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Fact Sheet





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10 reasons to study in **Bilbao**

Business and cultural city

It is the largest business and cultural city in Northern Spain, with a booming industrial development in the past. Nowadays, Bilbao enjoys a quality of life that is way over the average in the whole country

Guggenheim Museum

The Guggenheim Bilbao Museum has been the flagship project of a spectacular facelifting process that turned the c ity into an architectural point of reference. Designed by the renowned American architect Frank Gehry and opened in the fall of 1997, the titanium building is as aesthetically valuable as the treasures of contemporary art it contains.

Busting cultural life

The Convention and Music Hall Center, together with the Guggenheim-Bilbao Museum, has greatly contributed to the relaunching of a city with a bustling cultural life. The city organizes a vast array of cultural events, such as concerts, opera, theater plays, movie festivals...

Tradition and modernism

Bilbao's identity, a mixture of old tradition and modern ways, also rests on other features that make living in the city a **unique experience**, such as the coexistence of **Spanish**, the major native language, with the **Basque language**, a cultural and anthropological treasure of unknown origin maintained over the centuries.

Rural valleys and natural parks

Located on the banks of the estuary of river Nervion, Bilbao is also surrounded

by **beautiful green mountains**. Nearby rural valleys, mountain ranges, and natural parks provide hikers plenty of opportunities to enjoy.

Beaches only at about a 30'

Sunbathers and surfers will find the nearest beaches only at about a 30'-subway or bus ride away from the city center. The best left wave in Europe can actually be found in Mundaka, a coastal village located at about 40' from Bilbao.

Regional cuisine

The Basque Country is **internationally recognized** for its regional cuisine, which can be experienced in the many cafes, bars and restaurants spread around the city. A local habit is to taste **pintxos or tapas** with a good glass of wine.

Excellent transportation network

The city offers an excellent transportation network: the safe award-winning subway network, designed by Norman Foster, an efficient city bus service, a new environment-friendly tramway service, an international airport, highways, intercity buses, train services... are all part of a network that makes moving within and outside of Bilbao an easy task.

Local and International shops

Both its lively Old Quarter and its downtown avenues host a good combination of local and international shops and boutiques, the perfect scenario for shoppers.

Strategically convenient location

Due to its strategically convenient location, Bilbao has become a south gate to Europe. The new **international airport** is located only **10 km**./6 miles **away from the city center**, and connects the city to major European cities such as Paris, Rome, London, Frankfurt, Lisbon, or Brussels. Bilbao is also close to the French border and Pyrenees ski resorts.



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Nomination deadlines and other information		
Please send nominations your nominations through our <u>UD Nomination Form here</u> .		
Fall semester and full year students	01/05/2020	
Spring semester	01/10/2020	
DEADLINE FOR SENDING ON-LINE UD FORM AN	D COMPULSORY DOCUMENTS	
Fall semester and full year students	15/05/2020	
Spring semester	15/10/2020	
Accommodation Application deadlines (more information)		
Fall semester and full year students	15/06/2020	
Spring semester	15/11/2020	
APPLICATION PROCEDURE		

Once the nomination is received, it will be confirmed if appropriate and, in due time, the Officer will directly contact the student with all relevant information and instructions on how to fill out the on-line UD form and what documents are to be provided before arrival:

- Copy of legal ID card or passport
- Copy of European Health Insurance Card (only for EU citizens) and of private insurance (all students). See below INSURANCE INFORMATION
- Home Institution's statement of the student's participation in the mobility to UD: a confirmation letter indicating that the student has been selected to our university
- Passport-sized photograph with white background saved as jpg file named with student's name and surname
- If relevant, provisional Learning Agreement signed by student and Home University coordinators
- In case of Special Needs, certificate or medical report stating diagnosis



Course restrictions/requirements

Students have to ordinarily register for at least 30 ECTS credits per semester

Language and other requirements

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

No official certificate is required. Students should have enough knowledge of either Spanish or English to follow lessons and sit exams

- In general, minimum B1, although a B2 is strongly recommended
- A B2 in either language is compulsory for Engineering degrees
- A B2 or C1 is compulsory for some courses from the Modern Languages degree

It is strongly advised that, if the student does not speak any Spanish, they at least take the Intensive Spanish Course we offer before the semester begins. Otherwise no course for absolute beginners can be guaranteed for the regular course. Both courses are free of charge (except learning materials).

If the student is not ready to take courses in Spanish, please check our academic offer in English and make sure before they come that there are enough courses for them to take in order to avoid possible future problematic situations regarding this issue.

MASTER & PhD STUDENTS

Each master or PhD programme might have a different language requirement, but a C1 in the language of tuition is usually required. Please check with us if you need any further information. Permission for acceptance must be forwarded to the director of the programme who might also require further documents such as Transcript of Records to decide on the acceptance of the exchange student.



Academic year dates for 2020/21

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Fall Semester		
Classes	4 September, 2020 – 16 December, 2020	
Exams: 1st part of ordinary session 2nd part of ordinary session Re-sit exams:	17 December, 2020 – 22 December, 2020 7 January, 2021 – 16 January, 2021 25 January, 2021 – 5 February, 2021	
Spring semester		
Classes:	8 February, 2021 – 26 May, 2021	
Exams:	27 May, 2021 – June 11, 2021	
Re-sit exams:	19 June, 2021 – 29 June, 2021	
Compulsory Orientation Days		
Fall semester: Spring semester:	3 & 4 September 2020 4 & 5 February 2021	



Possibility to attend courses from different departments

3 out of 5 courses a student should ordinarily register MUST belong to the nomination degree, but it is possible to register courses from different departments.

Spanish Courses

(dates might be subject to change)

Fall semester

Intensive course (3 ECTS credits): placement test 24 August 2020

- Course begins: 25 August 2020

- Course ends: 5 September 2020 (Saturday)

Regular course (6 ECTS credits): placement test 2 September 2020

Course begins: 8 September 2020Course ends: 16 December 2020

Spring semester

Intensive course: placement test 25 January 2021

- Course begins 26 January 2021
- Course ends 5 January 2021

Regular course: placement test 3 February 2021

- Course begins 9 February 2021
- Course ends 26 May 2021

Basque Course

(only basic levels) (dates might be subject to change)

Fall semester

9 September 2020 - 12 December 2020

Spring semester

10 February 2021 - 21 May 2021



Course Catalogue

UD COURSE CATALOGUE

BEGOÑAKO ANDRA MARI TEACHER TRAINING UNIVERSITY COLLEGE (Primary Education)

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Please bear in mind that the academic offer might undergo some changes
***Some of the courses published on the webpage now might not be available next year

Welcome Guide (click here)

Insurance Information

*** STUDENTS WITH EUROPEAN HEALTH INSURANCE CARD (USUALLY ONLY EUROPEAN CITIZENS):

Besides arranging a valid European Health Insurance Card, the student <u>must</u> also arrange a private insurance policy that covers the following areas:

- Wherever relevant, travel insurance (including damage or loss of luggage)
- Third party liability (including, wherever appropriate, professional indemnity or insurance for responsibility)
- Accident and serious illness (including permanent or temporary incapacity)
- Death (including repatriation in case of projects carried out abroad)

*** STUDENTS WITHOUT A EUROPEAN HEALTH INSURANCE CARD (USUALLY STUDENTS FROM OUTSIDE EUROPE):

Students <u>must</u> arrange a private insurance policy which must be a health and accident insurance and it must also cover the following areas:

- Wherever relevant, travel insurance (including damage or loss of luggage)
- Third party liability (including, wherever appropriate, professional indemnity or insurance for responsibility);
- Accident and serious illness (including permanent or temporary incapacity)
- Death (including repatriation in case of projects carried out abroad)

We offer students the possibility to arrange an insurance through our <u>Insurance Area</u>. This insurance offers coverage for all the above mentioned areas, except for the travel insurance. For further information on this policy please contact seguros@deusto.es.

