

DOCTORAL PROGRAMS

Primatology

Identificative data of the program

Code	HOMO3
Denomination	Primatology
Areas of the program	Humanitats Ciències Mèdiques i de la Salut Ciències Socials Ciències de la Vida
Maximum number of students	10
URL of the program	http://www.ub.edu/comporta/primatologia.html

Coordinator

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Training period

UB master/s which is/are partially or totally integrated in this period:

Master

Primatologia	Total
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Research period

General objectives of the program

The aim of the Doctorate Programme in Primatology is to train students on the research of primate behaviour, biology and evolution. The programme provides a continual update of knowledge and development of both field and laboratory research abilities that are common in Primatology.

Procedimientos, requisitos y criterios específicos de admisión al programa, así como de valoración de los méritos de las personas candidatas.

For admission to the Doctorate Programme, applicants must show they have suitable training in the subject areas of the research lines in which they plan to work. Having earned the Master in Primatology will be considered a priority for enrolling in the Doctorate in Primatology. However, other training will be considered when possible. In any case, students must have taken the research practice module (20 ECTS credits minimum) from the Master in Primatology.

Complements específics de formació en recerca, a cursar en màsters de la UB, que es considerin necessaris i activitats que hauran de seguir-se durant el període de recerca (seminaris, cursos metodològics o altres activitats formatives programades)

The Master in Primatology is the priority studies programme to gain admittance to the Doctorate Programme in Primatology. The Master is structured in four specific modules (one compulsory module and three optional modules), a research practicum module and a professional practicum module. Each specific module is made up of one or two compulsory subjects and two or four optional ones, depending on the module. The specific optional modules are made up of three interdisciplinary perspectives from which it is possible to study primates. Total number of credits offered is 110 ECTS; students must take a minimum of 60 ECTS credits.

Specific modules:

Fundamentals of Primatology Research (compulsory). Credits: 20 ECTS. Subjects:

- Primate Biology. Compulsory, 5 ECTS
- Measurement and Statistics. Compulsory, 5 ECTS
- Perspectives on Primatology. Optional, 2.5 ECTS
- Principles of Primate Evolution and Diversification. Optional, 2.5 ECTS
- Planning a Research Project. Optional, 2.5 ECTS

- Behavioural Analysis. Optional, 2.5 ECTS

Human Evolution (optional). Credits: 10 ECTS. Subjects:

- Principles of Human Evolution. Compulsory, 5 ECTS
- Evolutionary Biology of Hominids. Optional, 2.5 ECTS
- Human Origins. Optional, 2.5 ECTS

Primate Ethology (optional). Credits: 20 ECTS. Subjects:

- Primate Psychology: Cognitive Skills. Compulsory, 5 ECTS
- Primate Behaviour in their Environment. Compulsory, 5 ECTS
- Comparative Primatology. Optional, 2.5 ECTS
- Primate Conservation. Optional, 2.5 ECTS
- Sexual Behaviour and Reproduction in Primates. Optional, 2.5 ECTS
- Communication in Primates. Optional, 2.5 ECTS

Adaptive Behaviour (optional). Credits: 20 ECTS. Subjects:

- Principles of Adaptive Behaviour. Compulsory, 5 ECTS
- Analysis of Social Systems. Compulsory, 5 ECTS
- Simulation of Cognitive Processes. Optional, 2.5 ECTS
- Computer Modelling of Adaptive Behaviour. Optional, 2.5 ECTS
- Learning and Perception Processes. Optional, 2.5 ECTS
- Artificial Neural Networks. Optional, 2.5 ECTS

Practice modules:

Research Practicum. Optional (compulsory for students to be enrolled in the Doctorate Programme). Credits: 20 ECTS.

Content: In this module, students prepare a tutored research project that is done in one of the departments of the professors participating in the Master. This project consists of an original research project focusing on any of the research lines connected to the Master. After completing the project, the student defends it before a jury of professors in the Master's programme. This final research project is prepared with the idea of expanding it into a doctoral thesis.

Professional Practicum. Optional. Credits: 20 ECTS.

Content: In this module, students collaborate with a professional who works outside the university and are tutored by one of the professors in the Master's programme. This practical course is offered in companies, institutions and foundations related to the conservation, habitat, evolution and behaviour of primates, such as zoos, nature reserves, foundations that work on recovering and reintroducing primates in the wild, and other international institutions. This collaboration with institutions and companies is carried out through specific agreements.

Duration of the Master's Degree Programme: minimum, 1 academic year (full time); maximum, 2 academic years (part time).

Offered research lines, teachers and researchers and registering centers

[+] 100141 Evolución humana

[+] 100143 Etología de los primates

[+] 100144 Conducta adaptativa

General information

Procedimientos para la admisión y el seguimiento del proyecto de tesis

The doctorate programme's committee will consider the profile of each student and, if necessary, will contact him/her to arrange an interview. Students will be assigned to one of the research lines of the programme, and will have to submit a research project (in agreement with their adviser). The progress of the work will be evaluated annually by asking the students to deliver a report about the current state of their dissertation (with their adviser's approval), specifically about the contributions or publications prepared or submitted by the students during that period. The programme's committee will evaluate both the initial project and the annual reports.

Procesos administrativos (plazos y procedimientos de preinscripción) y otros datos de interés para el estudiante sobre el programa.

Pre-enrolment in the Doctorate Programme in Primatology:

- . From September 1st to October 31st.
- . Decision: November 15th.

Applicants must send the following documents in order to pre-enrol:

- . Updated curriculum vitae
- . Motivation letter
- . Photocopy of Passport/Identity card/NIE
- . Photocopy of academic degree certificate (graduate and undergraduate studies)
- . Photocopy of academic transcripts (graduate and undergraduate studies)
- . Copies of academic degree certificates and transcripts that are submitted by foreign students must be officially translated into Spanish by the appropriate diplomatic channel.

Documentation must be sent to:

Facultad de Psicología - UB
Campus Mundet
Secretaría - Edificio Poniente. Planta baja
Paseo del Valle de Hebrón, 171
08035 - Barcelona
Office hours: Monday to Friday 9.30 to 13.30

The Doctorate Programme Committee will answer all applicants and inform them about the academic and administrative registration procedures.

Procedimientos para que el estudiante, si lo desea, pueda formular reclamaciones en relación con el programa.

In order to make a complain about any matter related to the Doctorate Programme in Primatology, students must send a letter to the general coordinator.

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