

INFORMATION FOR INCOMING STUDENTS

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OFFICE ACADEMIC YEAR 2025 2026





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10 REASONS TO STUDY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GRANADA

1	A HIGH-RANKING UNIVERSITY Recognised for its quality in the fields of teaching, research, culture and services, the UGR is among the top universities in Spain according to international evaluation rankings.	
2	A TRULY INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE The UGR is a welcoming cosmopolitan university: around 10% of our students are international. The UGR is also the most popular study destination among European exchange students (Erasmus+). Moreover, thanks to our 800+ exchange agreements with universities across the globe, we provide excellent international mobility opportunities.	
3	A WIDE RANGE OF PROGRAMMES AND DEGREES The UGR offers high-quality academic programmes with a clear international vocation, including over 90 undergraduate degrees, 160 official master's degrees (19 of which are international double degrees) and 28 doctoral programmes. We also run short courses, virtual courses, lifelong learning courses, and summer schools.	
4	LANGUAGE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES Students can learn Spanish and other languages alongside the local students and the 10,000 international students who enrol each year in courses offered by the UGR's Modern Languages Centre (CLM), Confucius Institute (Chinese) and the Centre of Slavic Cultures.	
5	TOP FACILITIES AND SERVICES The UGR provides top-quality services that cover all aspects of university life (Wi-Fi, accommodation, libraries, canteens, cultutal activities, care for people with special needs, sports, etc.).	





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6	AN IDEAL UNIVERSITY CITY The UGR merges with the city, its schools and campuses distributed throughout Granada, giving the city a lively student atmosphere (56,000 students among an urban population of 230,000). The city of Granada, is safe and modern. It has a privileged geography, located halfway between the sea and the mountains: 40 minutes from the Mediterranean coast with its tropical climate and 30 minutes from the Sierra Nevada ski resort.	
7	WORLD-CLASS RESEARCH The UGR is internationally renowned for its excellence in diverse research fields, including Computer Engineering and Telecommunications, Health Sciences, Cultural Heritage, Linguistics, Psychology and Sports Sciences, among others. Our 581 research groups encompass all areas of scientific knowledge, collaborating closely with leading national and international researchers, carrying out cutting-edge research.	
8	AN INTERCONTINENTAL UNIVERSITY Its presence extends beyond the European continent, with campuses in Ceuta and Melilla located in North Africa, creating an intercontinental institution.	
9	A CITY RICH IN CULTURE AND HISTORY Its fame as a historical, cultural, monumental and university city, together with its charm and numerous cultural and recreational activities, make it a great city to study in and a magnificent tourist destination. The cultural offer that the city of Granada has to offer is enormous: flamenco festivals, jazz, tango, theatre, magic, music, dance, comics, cinema, poetry, etcetera. Spanish gastronomy is internationally renowned for its quality and variety and Granada itself is known for its tapas.	
10	COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION We are a University committed to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. As a student, you will be able to take part in both local and international volunteering activities, in the field of development cooperation and the training of communities in need. You will be able to develop your studies in an atmosphere of diversity, equality and tolerance.	







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ACADEMIC CALENDAR - UNDERGRADUATE studies (click on the link)

- First semester: from mid-September to mid-December.
- First semester ordinary assessment session: from during January.
- Extraordinary assessment session for the first semester: during the first two weeks of February.
- Second semester: from mid-February to end of May.
- Second semester ordinary assessment session: during June.
- Extraordinary assessment session for the second semester: during the first two weeks of July.
- Holiday periods: last 2 weeks of December and first week of January (Christmas holidays); end of March / April (Eastern holidays).





- First semester: second week of September
- Second semester: second week of February

More information for incoming students







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ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES	Bachelor's Degrees: https://grados.ugr.es/ Master's Degrees and Doctoral Programmes: https://masteres.ugr.es/ https://www.ugr.es/estudiantes/master-doctorados UGR-specific Degrees: http://escuelaposgrado.ugr.es/pages/titulos_propios http://cemed.ugr.es Language courses: • Modern Languages Centre (CLM); info@clm.ugr.es • Confucius Institute; iconfucio@ugr.es • Centre for Slavic Cultures; cceslavas@ugr.es
LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	SPANISH (a B1 Spanish language proficiency is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED). The list of courses taught is available at: https://ugrcat.ugr.es/en/
RECOMMENDED CREDIT LOAD PER UNDERGRADUATE SEMESTER	21-30 ECTS per semester
TEACHING METHODOLOGIES Lectures, group work, lab sessions, seminars, tutorials.	
TRANSCRIPT OF RECORDS	Each Faculty/School or the International School for Postgraduate Studies will issue an official academic certificate in Spanish and/or English, which will include in addition to the student's personal information, the name of the mobility programme in which the student was registered, the subjects enrolled and the grades obtained in accordance with the system in force at the UGR. It will be provided to the student and, in the case of bilateral exchange agreements or interinstitutional agreements, to the partner university.







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GRADING SCALE	5 grade levels, based on a scale from 0 (lowest) to 10 (highest), awarded per exam. An overall grade will be awarded at the end of the degree course.
NUMERICAL SCORE 0 - 4,9 5 - 6,9 7 - 8,9 9 - 10	Fail Pass Very Good Excellent With Honors* *A distinction of "With Honors (A+)" may be awarded, at the lecturer's discretion, for outstanding achievements to a maximum of 5% of students.
FEES	 Erasmus+ students and exchange students (under the scope Bilateral agreements) are exempt from paying academic fees. Free Mobility students must pay the corresponding official public fees, plus other administrative or management fees, if applicable. Language courses must be paid in any case.
INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY REGULATIONS	International Student Mobility Regulations: https://www.ugr.es/universidad/normativa/consolidated-text- international-student-mobility-regulations-ugr
INSURANCE (MANDATORY)	The UGR regulation on international student mobility establishes in its article 29 that incoming students are obliged to have health care insurance and a travel assistance insurance with the minimum coverage determined by the Vice-rectorate during the whole period of studies at the University of Granada". More information: https://internacional.ugr.es/en/students/incoming-mobility/insurance?q=estudiantes/movilidad-entrante/informacion_basica_seguro
ERASMUS+ CHARTER	https://sl.ugr.es/0eb1
BILATERAL AGREEMENTS	In order to sign an agreement within the framework of the Erasmus+: Erasmus Programme, you should directly contact your counterparts at the <u>UGR's corresponding Faculty or School</u> . If your institution is interested in establishing Erasmus +: International Dimension agreements, please contact: icmagreements@ugr.es If your institution is interested in establishing collaborative bilateral agreements with the UGR out of Erasmus+ Programme, please contact: intlagreements@ugr.es







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APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS	All international students applying to the UGR HAVE TO COMPLETE AN ONLINE APPLICATION.
ONLINE APPLICATION DATES	From April 1st to May 15th for mobilities starting in September. From October 1st to October 31st for mobilities starting in February.
NOMINATIONS APPLICATIONS	ERASMUS+ (EU Member States, Programme Partner Countries (KA131) and SWISS EUROPEAN MOBILITY): • NOMINATION has to be directed to the corresponding UGR FACULTY/SCHOOL INTERCAMBIO (BILATERAL EXCHANGE AGREEMENTS, including the UNITED KINGDOM): • NOMINATION has to be directed to the INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OFFICE sending an email to incoming@ugr.es LIBRE MOVILIDAD (FREE MOBILITY, out of the framework of the existing interinstitutional or bilateral exchange agreements): • Free mobility students must be officially registered in their home university during the full mobility period at the UGR and must send a SIGNED AUTHORIZATION from their university to be elegible candidates. • Free mobility students must pay the corresponding public fees for enrolment. ERASMUS+ INTERNATIONAL CREDIT MOBILITY (Third countries not associated to the programme, KA171): • NOMINATION has to be directed to the INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OFFICE sending an email to intldimension@ugr.es







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LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS	 In general, it is established as a preferential criterion to have accredited a minimum level B1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages in the official language of instruction in order to be able to satisfactorily undertake undergraduate studies at the University of Granada. In any case, the Vice-Rectorate may establish the obligation to meet general or specific language proficiency accreditation requirements for certain programmes and degrees. In the case of postgraduate studies, a minimum level of B1 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages in the language of instruction of the programme must be accredited in order to be able to enrol. The Vice-Rector's Office will provide information on the accreditation exams offered by the University of Granada. 	
BUDDY PROGRAMME	The main purpose of this programme is to help international students and facilitate their cultural, academic and linguistic integration in in their new country and their new host city. It can be requested on the same online form used to apply for admission to the UGR, so the deadlines are the same. https://sl.ugr.es/07CM	
STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS	The University of Granada offers a variety of services to students with disabilities and/or specific educational support needs. The UGR provides these services in order to ensure that these students are fully and effectively included as members of the University community. Whether in terms of access to education and training or research and services, we strive to guarantee the right of all students to inclusive education in accordance with the principles of non-discrimination, equal opportunities and universal accessibility. Support services: https://internacional.ugr.es/en/students/ugr-services/educational-	
	<u>support-needs</u>	
SERVICES AND ADDITIONAL RESOURCES	In this link you can find useful information related to additional information and resources for international students: https://internacional.ugr.es/estudiantes/servicios-recursos	







COST OF LIVING

The city of Granada is considered one of the cheapest cities in Spain and Europe to live in as a student. Obviously, the cost of living as a student in Granada depends on your lifestyle but an approximate average cost of living is around 700-800€ per month.

As a guideline, the following is an estimate of the cost of living in Granada for the most basic aspects. basic aspects:

- Accommodation in a shared flat (excluding water and electricity) is between 250€ and 300€ per month.
- The daily menu in the university canteens costs €3.50 if you eat there, and €6 if you take away.
- A bus trip costs €1.40, using the credibus card €0.87 and with the university voucher €0.61. The (At the moment all city bus fares are reduced by 50%).

On this page you can see a couple of videos about the campuses and districts of Granada and the different accommodation options:

https://internacional.ugr.es/estudiantes/servicios-recursos/alojamiento

HEATH CARE AND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

WHAT IF I FALL SICK?

According with the International Student Mobility Regulations, incoming students are required to have health and travel insurance for the whole duration of their stay: http://sl.ugr.es/0eax

Non-urgent health care.

To receive health care, you must first register at the health centre closest to where you live. Once registered, you can make an appointment by telephone or online. Waiting times for medical appointments may vary. You will find the directory of Health Centres on the following page of the Junta de Andalucía: https://www.sspa.juntadeandalucia.es/servicioandaluzdesalud/el-sas/servicios-y-centros/informacion-por-centros

Public Health System.

For more information, visit the Spanish Social Security website: https://www.seg-social.es/wps/portal/wss/internet/InformacionUtil/32078/

In all cases you must present proof of identity (passport or identity card).

Private health care system.

Before you receive medical treatment, you must call the number on your insurance card. In the call you must identify yourself and provide your policy number. From this number, they will be able to provide you with information about the medical centre in Granada where you can be treated.

There are usually two clinics or hospitals in Granada that work with private insurance companies:

- Hospital Vithas La Salud:
 Avda. Santa María de la Alhambra, 6. 18008 Granada. Tel.: +34 958 80 88 80
- Clínica de la Inmaculada:
 C/ Doctor Alejandro Otero, 8 18004 Granada. Tel.: +34 958 2538 00 y +34 958 18 77 00

Urgent health care.

According to the regulations of the Spanish National Health System, emergency care is guaranteed 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Hospitals and medical clinics are mainly responsible for providing this care. If you need an ambulance, you should call the **Emergency number 112**, which is the same throughout the European Union.







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RESIDENCE IN SPAIN

FORMALITIES FOR FOREIGN CITIZENS.

Citizens of the European Union, Switzerland and the European Economic Area.

To enter Spain those citizens must present their valid passport or National Identity Card. In case they are going to stay more than three months in Spain, they must apply in person, at the Immigration Office in Granada, for registration in the Central Register of Foreigners, enclosing with the application form, a valid passport or national identity card, a photocopy of the health card or insurance and the UGR student card. The application form must be submitted as soon as possible and in any case, within three months from the date of entry into Spain. Students are obliged by law to carry out this registration procedure within the first three months after arrival.

Students from countries outside the European Union.

- Students who are studying at a university belonging to an EU member state (Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Greece, Spain, France, Croatia, Italy, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Hungary, Malta, Netherlands, Austria, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Finland, Sweden) and have a foreigner's identity card, valid for the whole period of studies at the University of Granada, issued by the country where they are studying. The University of Granada will notify the Foreigners Office in Granada, so that the student does not have to apply for a student visa to come to Spain.
- Students who are studying at a university that does not belong to an EU member state (countries already mentioned). They must apply for the corresponding student visa at the Spanish consulate nearest to their home. You will find the relevant information on the procedure to follow at the consulate at the following link:

https://www.inclusion.gob.es/en/web/migraciones/w/estancia-por-estudios.

Inmigration Office in Granada.

C/San Agapito n°2, 18071 Granada (España). Tlf.: (+34) 958 90 94 08. Horario: de lunes a jueves de 9 a 17h. y viernes de 9 a 14h.

Application for an Appointment at the Foreigners' Office.

https://sede.administracionespublicas.gob.es/pagina/index/directorio/icpplus/language/es_ES







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RELATED LINKS

University of Granada	 En español: https://www.ugr.es In English: https://www.ugr.es/en
Communication and information resources	https://canal.ugr.es
UGR Staff Directory	https://directorio.ugr.es
UGR Faculties and Schools	https://www.ugr.es/en/about/organization
Guides, Brochures and Videos about the UGR	https://internacional.ugr.es/en/about/abou t/ugr-promotion
International Relations Office	 http://internacional.ugr.es http://facebook.com/internacionalugr https://twitter.com/intlUGR https://www.instagram.com/intlugr
Granada	https://turismo.granada.org/es
Ceuta	https://www.ceuta.es
Melilla	https://www.melilla.es
Andalusia	https://www.andalucia.org
Spain	https://www.spain.info







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