Students at a master's level can take **master's courses** only if the agreement with their home university allows to do so. Moreover, the **master's coordinator** at UAB must ALWAYS give the final **approval**. To ask for this approval, the student should contact the [Exchange Office](#) indicating the courses he/she would like to enrol.

Also, please note that some faculties **DO NOT ACCEPT** students who intend to prepare their **final thesis project** at UAB or to do some research for it. Please check all the academic issues with our [Exchange Offices](#).

LANGUAGES OF INSTRUCTION

Lectures at the UAB are mainly taught either in Catalan or in Spanish. The usage of either language depends only on the lecturer who gives the course. There are some lessons offered in English as well.

For a general approach to the Bachelor's degrees courses delivered in English you can go [here](#).

There are also a few degrees fully taught in English, but the courses corresponding to these degrees have limited seats for exchange students.

Obviously, there are other lectures taught in English for the degrees of English Studies and Translation and Interpreting, but again these courses are preferably offered to the exchange students of these specific degrees.

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

Classes at the UAB are given in **Catalan, Spanish and English**. As a general rule, it is recommended that students have a minimum language level of **B1.2** according to the Common European Framework of Reference.

Some faculties at UAB require a specific level of language that must be proved by a valid certificate.

To get access to the courses offered at the **Faculty of Economics and Business** or at the **Faculty of Political Science and Sociology** a minimum level of **B2** (CEFR) will be required for the language of instruction of the courses selected by the student (English, Spanish or Catalan). No language certificate will be required if the student have not selected any course in that language. You can check a list of valid certificates for the Faculty of Economics and Business [here](#).

The **Faculty of Communication** requires a **B2** level of **Spanish** to be accepted as an exchange student. Students holding a Spanish certificate issued by the Instituto Cervantes (DELE B2) will be accepted. Other certificates will be checked and evaluated on a case by case basis.

CATALAN AND SPANISH LANGUAGE COURSES

Exchange students coming to the UAB have the right to register to 2 free initial courses in Catalan language (15 hours each) and then to continue learning this language with a subsidized offer. Exchange students can also attend subsidized lessons of Spanish*

**Exchange students accepted at the affiliated schools cannot benefit from these advantages.*

Language Service: [Spanish language courses](#)
[Catalan language courses](#)

The prices of the language courses can be checked on the tab [Prices](#).

Free on-line Catalan language courses: [parla.CAT](#)
[Intercat](#)

UAB Language Exchange: [Tandem Programme](#)

REGISTRATION OFFICE AND VISA PROCEDURES INFORMATION

Upon arrival at the UAB, incoming exchange students must visit the **International Support Service (ISS)** at the Plaça Cívica for registration and getting support with legal procedures.

[International Support Service](#)
+34 93 581 2210
international.support@uab.cat

ACCOMMODATION

UAB will guide exchange students in finding accommodation on campus or off campus. Students must contact directly the different services for reservation.

Students wishing to book a room on campus should contact **Vila Universitària** (UAB Residence Hall). They also offer other off campus accommodation options (shared apartments or host families).

Vila Universitària
+34 93 580 3095
internacional@vilauniversitaria.com
<https://vilauniversitaria.uab.cat/en/>

For accommodation in Barcelona city:

Barcelona Centre Universitari
Barcelona Housing Service for Students
+34 93 238 9072
info@resahousing.com
<http://bcu.cat/en/>

It is possible to arrange a pick-up service from El Prat airport to Barcelona city or to the UAB Residence Hall. A pick-up from Barcelona Sants Train Station is possible too. To receive a price estimate or to make a reservation, please contact Vila Universitària.

COST OF LIVING (monthly)

Accommodation:	250-500€
Food:	250-350€
Transport:	60-80€
Personal and leisure expenses:	160-220€

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

In case incoming students/staff are in the event of an emergency and need some help, they can contact the following telephone: +34 93 581 4121, or e-mail address helpdesk.international@uab.cat

OTHER SERVICES AT THE UAB CAMPUS

Community Involvement	Dinamització Comunitària info.participacio@uab.cat
Volunteering, social action and cooperation	Fundació Autònoma Solidària (FAS) fas@uab.cat
Support for students with special needs	fas.piune@uab.cat +34 93 581 26 97
Cultural activities	Cultura en viu cultural.enviu@uab.cat
Health Service	Servei Assistencial de Salut +34 93 581 1800 servei.salut@uab.cat
Sports Centre	Servei d'Activitat Física (SAF) saf.usuaris@uab.cat

You are welcome to share all this information with your students.

More information on the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona can be found in our [Handbook for International Students](#).