



## The UGR climbs almost 100 places in the QS Rankings

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In this edition, the University of Granada ranks among the 27% of the best universities in the world, and is the best positioned in Andalusia.

The UGR reaches very outstanding positions in some indicators

of the ranking, such as the 34th position in the world in international research networks or the 192nd position in academic reputation.

The University of Granada (UGR) has climbed almost 100 places in the 2024 edition of the QS World University Rankings, which ranks 1500 universities in more than 100 countries and has just been published.

The Granada institution, which in previous years has occupied positions between 450 and 550 in the world, has risen almost 100 places in this latest edition, ranking 403rd in the world (27% of the world top), tenth in Spain and first in Andalusia.

It stands out especially in the IRN (International Research Network) indicator, where the UGR is ranked 34th in the world and which reflects the capacity of institutions to diversify the geography of their international research network through the



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establishment of sustainable research partnerships with other higher education institutions. The UGR has also improved in the academic reputation indicator, ranking 192nd in the world.

Compared to the rest of Spanish universities, the UGR ranks 2nd in international research networks, 5th in academic reputation and 6th in citations per teaching and research staff.

This ranking, first compiled in 2004 by the British consultancy Quacquarelli Symonds (QS), measures the performance of higher education institutions by taking into account 9 metrics to which it assigns different weights in the final score: academic reputation of the institution (30%), reputation from the point of view of employers (15%), faculty-student ratio (10%), number of citations per teaching and research staff (5%), proportion of foreign faculty to total (5%), proportion of international students to total (5%), international research networks (5%), graduate employability outcomes (5%), and sustainability of the institution (5%).

As has become customary in recent years, the top positions in the world ranking are occupied by universities in the United States and the United Kingdom, specifically the top 5 positions are in this order for Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), University of Cambridge, University of Oxford, Harvard University and Stanford University.

In the case of Spain, the ranking includes 35 universities among the top 1500 in the world, this year highlighting the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona in first place nationally and 149th in the world, followed by the Universitat de Barcelona (164th in the world) and the Universidad Complutense de Madrid (171st in the world).

The vice-rector for the campuses of Ceuta and Melilla, Strategic Planning and Communication, Salvador del Barrio, stresses that the position of the UGR in this ranking "confirms the effects of the great effort that has been made in our institution in recent years not only in research and transfer, but also in other aspects such as participation in international networks, a clear commitment to sustainability or the improvement of our reputation globally".