



About studying at the UGR

Induction Days for International Students



You can find extensive information on a wide range of topics related to studying and living in Granada, including accommodation, administrative procedures, university careers, sports and cultural activities, Covid-19 health and safety advice, migration procedures, academic information, and university services, via the following website:

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Academic affairs

The following information highlights some important characteristics of UGR undergraduate programmes that you should be aware of before commencing your studies.

	General Information
LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	Mainly Spanish
LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS	B1 in Spanish (minimum recommended level).
RECOMMENDED CREDIT LOAD PER UNDERGRADUATE SEMESTER	21-30 ECTS
TEACHING METHODOLOGY	Lectures, group work, tutorials, lab sessions, seminars, etc.
ACADEMIC CALENDAR	UGR Academic Calendar

INDUCTION DAYS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS	One week prior to the beginning of the lessons
INSURANCE	All students on international mobility programmes must have health and travel insurance. Check the health coverage provided by the European Health Insurance Card if you have one.
UGR MENTOR PROGRAMME	This programme helps international mobility students to integrate, network with other students, and successfully undertake their academic responsibilities. UGR Mentor Programme
STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS	Please visit the following website for further information on the disability support services provided by the UGR: Disability services at the UGR

Languages

LANGUAGE CENTRES	LANGUAGES OFFERED	WEBSITE
Modern Languages Centre (CLM)	Spanish, English, French, Italian, German, Japanese, Portuguese, Swedish, Romanian, Russian, Arabic, Persian, Polish and Czech	CLM
Russian Centre	Russian	Russian Centre
Confucius Institute	Chinese	Confucius Institute

For information on term dates, holidays and exam periods, please consult the current Academic Calendar:

- Academic alendar 2022-2023 for undergraduates degrees (pdf)
- Academic calenda 2022-2023 for master degrees (pdf)

ECTS credit system

The most significant feature of the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) is that it not only takes into account in-class work, but also the actual effort you need to make in order to pass each subject. Each ECTS credit is equivalent to approximately 25-30 hours of work, encompassing the time you spend in class, seminars, internships, on projects and studying. Generally speaking, on most UGR programmes an academic year of full-time study amounts to 60 ECTS credits — 30 credits per semester.

Grading system

Grading scale: 5 marks based on a scale from 0 (lowest) to 10 (highest), with a final

NUMERICAL SCORE	MARK
0 - 4.9 (suspense)	Fail
5 - 6.9 (aprobado)	Pass / Adequate
7 - 8.9 (notable)	Very Good
9 - 10 (sobresaliente)	Excellent*

*Matrícula de honor: A distinction of 'With Honours (A+)' or a 'High First Class (75-100)' in the UK/Ireland may be awarded, at the lecturer's discretion, for outstanding achievements to a maximum of 5% of students enrolled on a given course.

Non-academic affairs

- **Health insurance and healthcare: what if I fall sick?**
 - Public Healthcare System
- **You will be treated free of charge:**
 - If you come from an EU country, Switzerland, Norway, Iceland or Liechtenstein and upon showing the European Health Insurance Card.
 - If you come from a non-EU country upon showing documentation to prove you have a healthcare plan.
 - If you come from a country with a bilateral agreement with Spain, such as Andorra, Brazil, Chile, Ecuador, Paraguay or Peru. In this case you will have to request a family doctor at the nearest public health centre to your home address in Granada within the first few days after your arrival in Spain. You will have to prove that you have the right to medical care in your home country. More information is available on the Spanish Social Security website: [Social Security web](#)

- Important: You must present your national ID card or passport to register with a health centre.
- **Non-urgent medical care:** To receive non-urgent assistance you must first register with the nearest public health centre (centro de salud) to your home address in Granada. Once registered, medical appointments can be booked online or by calling your centre and can generally be made for within 2-3 days. Using the following directory and your postcode, you can find out which health centre you need to register with in Granada: [Health centre directory](#)
- **Urgent medical care:** In line with the regulations of the Spanish National Health System (SNS), urgent medical attention is guaranteed 24/7, 365 days a year to everyone in any hospital. If you require an ambulance, you must call the **Emergency Phone Number in Spain (and all EU countries): 112.**
- Private Healthcare System
 - If you come from a non-EU country and there is no bilateral agreement between your country and the Spanish Social Security System you must take out your own private health insurance, or you may be able to purchase insurance cover offered by the University of Granada.
- In this case, if you need medical assistance during your stay in Granada, you must provide the official documents from your health insurance policy. Before visiting your doctor, call the number that appears on your insurance policy or card. During the call you will be asked for your identification number and your policy details. The insurance company should inform you about the medical clinics where you can receive medical care in Granada. In general there are two hospitals or clinics in Granada that have an agreement with private insurance companies:
 1. Hospital Vithas La Salud: Avda. Santa María de la Ahambra, 6. 18008 Granada. Tel.: +34 958 80 88 80
 2. Clínica de la Inmaculada: C/ Doctor Alejandro Otero, 8 18004 Granada. Tel.: +34 958 25 38 00
- **Urgent medical care:** In line with the regulations of the National Health System, urgent medical attention is guaranteed 24/7, 365 days a year to everyone in any hospital. In the event that you should require an ambulance, you must call the **Emergency Phone Number in Spain (and all EU countries): 112.**

Residence permits

- Further information: [Residence permits](#)
- **Citizens from the EU, Switzerland and the European Economic Area**
 - A valid passport or national ID card is required for entry into Spain. If the stay is for longer than three months, you must apply to be included in the Central Register of Foreign Nationals in person at the Immigration Office (Oficina de Extranjería) in Granada. Along with the application form, you must submit a valid passport or national ID card (with a photocopy), a copy of your health insurance card (or your insurance policy) and official

UGR Erasmus student credential (with a photocopy). You are obliged by law to complete this registration process within the first three months after your arrival.

- **Citizens from other countries**

- Generally speaking, in order to enter and stay in Spain, an application must be made for a visa at the Diplomatic Mission or Spanish General Consulate in your country of residence.

Cost of living in Granada

The city of Granada is considered one of the least expensive places in Spain and Europe to live as a student. Obviously, the cost of living for each student depends on their lifestyle, but it tends to vary between €650 and €850 per month.

For guidance purposes, we have calculated the average cost of living in Granada in the most basic aspects:

- Accommodation in a shared flat in the city centre (water and energy expenses included) varies roughly between €200 - €280 per month.
- The daily set menu in the University canteens costs €3.50. The takeaway menu costs €4.
- A single city-bus ticket costs roughly €1.40. If you purchase a "Credibus" card, the price is €0.87 per trip and with the University bus pass the cost is €0.61 per trip. A monthly "Bonobús" pass costs about €40.

Services, resources and facilities at the UGR

Handbooks for international students and partners

You can find comprehensive information on a wide range of topics related to both studying and living in Granada in the following guides. Whether you are looking for academic, language, or psychological support services, or you simply want to find out how to get involved in the UGR Sports Centre activities, university clubs or societies, you can find extensive information about our services and resources in these guides.

More information:

- Information for incoming students in English and Spanish
- Information for our partner universities