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Join the UPF Barcelona Summer School!

- The UPF Barcelona Summer School is a for-credit programme geared to highly demanding undergraduate students from home and abroad with an interest in furthering their knowledge of Hispanic Studies, Audiovisual Communication and Political Science at Pompeu Fabra University (UPF) during the summer term.
- Local and international students meet and exchange ideas and share a cross-cultural immersion experience in a truly international environment in Barcelona.
- The program proposes an academic challenge that showcases the vibrant city as a modern, cosmopolitan melting pot and an ideal forum for discussing current global issues.
- The program offers flexibility and scope for enrolment on language and subject-specific courses revolving around the arts, society and the audiovisual industry, with a focus on Barcelona, Catalonia, Spain and Europe.



Why at Pompeu Fabra University?

Founded in 1990 to stand out for high quality in teaching, excellence in research and a strong vocation for international outreach, UPF has progressively broadened its academic offer extending to three large areas of knowledge: the Social Sciences and Humanities, the Health and Life Sciences, and the ICT and Communication Sciences.

 **1/3 of UPF graduates can claim to have studied abroad**

UPF has always outstood for its high level of internationalization, with a profile sustained and reinforced by an open recruitment policy to national and international talent.

 **Extensive network of international agreements with partnerships with 27 universities among those in the world Top 50 best universities**

Granted Campus of International Excellence status by the Spanish Ministry of Education, UPF is consistently ranked among the top European universities.

UPF is a young, modern, prestigious university that runs a first-rate Study Abroad Programme.

 **+1,400 international students choose UPF to spend a semester or a full year abroad every year, many at the UPF Study Abroad Programme**



Discover a wide variety of courses

The courses UPF is offering encompass a wide variety of subjects in the fields of history, politics, literature, mass media studies, visual arts and the performing arts. All subjects are largely focused on Barcelona and the Catalan, Spanish and/or European cultures, thus providing many different perspectives on the corresponding societies. Courses are taught in either English or Spanish, and combine academic rigour with active student participation, nurtured through off-campus activities in some cases. Bringing Catalan, Spanish and foreign students together in the same classrooms creates scope for contrasting cultural views of the issues under discussion, thus significantly enriching the academic experience. Non-Spanish-speaking students may supplement their enrolment on courses with Spanish language studies at different levels. All courses have 45 contact hours.

Political Science

Society and Politics in Contemporary Spain

This course is designed to give an overview of fundamental issues in the study of Spanish politics. The core of the course is the study of the nature and functioning of the Spanish democratic system installed since the middle of the seventies, paying special attention to the main political processes, institutions, actors, political culture and electoral behavior.

Language of instruction: English *ECTS:* 5 credits

Current European Union Issues in a Global World

This course aims at providing historical and critical tools for the understanding of the construction and integration processes of the European Union after World War II and its successive enlargements in the 1970s, the 1980s and the 1990s with the fall of communism. It studies the basic structure and the institutions of the EU today and its decision and policy-making processes. Central to the course will be the issue of the EU in front of current and future challenges in a globalized world.

Language of instruction: English *ECTS:* 5 credits

España y las Américas: Transición y Democratización

Curso de historia política reciente de España y América Latina, haciendo hincapié en los procesos de transición y en las consecuencias de dichos procesos políticos en la esfera social y su traducción en leyes de amnistía, memoria histórica y reconciliación nacional.

Language of instruction: Spanish *ECTS:* 5 credits

Humanities

Destination Barcelona: La Ciudad y su Escritura

Destination Barcelona: La Ciudad y su Escritura es un curso en que, a través de la conceptualización y el desarrollo de un proyecto periodístico, pretende examinar la Barcelona del siglo XXI en toda su complejidad cultural y socioeconómica. Aunque predominará la exploración literaria de la ciudad, también se integrarán a su representación otros discursos, como el fotográfico, el del cómic o el audiovisual.

Language of instruction: Spanish *ECTS:* 5 credits

Contemporary Barcelona and its Cultural History

The course explores the cultural history of the city as a reflection of the cultural history of contemporary Spain, from the anarchist city to the cosmopolitan capital with international outreach. Focusing on the last two centuries and from a sociological/anthropological point of view, the course will analyze the Barcelona society and its most recent political history through its conflicts and cultural influences.

Language of instruction: English *ECTS:* 5 credits

La Edad de Plata: Intelectuales y Artistas en las Vanguardias Españolas de Entreguerras

El curso estudia la historia cultural, artística e intelectual de la España de entreguerras, período que se ha dado en llamar “La Edad de Plata.” Además de detenerse en el papel de las nuevas instituciones culturales y científicas en el marco del proyecto de “modernización” de España, el curso analiza la producción intelectual, literaria y artística de las generaciones del 98 y del 27, considerando también la recepción española de las corrientes vanguardistas europeas, en particular el surrealismo.

Language of instruction: Spanish *ECTS:* 5 credits

Literatura Española del Siglo de Oro

En este curso se presentarán los principales textos de la literatura española desde sus inicios hasta la decadencia del Imperio español. Se atenderán tanto los aspectos de historia literaria como la relación con los contextos de creación y recepción de los títulos escogidos con el fin de trazar el desarrollo del imaginario social y cultural dominante. Desde esta perspectiva, se analizarán de manera central la uniformidad y diversidad en la península Ibérica y la idea de España en los márgenes de Europa.

Language of instruction: Spanish *ECTS:* 5 credits

Cataluña: Tierra de Encuentros y Territorio de Fronteras

El curso aborda cuestiones tales como convivencia, el conflicto, la identidad, las migraciones y los flujos de personas, el papel de éstos en la reconformación del tejido social, las ideas y las conductas, la frontera e interacción cultural, la fricción entre modelos de cultura y de sociedad, etc., tomando como caso de estudio a Cataluña en dos momentos clave de su historia: la Edad Media y la época contemporánea (desde el final de la Guerra Civil hasta la actualidad).

Language of instruction: Spanish *ECTS:* 5 credits

Communication

“Sketches of Spain”: Spain in Contemporary Mass and Visual Culture

The course analyses the categories, political, social, anthropological or aesthetic, at work in the idea of a Spanish “typicality”, a “Spanish-ness” or “españolidad”, in the realms of visual and material culture and in the arts. Its goal is a critical reflection on the notion of what denotes (or qualifies) in an object, an attitude, an artifact, a work of art, a piece of literature the condition of being “Spanish”. Main areas considered in this course are advertising and design.

Language of instruction: English *ECTS:* 5 credits

Imágenes de España en el Cine Contemporáneo

El curso ofrece una introducción al cine español con una atención particular hacia aquellos cineastas que destacan tanto por su valor artístico como por su capacidad para reflejar los rasgos más destacables de la realidad y la cultura españolas contemporáneas. El imaginario plural del cine español más reciente se estudiará a través de la obra de autores como Pedro Almodóvar, Víctor Erice, Julio Médem, Alejandro Amenábar, José Luis Guérin, Pilar Miró, Isabel Coixet, Icíar Bollaín, Judith Colell...

Language of instruction: Spanish *ECTS:* 5 credits

Barcelona on Stage: Documentary Workshop

The goal of this seminar is to provide the student with a basic, but professional, level of knowledge of documentary film making. Special attention will be given to the successful renewal of the Spanish -and in special cases, the Catalan- film scene in the last 15 years. The seminar includes a practical exercise where students can discover their particular way of seeing Spanish reality.

Language of instruction: English *ECTS:* 5 credits

Spanish Postmodernism and Beyond

This course studies current artistic practices in Spain, mainly performance, video creation, creative actions, media and net art, music, and photography and their interrelation with other aesthetic practices.

Language of instruction: English *ECTS:* 5 credits

Spanish Language

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All levels offered (Beginner, Pre-intermediate, Intermediate, Advanced, Proficiency and Spanish language for Heritage Speakers).

Language of instruction: Spanish *ECTS:* 5 credits

When?

UPF Barcelona Summer School runs yearly for 6 weeks.

Starting date: late June

Ending date: late July/early August

General application deadline: May 15



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⌚ Monday-Friday from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm

Immerse yourself in the city of Barcelona!

UPF Ciutadella Campus is centrally located in Barcelona, close to the shores of the Mediterranean and the historic district. Some classes take place in the Communication Campus in Poblenou, equipped with top-class technical labs to develop hands-on projects.

The Catalan capital is a key spot in our globalized world and an ideal place to study in the summer. The program is largely focused in the city itself, both during class time and field trips, by analyzing and experiencing the culture, cosmopolitanism, architectural wonders and rich historic and human heritage of Barcelona.

