



The University of Barcelona in Figures

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Founded in 1450, the University of Barcelona is this year commemorating its 575th anniversary. It continues to set a benchmark for quality in education, science and knowledge and remains committed and accountable to wider society. The UB's status as a leading higher education institution, recognized by numerous external organizations and bodies, is grounded in quality and innovation in teaching, research, good governance and ethical integrity, as well as the integration of social responsibility into all its areas of activity.

The new Statute of the UB, drafted through a participatory process involving the entire university community, is currently being finalized. It will provide a modern legal framework for the institution that aligns perfectly with the needs of the present, as well as projecting the University into the future and bolstering its role as a key driver of development and social transformation.

The UB is also moving forward in the area of infrastructures, in particular as it continues to roll out the Diagonal Health Axis project. Encompassing the new UB Clínic Health Campus, the new Faculty of Pharmacy and the MIES initiative, the Diagonal Health Axis will become the most important hub for research, knowledge and clinical care in Europe, providing a nexus for collaboration between the UB and leading health institutions such as the Clínic, Bellvitge and Sant Joan de Déu hospitals.

As a research institution, the UB continues to achieve outstanding results, securing total funding in excess of 200 million euros and registering 7,768 scientific publications. In the area of studies, the broad and multidisciplinary course offering has again attracted an exceptionally large number of learners, with total student numbers exceeding 60,000 this year.

This document provides a detailed overview of the main activities carried out over the course of the 2024–2025 academic year in the areas of teaching, research, knowledge transfer and internationalization, as well as key data on the University's structure, activities and services.



Joan Guàrdia Olmos
Rector

COURSE OFFERING

74 bachelor's degrees
15 dual study pathways
170 university master's degrees
47 doctoral programmes
1,147 postgraduate courses
1,157 lifelong learning courses (IL3)

STUDENTS

41,020 bachelor's degree students
5,622 university master's degree students
5,238 trainee researchers
11,920¹ postgraduate students
41,216 lifelong learning students (IL3)

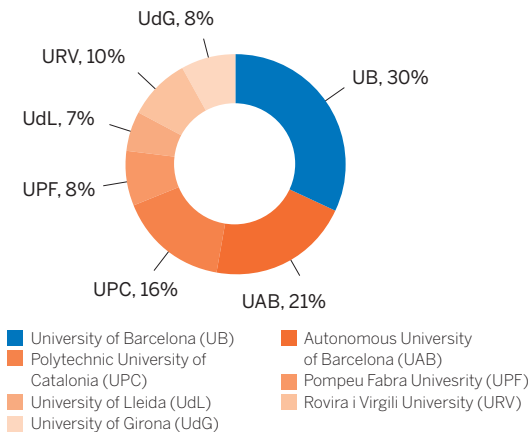
¹ Provisional data.



31% of **first-preference applications** for places at the UB

1.7% of **demand ratio** for places at the UB

BACHELOR'S DEGREE STUDENTS IN THE CATALAN PUBLIC UNIVERSITY SYSTEM



17 faculties

59 departments and **1** training and research unit

16 libraries

10 affiliated centres

666,990 sq m of constructed area

€529,466,925 total budget

€196,032,009 research funding secured

6,479 teachers and researchers

2,669 technical, management, and administrative and service staff

Figures for the academic year 2024–2025.
Some of the figures in this document are subject to final confirmation.



149

Global position



160

Global position



193

Global position



82

Global position

Employment rate in year of graduation:

86% of bachelor's degree graduates

90% of university master's degree graduates

TEACHING INNOVATION, ASSESSMENT AND IMPROVEMENT

Consolidated teaching innovation groups	97
Active teaching improvement and innovation projects	226
Members of the UB community involved in active teaching innovation projects	1,901
PDI registered for teaching assessment	442

FURTHER TRAINING AND OTHER STUDENTS

		% women
University extension courses for older learners	3,264	73.0
Els Juliols summer courses	728	62.0
School of Modern Languages	3,361	64.5
Hispanic Studies	3,624	57.6
Gaudir UB	5,341	62.0
Institute for Professional Development (IDP)	16,314	70.0
Language Services (Catalan language courses)	1,494	67.7
University of Experience	2,149	60.4

14,135 External academic placements



Times Higher Education
Impact Rankings

24 Global position
Impact for quality education

TEACHING STAFF RATINGS

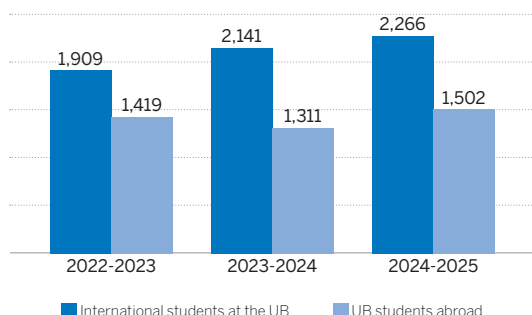


INTERNATIONALIZATION

Agreements with universities and other institutions outside Spain	3,027
Active Erasmus+ projects	50
Student nationalities	128 ¹
International students	11,453 ¹
International teaching and research staff	501

¹ Provisional data.

STUDENT EXCHANGES UNDER MOBILITY PROGRAMMES



35% international students in university master's degrees

33% doctoral students from international education systems

FACULTIES

	Bachelor's degrees ¹					University master's degrees ³				PDI
	Courses offered ²	New students	Total students	Full-time-equivalent students	Graduates (2023–2024)	Courses offered	New students	Total students	Graduates (2023–2024)	Teaching and research staff
Faculty	61	10,092	41,020	36,342	7,263	158	3,711	5,622	3,238	6,479
Biology	6	513	1,961	1,821	404	16	363	466	353	394
Chemistry	3	348	1,517	1,297	242	12	175	241	159	279
Earth Sciences	2	129	398	361	80	4	59	79	37	101
Economics and Business	5	1,626	6,746	6,034	1,060	18	374	616	303	651
Education	5	1,300	5,556	4,940	1,252	15	710	921	555	643
Fine Arts	3	413	1,604	1,439	236	3	46	79	27	235
Geography and History	5	680	2,701	2,162	337	12	286	575	268	298
Information and Audiovisual Media	2	155	584	449	101	6	99	150	73	88
Law	6	1,279	5,176	4,482	918	12	282	514	255	434
Mathematics and Computer Science	2	237	1,123	827	189	5	59	86	44	134
Medicine and Health Sciences	5	627	2,783	2,722	495	8	287	338	274	1,373
Nursing	1	532	1,796	1,743	341	2	52	86	68	408
Pharmacy and Food Science	3	538	2,503	2,298	427	6	141	151	164	402
Philology and Communication	10	827	2,848	2,604	484	9	181	308	126	329
Philosophy	1	209	691	569	98	6	103	177	82	76
Physics	2	240	1,087	885	180	13	204	328	190	293
Psychology	1	439	1,946	1,710	419	10	246	399	201	341
% women	—	65.6	65.5	66.1	66.8	—	60.6	62.1	61.6	50.4
UB-affiliated centres	14	1,261	4,036	3,761	854	12	368	459	350	350

¹ Includes data from the UB-specific degree in Private Investigation, taught at the Faculty of Law.

² Includes data from the bachelor's degree in Biomedical Sciences, taught at the Faculty of Biology and the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences.

³ Includes the CHARM-EU master's degree and enrolled students.



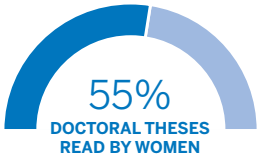
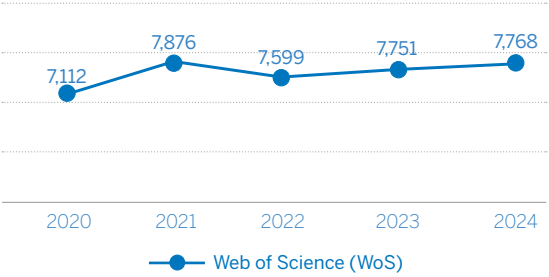
Subject	Global position
Arts and Humanities	83
Life Sciences and Medicine	55
Natural Sciences	79
Social Sciences and Management	107
Engineering and Technology	137

RESEARCH FUNDING SECURED

Research funding secured through competitive and non-competitive channels (thousands of euros)

Total funding	196,032
Research projects	60,848
Other actions	30
Grants for human resources	22,614
Other grants	10,846
Infrastructure projects	4,643
Bosch i Gimpera Foundation (FBG) and other research contracts	11,828
Services provided by the Science and Technology Centres (CCiTUB) to other institutions	3,052
Funding secured by UB researchers at institutions with UB participation	82,171

INDEXED SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS



241 research groups

745 doctoral theses read

1,443 active research projects

5,238 trainee researchers

KNOWLEDGE AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

FBG contracts	632
License agreements	10
Research spin-offs	1
Patent applications	165
Invention disclosures	51

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Projects incubated in StartUB!	59
Start-ups created	22
People receiving training in innovation and entrepreneurship	1,123

RESEARCH STAFF

		% women
Teaching staff engaged in research	2,559	47.9
Senior researchers ¹	120	35.8
Junior researchers ²	27	33.3
Postdoctoral researchers ³	223	47.5
Trainee predoctoral researchers	722	48.9
Research technicians/assistants	702	59.5
FBG researchers	338	54.7
FBG research technicians/assistants	116	67.2

¹ Includes CIBER, ICREA and Ramón y Cajal researchers and other groups.

² Includes Beatriz Galindo, Beatriu de Pinós and other researchers.

³ Includes Margarita Salas, Juan de la Cierva and Marie Skłodowska-Curie researchers and other groups.



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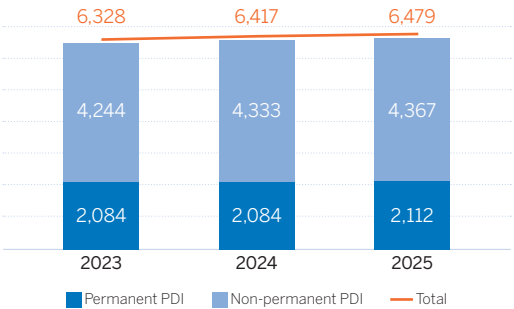
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TEACHING AND RESEARCH STAFF (PDI)

		% women
Total PDI	6,479	50.4
Full professors	564	35.1
Associate professors (<i>titular</i>)	636	44.0
Associate professors (<i>agregat</i>)	877	50.4
Assistant professors	478	55.4
Adjunct professors	2,019	52.5
Adjunct medical professors	960	57.6
Substitute professors	486	54.7
Other ¹	459	43.8
PDI with permanent affiliation ²	2,112	44.6
Full-time-equivalent PDI	4,118	49.7

¹ Includes permanent collaborating teaching staff, visiting professors, distinguished professors, emeritus professors and teaching staff with research responsibilities.
² Includes statutory PDI (full professors and associate professors [*titular* and *agregat*]), permanent collaborating professors and non-statutory full professors.

TEACHING AND RESEARCH STAFF (PDI)



TECHNICAL, MANAGEMENT, AND ADMINISTRATIVE AND SERVICE STAFF (PTGAS)

		% women
Total PTGAS	2,669	64.3
Statutory PTGAS	1,204	77.4
Non-statutory and temporary PTGAS	1,465	53.4

PDI AND PTGAS: PERCENTAGE WOMEN



0.41 PTGAS/PDI ratio

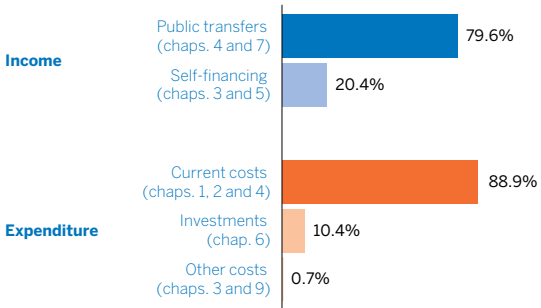
SERVICES

Reading desks in libraries	6,683
Students with special educational needs receiving support	1,740
Hours of sign language interpreting offered to students	2,440
Students with a collaboration grant in a UB service or faculty	459
Participants in career guidance activities	7,753
UB Alumni members	14,181
UB Sports users	21,627
Direct beneficiaries of activities of the UB Solidarity Foundation	7,908

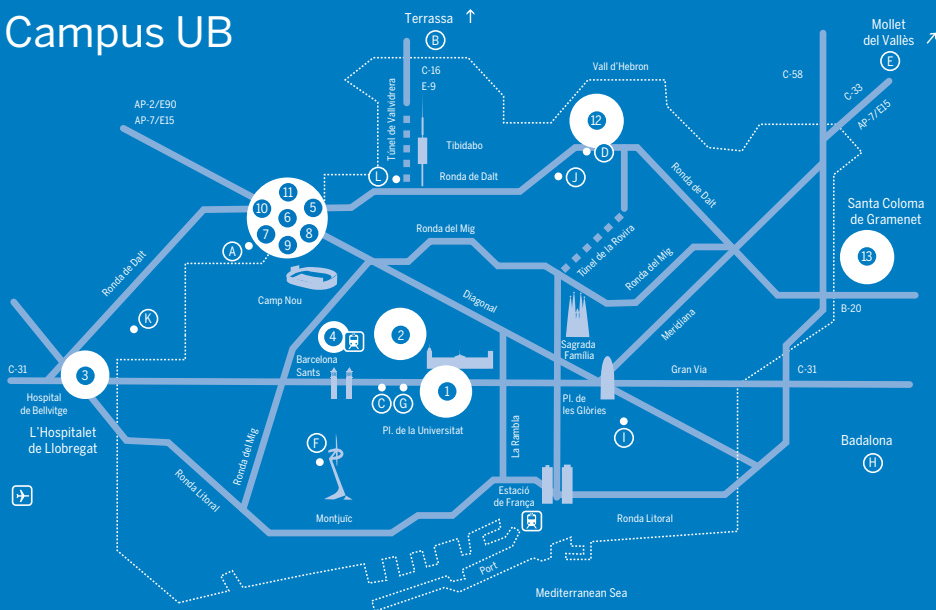
CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Visitors attending guided tours	2,897
Concerts in the Season of Music at the UB	11
Collections in the UB's Virtual Museum	33

BUDGET 2025



Campus UB



- 1** Plaça Universitat Campus and Raval Campus
- Faculty of Geography and History
 - Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science
 - Faculty of Philology and Communication
 - Faculty of Philosophy
 - Institute of Hispanic Studies
 - Rector's Office, General Manager's Office and general services

- 2** Clinic Campus
- Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences
 - Faculty of Nursing
 - Hospital Clínic de Barcelona

- 3** Bellvitge Campus
- Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences
 - Faculty of Nursing
 - Bellvitge University Hospital

- 4** Sants Campus
- Faculty of Information Science and Audiovisual Media
 - General services

- Diagonal Campus**
- 5** ■ Faculty of Economics and Business
 - Faculty of Law
 - 6** ■ Faculty of Biology
 - Faculty of Chemistry
 - Faculty of Earth Sciences
 - Faculty of Fine Arts
 - Faculty of Pharmacy and Food Science
 - Faculty of Physics
 - Science and Technology Centres
 - 7** ■ Barcelona Science Park
 - 8** ■ Penyafort-Montserrat Hall of Residence
 - Yugo Aleu University Residence
 - 9** ■ Pavelló Rosa (general services)
 - 10** ■ Sports
 - 11** ■ Student Support Service (SAE)
 - Florensa classrooms and general services

- 12** Mundet Campus
- Faculty of Education
 - Faculty of Psychology
 - Institute for Professional Development (IDP)

- 13** Torribera Campus
- Faculty of Pharmacy and Food Science

- A** ■ School of New Interactive Technologies (ENTI)
- B** ■ School of Cinema and Audiovisual Studies of Catalonia (ESCAC)
- C** ■ School of Public Relations (ESRP)
- D** ■ Barcelona School of Tourism, Hospitality and Gastronomy CETT
- E** ■ Institute of Public Safety of Catalonia (ISPC)
- F** ■ National Institute of Physical Education of Catalonia (INEFC)
- G** ■ Alumni
- Doctoral School
- School of Modern Languages (EIM)
- H** ■ El Carme Cultural Center
- I** ■ Institute for Lifelong Learning (IL3)
- J** ■ Centre for International Historical Studies (CEHI)
- K** ■ Barcelona Culinary Hub (BCH)
- L** ■ CEI International Affairs
- Doctors' Senate
- Pedro i Pons Estate
- Ombuds Officer

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