

FAQ's BEFORE ARRIVAL

I have been selected by my home University, what do I need to do now?

As soon as we receive the e-mail of your University with your official nomination we will contact you and send instructions about our online application: https://polisocio.ugr.es/sites/centros/polisocio/public/inline-files/Admission%20procedure.pdf

Which are the language requirements?

We are a Faculty whose teaching is fully in Spanish, as it is the case for all of the other faculties of University of Granada as well. Therefore, you are required to have a good grasp of Spanish (written, spoken, and listened) to be able to meet the courses' demands successfully.

Exceptionally, we do offer the following courses taught in ENGLISH:

- → Faculty of **Political Sciences and Sociology**:

 https://polisocio.ugr.es/sites/centros/polisocio/public/inline-files/academic_offer_english.pdf
- → Other faculties of the University of Granada: http://sl.ugr.es/0bUg

Our system is very time-demanding in terms of weekly hours of lecturing. Hence, the relevance to be competent to follow lectures in Spanish. Our teaching staff won't be able to make any language adjustments for those international students unable to work in Spanish as any other national student does.

To sum up, the language of instruction and assessment for all programmes in the Faculty of Political Sciences and Sociology is **Spanish** (with the exception of eight courses taught in English).

A **B1 level of Spanish** is required and therefore, a Spanish language certificate is required from all applicants.

As we are aware of the difficulties in obtaining this certificate, we would be flexible and accept any proof of Spanish knowledge (statement, email, etc). Just bear in mind Spanish knowledge is needed.

In any case, we offer a list of courses with linguistic support: https://polisocio.ugr.es/sites/centros/polisocio/public/inline-files/Asignaturas%20con%20apoyo%20liguistico.pdf

Can I choose courses at other Faculties?

You will be able to choose courses taught at other Faculties always provided there are free places available (something we will know only at the moment when enrolling on them).

When filling in the online application (deadline 15th of May/31 October), only courses taught at our Faculty are listed. Therefore, in case you would like to follow courses at other Faculties, **you would need to register for them once you are in Granada**, which can cause problems as far as availability goes. In any case, you can include these courses on your Learning Agreement.

How do I proceed with my Learning Agreement?

OLA is not available at our University yet. Therefore, we will proceed as in previous years:

- You should fill in your LA by using your Home University template.
- Then you send it by e-mail (once it is signed by the coordinator of your own University) to oriccps@ugr.es.
- We will return it signed by our International **Academic Responsible**, the Vice dean for Internationalization, Guadalupe Martínez Fuentes, by the end of May (and always before your arrival in Granada).

Here you can check academic information available through the following links:

- https://www.ugr.es/en/study/undergraduate/programmes/political-and-administrative-sciences
- **❖** Degree in Sociology
- ❖ Double Degree in Administration and Political Sciences and Law

Find description of the courses included in each degree by clicking in Guías Docentes



Once you have filled in your Learning Agreement you can send it to <u>oriceps@ugr.es</u> and we will send it back as soon as it is signed and stamped. This procedure should be done in May-June.

When will I receive my acceptance letter?

Although the platform will send an acceptance email, we will send an acceptance letter as soon as validation of application has been done (end of June for students starting in September and December for students starting in February).

Can I select Master Level courses?

If you are a master student please bear in mind you are coming under a bachelor level Interinstitutional Agreement. In most Spanish universities' bachelor degrees run over 4 years and masters are 1 year (while in most European universities the structure is 3+2).

Furthermore, courses offered at undergraduate level are completely separated from those offered at postgraduate level.

What some of our partners do, aware of this 4+1 structure, is that they send master students through a Bilateral Agreement for undergraduate level and then, they validate the students' credits as master level. However, it is always up to each coordinator.

Exceptionally, incoming students are able to enrol in one or two courses taught in the different masters offered by UGR (a maximum of 2 courses per semester).

Procedure is the same as when selecting courses at other Faculties (including it in the Learning Agreement and getting the approval from the Coordinator of the Master).

Here is the link to the academic offer at master level.

So, yes, you would be able to select a course taught in one of the masters but with the restrictions explained above.

How many credits can I select when combining Bachelor-Master courses?

Number of credits and requisites needed to apply for Master studies will vary depending on the agreement under which you have been nominated:

- If you are a Master student at your University and your nomination at UGR has been done under an agreement for Bachelor studies, you could register in course modules of Master studies at UGR with a maximum of 6 ECTS if your mobility period is of 4 months, and a maximum of 12 ECTS if your mobility period is of a full academic year. Remember, always provided that you receive the confirmation from the corresponding coordinator of the Master at UGR. In any case, all procedures should be done through our Faculty.
- If you have been nominated under an agreement for Master level, admission procedures should be carried out through Escuela Internacional de Posgrado (epinternacional@ugr.es). In this case, it is compulsory to have a B1 level of Spanish or English, depending on the language of instruction of the subjects you would like to apply for. You would be able to include 6 ECTS credits (12 for full year) taught in one or more Bachelor Degrees.

Which is the Academic Calendar for the Faculty of Political Sciences and Sociology?

Check out this link: https://polisocio.ugr.es/sites/centros/polisocio/public/inline-files/3-Academic-calendar.pdf

First term classes: from 16-Sep-2024 to 20-Dec-2024
First term exam period: from 10-Jan-2025 to 24-Jan-2025
First term resit exams: from 06-Feb-2025 to 15-Feb-2025

Second term classes: from 17-Feb-2025 to 30-May-2025 Second term exam period: from 04-Jun-2025 to 18-Jun-2025 Second term resit exams: from 01-Jul -2025 to 11-Jul-2025

I would like to make plans for travelling, which are the Holiday periods?

- ✓ 21 December 2024 to 7 January 2025 (Christmas)
- ✓ 14 April to 21 April 2025 (Easter)
- ✓ 19 June to 22 June 2025 (Corpus Christi)
- ✓ 1 to 31 August 2025 (Summer holidays)

Where is the Faculty of Political Sciences situated?

The Faculty of Political Sciences and Sociology is situated in the city centre, in *Calle Rector López Argüeta*. Here is the reference in google maps.

I want to learn Spanish, is there any course I could follow?

Thanks to CLM (Centro de Lenguas Modernas) you will have the opportunity to learn, as they offer different courses depending on your level and objectives. Click here for more information.

Is there any Erasmus association for me to join in order to achieve a better integration?

This <u>link</u> gives you some information about some students' associations so that you can have a wonderful experience during your stay in Granada. Here are the main ones:

- → ESN Granada
- → <u>EMYCET</u> Viajes
- → Best Life Experience

These associations are a great opportunity for students to make their Erasmus unique and unforgettable, allowing them to travel, to meet new people and to get to know Granada.

When are the induction days going to be?

The *Vice-Rectorate for Internationalization* at the <u>Universidad de Granada</u> organises twice a year an *Induction Days for International Students* prior to the beginning of the semester.

The aim is to **welcome our incoming International students and give them essential information** on registering at the International Relations Office, the international student card, enrolment on courses, the services provided by the <u>UGR</u> and enjoy the leisure activities we have planned for during the induction days. Thanks to these induction days, we can ensure that your stay at the <u>UGR</u> as an international student will be an unforgettable and problem-free experience.

Induction Days for the students beginning in the first semester 2024/2025 will take place: 11-13 September-2024.

The meeting in our Faculty will take place on Friday, 13th September, at 10:00

Some more general info on our University:

http://internacional.ugr.es/pages/movilidad/estudiantes/entrantes

<u>http://internacional.ugr.es/pages/guias-y-folletos/informationsheetweb</u> (Spanish infosheet)

http://internacional.ugr.es/pages/guias-y-folletos/informationsheet2017english (English infosheet)