



Degree Programmes

This study placement is available for LSS students (Spanish and English Speaking), ABS students (English Speaking) and LHS (Biology- English Speaking)

Number of Places: 9

This document provides basic information about the university. **Please do your own research before applying.**

Application Process

To apply for this opportunity you must submit an online application.

Link to the online application can be found in the **How to Apply** section in each university ad. Online application form requires registration, please register with your Aston University e-mail.

Please note that you can submit one application only. As a part of the application, you must provide three universities in order of preference, which should also be specified in your motivation letter.

You are required to submit one motivational letter, which must be focused on your first priority.

Please do not contact the partner university directly as all the applications are processed by Aston's International Projects Team.

The University

Universitat Pompeu Fabra
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SPAIN

Main University website: [In English](#)
[Incoming Exchange Page](#)



Universitat Pompeu Fabra (UPF) is located in Barcelona. The *Times Higher Education* Rankings (THES) lists the world's **600 best centres for teaching and research** together with the position held by each centre on a world, European and national level. According to the classification for 2011, **UPF has kept its place among the best universities** throughout the world, coming in at numbers 186 worldwide and 77 in Europe. With regard to the **Spanish universities**, UPF holds first position.

What it is like to study at UPF

Check out the videos:

[Video 1](#) [Video 2](#) [Video 3](#)

Location

Barcelona is situated in the south of Spain and is the capital of Catalonia. With its over one million inhabitants it is the second largest city of the country. The city has a beautiful beach and is known for its sights by the architect Antoni Gaudi. The football club FC Barcelona is based there.



Semester/key dates

Semester 1: Mid-September – end of January

Semester 2: Early February – end of June

Academic calendar

Courses Available

LSS Students will be registered with the department of Translation and Interpreting but can usually take courses from other departments. In the past, students have been able to take courses from a number of these departments. You can also take Catalan courses if you wish and take part in the Language Voluntariate Programme (VL) which helps exchange students to integrate with language and culture.

From 2018/19, Pompeu Fabra are launching their Global Studies Programme, which will be taught in English and is suitable for IR and Politics.

The academic year is divided into **three terms** of ten weeks each, followed by two weeks of examinations.

The Faculty of Economic and Business Sciences offers access to the courses on their five degree programmes:

(ECO) Economics

(BA) Business Management and Administration

(IBE) International Business Economics (taught entirely in English)

(MGT) Business Sciences – Management

Workload

The normal course load is **20 ECTS credits each term**, so that students can take 60 ECTS credits every academic year.

Exchange students can enrol in **3rd or 4th year courses in any of the 4 bachelor programmes**. Places will only be given in first and second year courses in very exceptional circumstances, and this is always subject to prior authorization from the exchange coordinator.

UPF courses usually have a course load of **5 ECTS** credits (equivalent to 125 hours of work by the student, including class attendance, seminars, presentations, group work, individual study and examinations).

Living in Spain

- **Accommodation, Services and Practical Information**
- **Information for international students**

Next steps if you are successful

1. After the deadline, our Study Abroad Team will assess your application.
2. If you are successful, we will send you a study abroad offer (via e-mail) and will give you some time to think about it. If we cannot offer you any of the three universities you applied for, we will be in touch with alternative options.
3. If you choose to accept the Study Abroad placement, you will be nominated by us to the partner university, after attending a compulsory face to face appointment with the study abroad coordinators.
4. Following the nomination (usually in the Spring), you will have to complete a registration process with the partner university to finalise your acceptance.
5. After you have completed the registration, the host university will send you an official acceptance letter (electronically or via post).
6. You will be informed by the host university about any other deadlines (course selection, accommodation etc.) so do keep an eye on your Aston e-mail.

Visa

Please ensure that you have an up to date passport before applying to Universitat Pompeu Fabra and also that you fulfil any visa requirements for entering and studying in Spain. For further information, please see the website of the [Spanish Embassy](#) in London.

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