

University of Vic · Central University of Catalonia

Annual Report
2023-2024

 UNIVERSITAT DE VIC
UNIVERSITAT CENTRAL DE CATALUNYA

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Introduction



Josep Eladi Baños
Rector of the University
of Vic - Central
University of Catalonia

For the University of Vic - Central University of Catalonia (UVic-UCC), 2023-2024 has been a year of growth for the university community, teaching, research and international activity, another year on the journey along the pathway of consolidation as a nationally and internationally recognised institution. We also celebrated the tenth anniversary of the federation agreement between the Balmes University Foundation and the Bages University Foundation. We have commemorated the origin of our pioneering, distinctive UVic-UCC structure, which the Foundation for Advanced Studies in Health Sciences and the Elisava Foundation University School have also joined.

The growth of the community has seen more students, especially undergraduates, and more teachers, researchers and service staff, all members of a university community that grows year by year.

We are offering more courses, with new recognised degrees, such as Dentistry and Digital Society Management, and the Master's Degree in Food and Sustainability, and we have received approval for Audiology as a recognised degree. We have also taken a step forward in continuing education, with proposals that respond to the growing need for lifelong learning. This year has seen new joint degrees with EADA, new master's degrees in design, bespoke training for local enterprises, and a range of short-course microcredentials.

In research, we have also made progress, with a significant increase in income from competitive projects, in excess of 12 million euros. This growth has been driven by projects led by the BETA Technology Centre, and in other fields such as Arts and Humanities, Social Sciences, Engineering and Health, led by researchers in diverse groups, research centres and research institutes at UVic-UCC. And we had the pleasure of conferring an honorary doctorate on the artist and poet Perejaume.

In the international arena, the Seal of Excellence awarded by the European Union to the UP University consortium, which UVic-UCC takes part in, has been renewed, underlining the quality and impact of our institution internationally. UVic-UCC has continued to feature in various international and national academic rankings, and for the first time has entered the prestigious QS World University Rankings: Southern Europe 2024.

Growth has also been evident in terms of finance. This year, the Balmes University Foundation and the Generalitat de Catalunya have signed a new contract programme, with an annual allocation of 13 million euros, bringing the public contribution to the UVic-UCC budget to almost 25%. This agreement has been extended for 2024 through the allocation of further resources for the Fundació Universitària del Bages, worth one million euros.

We have inaugurated new premises and equipment for teaching, research and management. There are new automation laboratories in Granollers, the Remei building in Vic, and new facilities at the Faculty of Medicine. Elisava has opened premises in Madrid and the Manresa Campus has set in motion work on the future University Dental Clinic.

This has been an academic year of significant progress and celebration at UVic-UCC; we have also marked 40 years of Eumo_dc and 10 years of the UAlumni group. These anniversaries invite us to look to the past, and at the same time renew our commitment to the present and the exciting challenges of the future, with projects that we will be able to carry forward thanks to the efforts and involvement of the whole university community.

Students

UVIC-UCC STUDENTS

22,266

RECOGNISED DEGREE COURSE STUDENTS

11,772

CONTINUING EDUCATION STUDENTS

10,494

UVIC-UCC STUDENTS ON RECOGNISED COURSES

BACHELOR'S DEGREES

10,379

UVIC: 4,960

UMANRESA: 2,120

UMEDICINA: 649

UELISAVA: 814

Affiliate centres

BAU: 854

ESERP: 982

MASTER'S DEGREES

679

UVIC: 371

UMANRESA: 37

UELISAVA: 12

Affiliate centres

BAU: 19

EADA: 240

DOCTORAL PROGRAMMES

377

UVIC-UCC: 377

HIGHER VOCATIONAL TRAINING (CFGS)

337

UVIC: 145

UMANRESA: 192

STUDENTS BY SEX

7,537 Women: 64%

UVIC: 3,077

UMANRESA: 1,466

UMEDICINA: 499

UELISAVA: 566

Doctoral College: 230

Affiliate centres: 1,520

Professional Campus: 179

4,235 Men: 36%

UVIC: 2,254

UMANRESA: 691

UMEDICINA: 150

UELISAVA: 260

Doctoral College: 147

Affiliate centres: 575

Professional Campus: 158

STUDENTS BY GEOGRAPHICAL ORIGIN

Catalonia: 8,903

76%

Spain: 1,030

9%

International: 1,839

15%

STUDENT SUPPORT PROGRAMME

BENEFICIARY STUDENTS

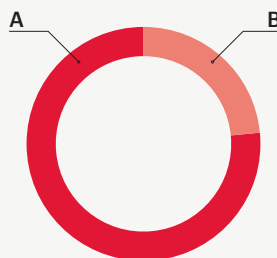
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UVIC: 271

UMANRESA: 41

UMEDICINA: 104

UELISAVA: 35



STUDENTS BY GENDER

A. Women: 345 (76%)

B. Men: 106 (24%)

RECOGNISED TRAINING OF STUDENTS BY CENTRE

UVIC FACULTIES AND CENTRES

5,476

Education, Translation, Sport and Psychology: 2,031

Health Sciences and Welfare: 1,650

Business and Communication Studies: 719

Science, Technology and Engineering: 931

UVIC Professional Campus (Teknós and Kreas): 145

AFFILIATE CENTRES

2,095

BAU: 873

ESERP: 982

EADA: 240

CONTINUING EDUCATION STUDENTS AT UVIC-UCC

MASTER'S AND POSTGRADUATE DEGREES, AND UNIVERSITY EXPERT CERTIFICATES

2,670

UVIC: 971

UMANRESA: 320

UMEDICINA: 12

UELISAVA: 1,004

Affiliate centres

BAU: 283

ESERP: 80

STUDY ABROAD AND INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES

624

UVIC: 442

UELISAVA: 182

UMANRESA FACULTIES AND CENTRES

2,349

Health Sciences at Manresa: 1,921

Social Sciences at Manresa: 236

Professional Campus UMANRESA: 192

UMEDICINA FACULTY

649

Medicine: 649

UELISAVA FACULTY

826

Elisava Design and Engineering: 826

UVIC-UCC DOCTORAL COLLEGE

377

COURSES AND CONFERENCES

5,253

UVIC: 2,191

UMANRESA: 1,253

UMEDICINA: 1,362

UELISAVA: 447

LANGUAGE SCHOOL

1,947

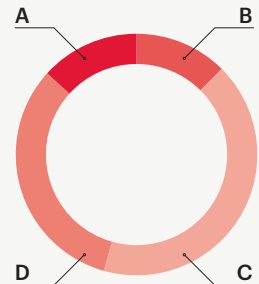
UVIC: 1,141

UMANRESA: 759

UELISAVA: 47

UVIC-UCC DOCTORAL COLLEGE

377



A. Experimental Sciences 50

- Bioinformatics: 7
- Experimental Sciences and Technology: 43

B. Humanities: 47

- Gender Studies: Cultures, Societies and Policies: 15
- Translation, Gender and Cultural Studies: 32

C. Medical and Health Sciences: 158

- Integrated Care and Health Services: 70
- Medicine and Biomedical Sciences: 88

D. Social Sciences: 122

- Sport and Human Movement Sciences: 27
- Design and Communication: 31
- Law, Economics and Business: 24
- Educational Innovation and Intervention: 40

INDUSTRIAL DOCTORATES

27

THESES DEFENDED

39

Teaching and research staff (PDI)

MEMBERS

1,690

UVIC FACULTIES AND CENTRES

960

Education, Translation, Sport and Psychology: 315

Health Sciences and Welfare: 254

Business and Communication Studies: 120

Science, Technology and Engineering: 168

Language School: 7

Research staff: 61

UVic Professional Campus*: 35

*Teaching staff exclusively on the Professional Campus; those working also at a teaching centre are included under that item.

UMANRESA FACULTIES AND CENTRES

394

Health Sciences at Manresa: 258

Social Sciences at Manresa: 82

Professional Campus UMANRESA*: 54

UMEDICINA FACULTY

243

Medicine: 243

UELISAVA FACULTY

93

Elisava Design and Engineering: 93

TEACHING STAFF BY GENDER

956 Women: 57%

UVIC: 555

UMANRESA: 239

UMEDICINA: 125

UELISAVA: 37

734 Men: 43%

UVIC: 405

UMANRESA: 155

UMEDICINA: 118

UELISAVA: 56

Service staff (PAS) and associated enterprise staff



MEMBERS

621

UVIC: 409

UMANRESA: 110

UMEDICINA: 24

UELISAVA: 72

Associated enterprises (Eumo Editorial and Eumo_dc): 6

SERVICE STAFF BY GENDER

455 Women: 73%

UVIC: 301

UMANRESA: 89

UMEDICINA: 19

UELISAVA: 41

Associated enterprises: 5

166 Men: 27%

UVIC: 108

UMANRESA: 21

UMEDICINA: 5

UELISAVA: 31

Associated enterprises: 1

Grants for recognised university training

GRANTS AWARDED

3,593

UVIC: 1,958

UMANRESA: 681

UMEDICINA: 419



One in three undergraduates receives a grant

UELISAVA: 178

Doctoral College: 47

Affiliate centres: 310

TOTAL GRANTS

€8,938,205

UVIC: €4,196,833.15

UMANRESA: €1,498,382.18

UMEDICINA: €1,233,348.10

UELISAVA: €346,317.40

Doctoral College: €702,283.99

Affiliate centres: €961,039.92

EXTERNAL FUNDING

INTERNAL FUNDING

MIXED FUNDING

€4,016,084.08

€156,952.81

€23,796.26

€1,377,645.81

€57,404.72

€63,331.65

€657,049.13

€576,298.97

€240,741.40

€105,576

€499,273.57

€203,010.42

€961,039.92

Grants and discounts

TOTALS

€3,457,907

UVIC: €1,135,156.78

UMANRESA: €149,069.24

UMEDICINA: €396,027.20

UELISAVA: €260,840.16

Doctoral College: €5,979.36

Affiliate centres: €1,510,834.58



Recognised qualifications

40 Bachelor's degrees

16 Master's degrees

10 Doctoral programmes

8 Higher vocational training (CFGs)

BACHELOR'S DEGREES

BIOSCIENCES

- Biology (UVic)
- Biomedicine* (UVic)
- Biotechnology (UVic)

COMMUNICATION

- Audiovisual Communication (UVic)
- Marketing and Business Communication* (UVic)
- Journalism (UVic)
- Advertising and Public Relations* (UVic)

DESIGN

- Design and Innovation (UElisava)
- Industrial Design Engineering* (UElisava)

EDUCATION

- Physical Education and Sports Sciences / Primary School Teaching, majoring in Physical Education* (UVic)
- Social Education (UVic)
- Early Childhood Education (UVic and UManresa)
- Early Childhood Education / Primary Education, majoring in English (Improvement plan) (UVic)
- Primary Education (UVic)

BUSINESS STUDIES

- Business Administration and Management (UVic and UManresa)
- Digital Society Management (UManresa)
- Marketing and Business Communication* (UVic)
- Advertising and Public Relations* (UVic)

ENGINEERING

- Industrial Design Engineering* (UElisava)
- Automotive Engineering (UVic)
- Mechatronics Engineering (UVic)
- Multimedia. Applications and Video Games (UVic)

SPORT

- Physical Education and Sports Sciences (UVic)
- Physical Education and Sports Sciences / Primary School Teaching, majoring in Physical Education* (UVic)

LANGUAGE AND TRANSLATION

- Translation, Interpreting and Applied Languages (UVic)

PSYCHOLOGY

- Psychology (UVic)

HEALTHCARE

- Biomedicine* (UVic)
- Nursing (UVic and UManresa)
- Physiotherapy (UVic and UManresa)
- Speech Therapy (interuniversity and blended learning) (UManresa)
- Medicine (UMedicina)
- Human Nutrition and Dietetics (on-site and blended learning) (UVic)
- Dentistry (UMedicina)
- Podiatry (blended learning) (UManresa)
- Occupational Therapy (on-site and blended learning) (UVic)
- General Audiology** (UMedicina)

AFFILIATE CENTRES

ARTS

- Fine Arts (BAU)

COMMUNICATION

- Advertising, Marketing and Public Relations* (ESERP)

DESIGN

- Design (BAU)

LAW

- Criminology (ESERP)
- Law (ESERP)

BUSINESS STUDIES

- International Business (ESERP)
- Advertising, Marketing and Public Relations* (ESERP)

*This degree is listed in two fields of knowledge.

**University-specific degree. Recognised degree from the 2024-2025 academic year.

RECOGNISED MASTER'S DEGREES

BIOSCIENCES

- Omics Data Analysis (on-site and online) (UVic)
- Biomedical Data Science (interuniversity and online) (UVic)

COMMUNICATION

- Interdisciplinary Studies in Design and Communication* (UElisava)

DESIGN

- Interdisciplinary Studies in Design and Communication* (UElisava)

EDUCATION

- Inclusive Education, Democracy and Cooperative Learning (online) (UVic)
- Teacher Training for Secondary School, Vocational Training and Language Teaching - specialised subjects: Physical Education / English / Catalan and Spanish Language and Literature / Music (blended learning) (UVic)
- Montessori Pedagogy (0-6 years) (blended learning) (UVic)

BUSINESS STUDIES

- Simulation Methods for Training Health and Social Science Professionals (blended learning)* (UManresa)

SOCIAL STUDIES

- Women, Gender and Citizenship Studies (inter-university) (on-site and online) (UVic)
- Social Policies and Community Action (inter-university and blended learning) (UVic)

LANGUAGE AND TRANSLATION

- Specialised Translation (*online*) (UVic)

PSYCHOLOGY

- General Healthcare Psychology (UVic)

HEALTHCARE

- Food and Sustainability (blended learning) (UVic)
- Physiotherapy of the Musculoskeletal System (blended learning) (UManresa)
- Simulation Methods for Training Health and Social Science Professionals (blended learning)* (UManresa)
- Health and Community (online) (UManresa)

AFFILIATE CENTRES

DESIGN

- Design Research and Experimentation (BAU)

BUSINESS STUDIES

- Business Management (EADA)

DOCTORAL PROGRAMMES

EXPERIMENTAL SCIENCES

- Bioinformatics
- Experimental Science and Technology

HUMANITIES

- Gender Studies: Culture, Society and Policies
- Translation, Gender and Cultural Studies

MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES

- Integrated Care and Health Services
- Medicine and Biomedical Sciences

SOCIAL SCIENCES

- Sport and Human Movement Sciences
- Design and Communication
- Law, Economics and Business
- Educational Innovation and Intervention

HIGHER VOCATIONAL TRAINING (CFGs)

ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT

- Management and Finance (UManresa)

COMMERCE AND MARKETING

- Marketing and Advertising (UVic-Teknós Granollers)
- International Trade (UManresa)

IMAGE AND SOUND

- 3D Animation, Games and Interactive Environments (UVic-Teknós)

FOOD INDUSTRIES

- Processes and Quality in Food Industries (UVic-Kreas Olot)

COMPUTING AND COMMUNICATIONS

- Multiplatform Application Development (UVic-Teknós)

HEALTHCARE

- Dental Prostheses (UManresa)

SOCIOCULTURAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

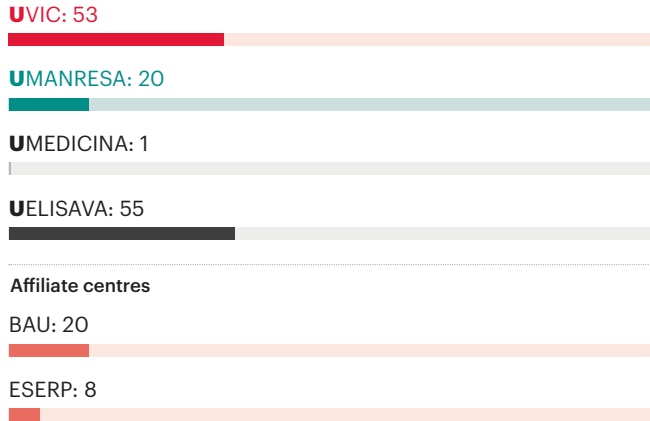
- Early Childhood Education (UManresa)

*This degree is listed in two fields of knowledge.

Continuing education

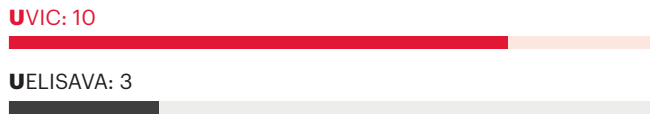
MASTER'S AND POSTGRADUATE DEGREES, AND UNIVERSITY EXPERT CERTIFICATES

157



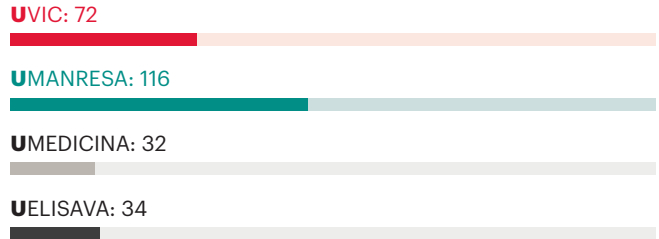
STUDY ABROAD AND INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES

13



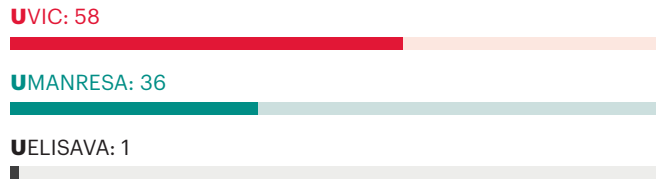
COURSES AND CONFERENCES

254



LANGUAGE COURSES

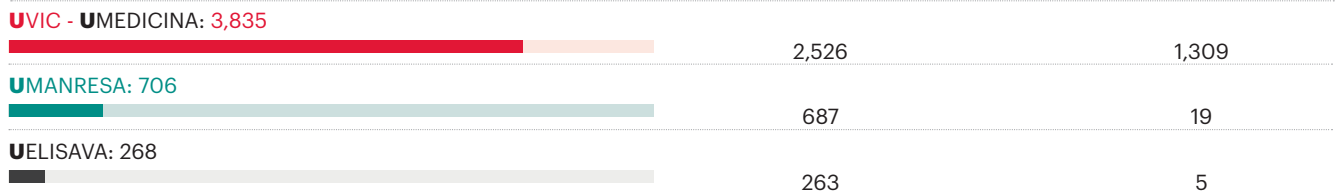
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Academic practicums

COMPANIES WITH AGREEMENTS

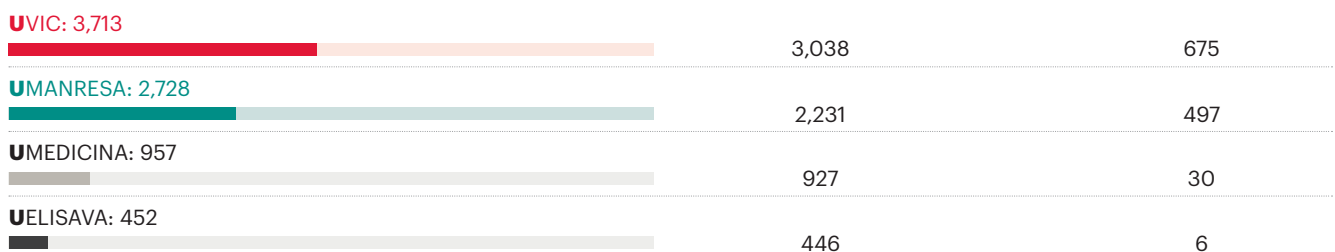
4,809



PRACTICUMS

Including recognised degree and continuing education practicums

7,850



Research and knowledge transfer



MEMBERS OF RESEARCH GROUPS

613

UVIC: 509

UMANRESA: 47

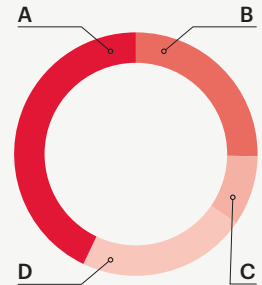
UMEDICINA: 31

UELISAVA: 16

Affiliate centres

BAU: 10

STAFF BY FIELD



A. Arts and Humanities, Social Sciences: 263

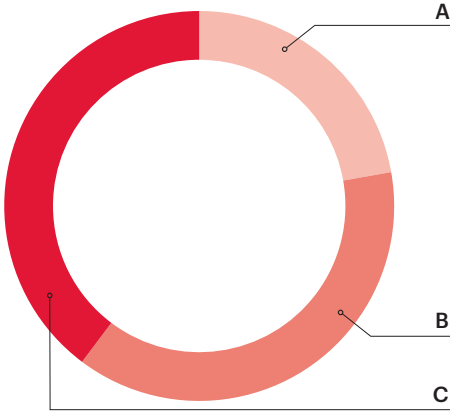
B. Sciences: 155

C. Engineering: 57

D. Health: 13

CONTRACTS LINKED TO RESEARCH

239



A. Pre-doctoral researchers: 52

B. Postdoctoral researchers: 89

C. Research support professionals: 98

STAFF BY SEX

Men: 251

41

Women: 362

59

COORDINATORS BY GENDER

25

Men: 12

48%

Women: 13

52%

KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER AGREEMENTS

GRANTS

128

UVIC: 126

UMANRESA: 2

KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER AGREEMENTS (EUROS)

€2,036,018

UVIC: €2,021,017.77

UMANRESA: €15,000

FUNDING AWARDED IN PUBLIC COMPETITION

€12,159,816

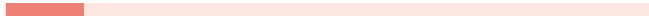
UVIC: €11,802,817,18



GOVERNMENT OF CATALONIA: €732,558.48



GOVERNMENT OF SPAIN: €1,458,292.17



EUROPE: €9,611,966.53



UMANRESA: €35,681.80



GOVERNMENT OF SPAIN: €35,681.80



UELISAVA: €321,317



GOVERNMENT OF SPAIN: €179,817



EUROPE: €141,500



SCIENTIFIC PRODUCTION IN INDEXED JOURNALS

522

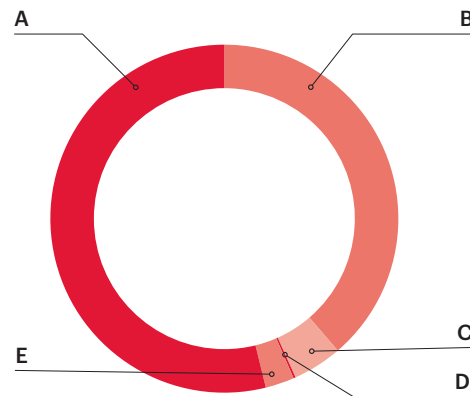
A. JCR-WoS: 281 53.8%

B. SCOPUS: 202 38.7%

C. ESCI: 24 4.6%

D. AHCI: 1 0.2%

E. CARHUS: 14 2.7%



RESEARCH GROUPS, RESEARCH CENTRES

25 recognised
research groups

16 chairs

6 research and knowledge
transfer centres

1 research
institute

RESEARCH GROUPS

ARTS AND HUMANITIES, SOCIAL SCIENCES

- Gender Studies: Translation, Literature, History and Communication (GETLIHC)
- Attention to Diversity (GRAD)
- Data Analysis and Modelling (DAM)
- Design and Social Transformation (GREDITS)
- Emprèn
- Sport and Physical Activity (GREAF)
- Research Group in Knowledge Construction (GRECC)
- Research Group in Applied Linguistics, Didactics and Literature (GLOSSA)
- Educational Research (GREUV)
- Society, Politics and Inclusive Communities (SoPCI)
- Sport, Exercise and Human Movement (SEaHM)
- Audiovisual Translation, Communication and Territory (TRACTE)

SCIENCES

- Biodiversity, Ecology, Technology and Environmental Management (BETA)
- Bioinformatics and Bioimaging (BI-SQUARED)
- Aquatic Ecology (GEA)
- Mechanisms of Disease Lab (MODLAB)
- Tissue Repair and Regeneration (TR2Lab)

HEALTHCARE

- Research Group in Epidemiology and Public Health in the Digital Health Context (Epi4Health)
- Research Group Transformative Innovation and Simulation (GRITS)
- Innovation in Mental Health and Social Welfare (ISaMBeS)
- Methodology, Methods, Models, and Health and Social Outcomes (M₃O)

ENGINEERING

- Digital Care (DC)
- Mechatronics and Modelling for Materials Technology (MECAMAT)
- Human, Information, Materials, Technology, Society (HIMTS)
- Data Processing and Signals (TDS)

CHAIRS

- Palliative Care
- Social Services
- ICT and Social Health
- UNESCO Chair in Women, Development and Cultures
- Verdaguer Chair in Literary Studies
- Water, Nature and Welfare
- Infectious Diseases and Immunity
- Bioethics
- Agroecology and Food Systems
- Mental Health
- Simulation and Patient Safety
- Medical Education
- Health and Population
- Rural World
- Marketing Lluís Bassat
- Leadership in Values

RESEARCH AND KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER CENTRES

- Centre for Interdisciplinary Gender Studies (CEIG)
- Centre for Health and Social Care Research (CESS)
- Technology Centre for Biodiversity, Ecology, Technology and Environmental Management (CT BETA) - TECNIO centre
- Centre for Sport and Physical Activity Studies (CEEAF)
- Centre for Research in Education (CRED)
- Mediterranean Rivers Study Centre (CERM)

RESEARCH INSTITUTE

- The Institute for Research and Innovation in Life Sciences and Health in Central Catalonia (IRIS-CC) was formally launched on 1 June 2022.

International Campus

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ON RECOGNISED UVIC-UCC COURSES

1,839 internationally recruited

15% internationally recruited

79 countries

BACHELOR'S DEGREES

1,465

UVIC: 653

UMANRESA: 614

UMEDICINA: 50

UELISAVA: 50

Affiliate centres

BAU: 43

ESERP: 55

MASTER'S DEGREES

291

UVIC: 47

UMANRESA: 1

UELISAVA: 4

Affiliate centres

BAU: 12

EADA: 227

DOCTORAL PROGRAMMES

69

UVIC-UCC: 69

HIGHER VOCATIONAL TRAINING (CFGS)

14

UVIC: 8

UMANRESA: 6



MOBILITY AND EXCHANGES

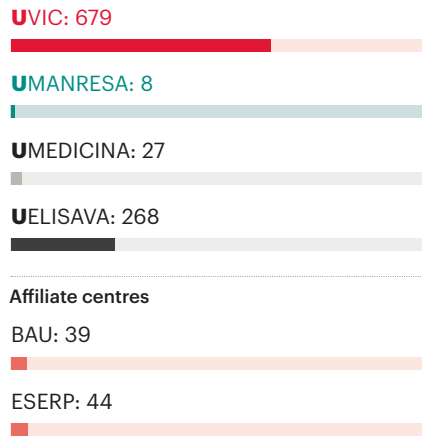


INCOMING MOBILITY

1,150

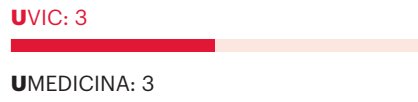
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MOBILITY

1,065



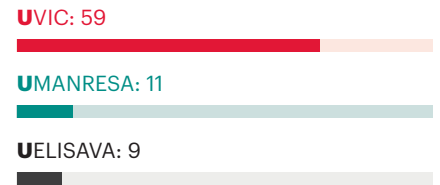
STUDENT MOBILITY FROM SPAIN

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TEACHING AND SERVICE STAFF MOBILITY

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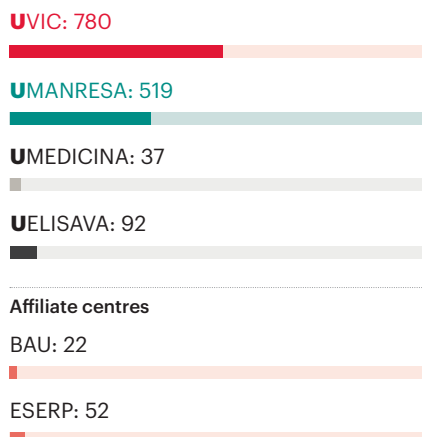


OUTGOING MOBILITY

1,699

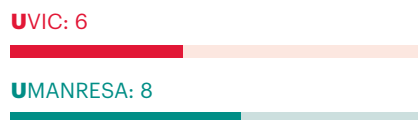
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MOBILITY

1,502



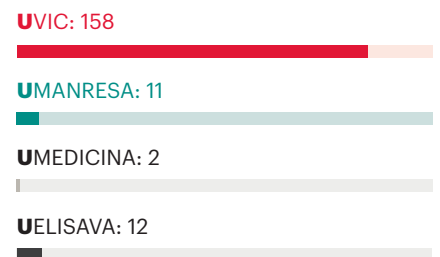
STUDENT MOBILITY TO SPAIN

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TEACHING AND SERVICE STAFF MOBILITY

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Presence in rankings

INTERNATIONAL RANKINGS 2024



International
#800-1,000

Spain
#17-35



International
#251-300

Spain
#17-21



Health Sciences
#601-800

Education
#501-600

Health Sciences
#501-600

Social Sciences
#601-800



European universities
#531-540

European universities - Southern Europe
#120



Human Biological Sciences
#301-400

SUSTAINABILITY RANKINGS 2024



International
#601-800

Spain
#41



International
#1,201

Spain
#117

SPANISH RANKINGS 2024



Global
#14



Global
#6



Governing bodies

BALMES UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Albert Castells Vilalta

Mayor of Vic, Chair

Joaquim Nadal Farreras

Minister for Research and Universities, first vice-president

Marc Aloy Guàrdia

Chair of FUBages, Second Vice-Chair

Maria Victòria Girona Brumós

General Director of Universities

Josep Ribas Seix

Expert in University Policy of the General Directorate of Universities

Ivan Sánchez Rodríguez

Mayor of Berga

Arnau Rovira Martínez

Mayor of Manlleu

Josep Berga Vayreda

Mayor of Olot

Sílvia Orriols Serra

Mayor of Ripoll

Marçal Ortuño Jolis

Mayor of Torelló

Jordi Gassió Borràs

Mayor of Puigcerdà

Jordi Bruch Franch

Mayor of Prats de Lluçanès

Jordi Rotllant Cors

Mayor of Sant Hilari Sacalm

Alba Barnusell Ortuño

Mayor of Granollers

Jordi Masquef Creus

Mayor of Figueres

Elisenda Carrera Comerma

Councillor, Vic City Council

Arnau Martí Danés

Councillor, Vic City Council

Josep Pou Regidor

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