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We are proud to present you with the UB master's degree in Economics, which aims to train highly qualified professionals at an international level.

The course is designed to provide you with the theoretical and empirical tools you'll need to analyse real economic problems and to conduct independent research. Students who successfully complete the course will be qualified to work in such areas as teaching in higher education, research, and economic consultancy to public and private institutions.

The UB master's degree in Economics is a two-year course, and you'll need to complete it if you want to go on to the UB's doctoral program in Economics, which has received a quality award by the Spanish Ministry of Education and Science.

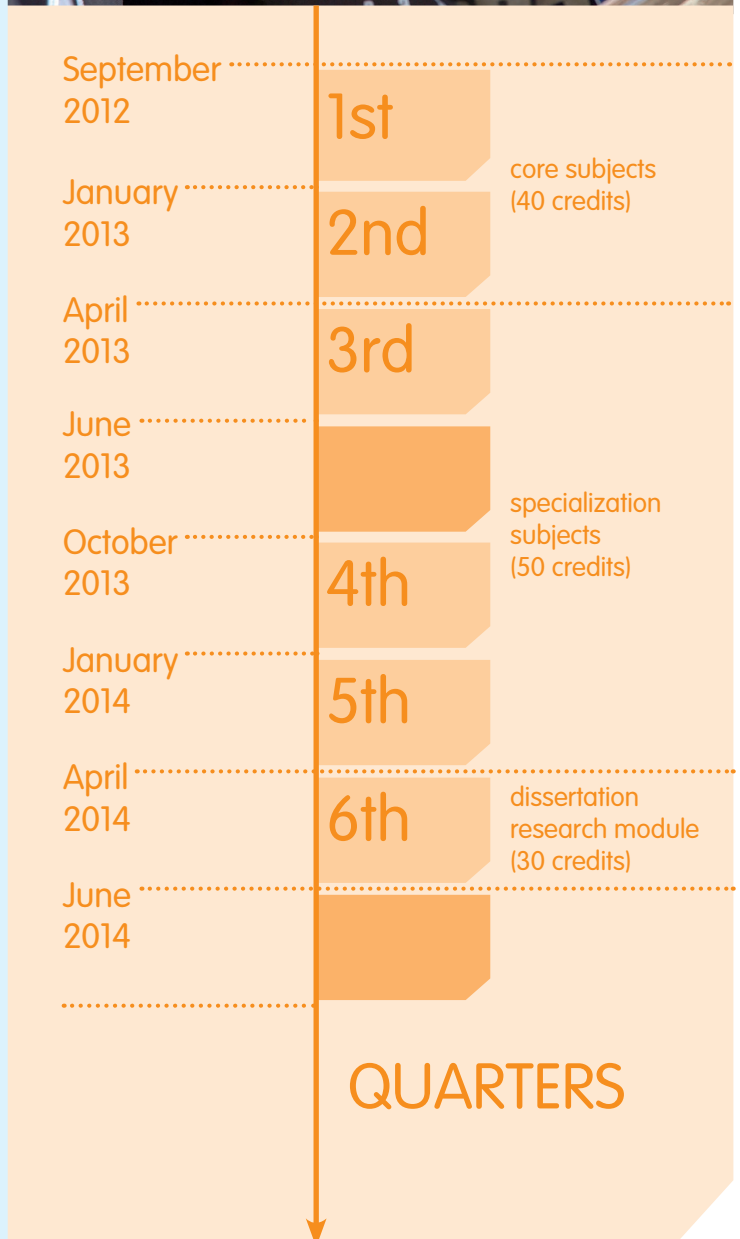
The language of instruction on this course is English.

The degree is taught at the UB Faculty of Economics and Business, the largest economics faculty in Catalonia and also one of the faculties on the Barcelona Knowledge Campus, the most active 'Campus of Excellence' in all Spain. Our Faculty is in the top 100 universities of the QS World University Rankings. Students enrolled on the course will be able to attend seminars, talks and conferences delivered by some of the best academics and professionals in the international arena. The Faculty also provides study and research support services and IT facilities right in the middle of Barcelona.

UPON COMPLETION OF THIS DEGREE COURSE, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO:



- 01.** Initiate independent research in economics.
- 02.** Apply a wide range of advanced tools in the analysis and resolution of complex economic problems.
- 03.** Apply deductive and inductive reasoning to the analysis of economic realities.
- 04.** Evaluate the effects of economic policies.
- 05.** Improve your decision-making and leadership skills.
- 06.** Improve your teamwork and interpersonal skills.
- 07.** Understand and easily communicate research developments in the international scientific community to both specialists and non-specialists using the most appropriate tools.



THE PROGRAMME



Students enrolled in the course must complete 120 credits. During the 1st and 2nd quarter students must cover 40 credits based on **core subjects**, mainly Mathematics applied to Economics, Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and Econometrics.

The middle quarters of the course are based on **specialization subjects** – mainly in the 3rd, 4th and 5th quarter – in which students must choose 50 additional credits according to their academic or professional focus. These specialization subjects are organized in **eight fields**: Econometrics, Game Theory and Decision Making, Government and Markets, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Public Economics, Spatial Economics, and Trade and development.

At the end of the course, in the 6th quarter, students must write a **dissertation** that researches a specific topic and in which they apply the different methodologies they have studied during the course.

The teaching and research staff on the course are mainly senior researchers with substantial academic and professional experience in their field.

You can consult the details about the degree programme and the teaching staff at the master's webpage.

THE STUDENTS

The students on this master's degree course are typically between 25 and 26 years of age, they come from different countries around the world and they bring with them a wide range of personal and professional experience which has enriched the course value since the last edition, when it started to be taught in English.

WHERE OUR STUDENTS COME FROM (2011-2012)

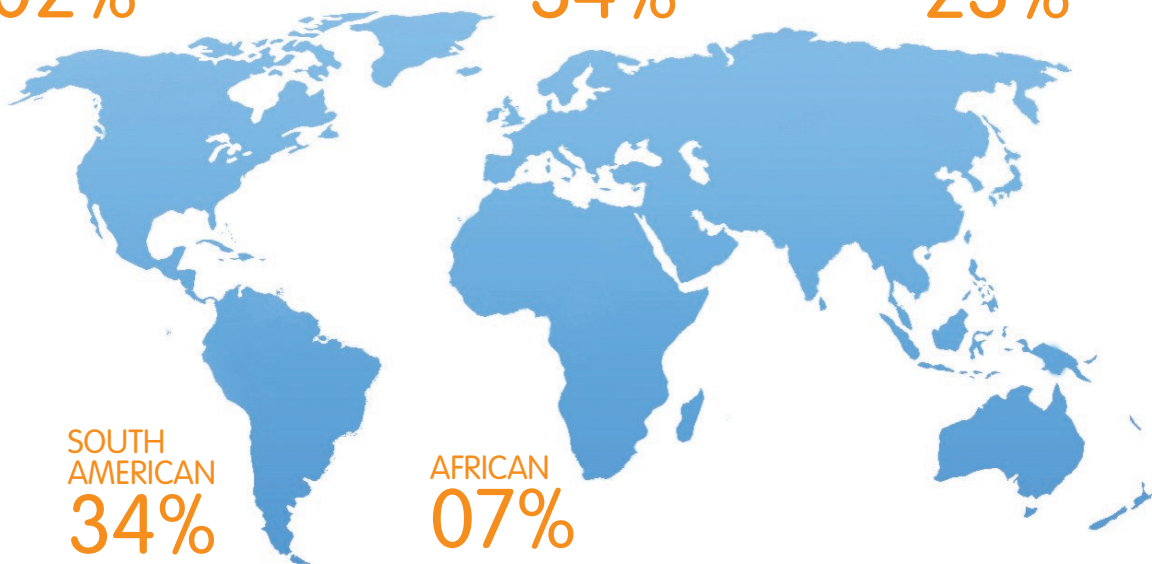
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AMERICAN
02%

EUROPEAN
34%

ASIAN
23%

SOUTH
AMERICAN
34%

AFRICAN
07%



The master's degree in Economics enables students to acquire suitable skills for different career paths, in academic, research and professional fields. However, over half the students who normally do the degree consider it as a way of beginning their PhD.

Some students complete their PhD in our Faculty, and others are accepted at the end of the course in benchmark institutions such as Columbia University or London School of Economics.

Finally, our master's graduates also demonstrate a high level of satisfaction with the degree course, giving it an average grade over 7 out of 10.



Teresa Kersting

2nd-year student from Germany



“I particularly appreciate the broad range of courses and the freedom of choice which enables us to specialize in the methodological and economic fields of interest. Small class sizes and very good supervision by the teaching staff are also a big plus for me.”

Juan Jung

2nd-year student from Uruguay



“The structure of the course has been extremely useful for me, and the first year subjects gave me the theoretical foundations to become more rigorous in economic analysis. That helped me in the second year to develop my research skills and to be prepared to start the PhD programme next year.”



Abian Garcia

Master's degree graduate from the Canary Islands, currently completing a PhD at the European University Institute, Florence



“The comprehensive nature of the programme, the quality of its research groups and the attraction of life in Barcelona make the Master in Economics a first choice for those who want to start an academic career.”



For further information about specific requirements, enrolment, deadlines,
and grant calls, consult our official website at:

<http://www.ub.edu/masteroficial/economia/>



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