### General information

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### Application

- **Nomination via e-mail**: Exchange students must be selected by their home institution, according to the conditions and number of places of the bilateral agreement. Partner universities should communicate the nominated candidates before **May 31st** to ETSAB International Office by e-mail at mob.etsab@upc.edu indicating: students’ name, email, current studies and period of stay (for non UE students: please add ID/passport number). Instructions for online application will be sent in return to the nominated students.

- **Online Application**: Exchange students must then **apply online** between April 1st and **June 15th** at:
  

  Online Application: Fill in the required data + Upload the following files:
  - ETSAB Exchange Application Form dully filled in, signed by their mobility coordinator
  - Copy of passport or ID card
  - Portrait picture for the UPC Student Card: JPG format file / minimum resolution 100 dpi / dimensions: 181 pixel width x 220 pixel height / white background

- **Deadlines**
  - **MAY 31 for nomination / JUNE 15 for online application**

- **Additional documents**: No other documents are needed at this moment.

  Upon arrival in **September**, students should bring with them their academic transcript of records and a graphic portfolio with samples of their work, to show to their ETSAB academic advisor.

  **WARNING**: Learning Agreements will be signed preferably after enrolment in September, because the availability of many courses will only be known at the moment of registration, so changes are very likely to happen. Any Learning Agreement sent before can only be signed provisionally and it doesn’t imply at all a reservation of the courses chosen.

### Academic Calendar

**Preferred period of stay**

- **First semester**: from mid-September to end of January
- **Second semester**: from February to end of June

It is recommended to come for a full academic year (September-June), but one-semester stays will be accepted ONLY in the first semester (September-January). The number of places will remain the same regardless of the duration of the stay.

**Problems for study in 2nd semester**

**IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO COME JUST FOR THE SECOND SEMESTER (February -June)**

The enrolment period for incoming students is only in September.

*ONLY when specified at the bilateral agreement, or very exceptionally at request of the partner university, ETSAB may authorize second semester stays.*

**Important note**: the academic offer will then be adjusted to availability at the time of inscription.
### Academic structure

ETSAB ARCHITECTURE studies are organized into a 5+1 year structure:

**GRADO EN ESTUDIOS DE ARQUITECTURA** (Degree in Architecture Studies)

- **GArqEtsaB** = 300 ECTS in 5 years

**MASTER UNIVERSITARIO EN ARQUITECTURA** (Master’s Degree in Architecture)

- **MArqEtsaB** = 60 ECTS in 1 year

GArqEtsaB along with MArqEtsaB is an integrated academic programme that enables the practice as Architect in Spain (regulated profession)

### POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

ETSAB has recently restructured its postgraduate academic offer, merging most former Master Degree programmes, which in general are not offered to exchange and visiting students.

**MASTER UNIVERSITARIO EN PAISAJISMO** (Master’s Degree in Landscape Architecture)

- **MBLandArch** = 120 ECTS in 2 years

**MASTER UNIVERSITARIO EN ESTUDIOS AVANZADOS EN ARQUITECTURA·BARCELONA** (Master's degree in Advanced Studies in Architecture-Barcelona)

- **MBArch** = 60 ECTS in 1 year, 9 different tracks

**MASTER UNIVERSITARIO EN ESTUDIOS AVANZADOS EN DISEÑO-BARCELONA** (Master's degree in Advanced Studies in Design-Barcelona)

- **MBDesign** = 60 ECTS in 1 year, 5 different tracks

### Academic offer

**Courses available for exchange students**

Incoming Exchange students will only enrol **GRADO EN ESTUDIOS DE ARQUITECTURA** GArqEtsaB course units.

Academic offer details are updated every year in July (elective courses offer, class schedules...)

Besides, **MASTER UNIVERSITARIO EN PAISAJISMO** MBLandArch courses are available only for Erasmus+ and EMiLA landscape students when specified in the Bilateral Agreement. (please check ETSAB exchange partners list)

Any other ETSAB's Master or PhD programmes are NOT included in Exchange bilateral agreements. Neither MArqEtsaB nor MBArch & MBDesign courses are available for exchange/visiting students.

**Advanced knowledge preferred**

Architecture exchange students preferred with **6 semesters completed** at their home institution (180 ECTS achieved)

**Enrolment**

Annual enrolment in September, both autumn and spring semester subjects must be chosen. Changes only allowed in January for second semester courses

It is recommended not to take more than 5-6 subjects (24-30 ECTS) per semester

(Visiting students are allowed to enrol up to 30 ECTS in total, regardless of the duration of their stay being just one semester or a full academic year)

- **Compulsory course units from 1st to 5th year:** They may enrol any subject of their interest, choosing the semester, according to the availability of class groups.
  - Maximum 1 Architectural Design Studio + 1 Urban Planning Studio per semester
- **Elective courses** have a limited number of places. While reserving a percentage of them for exchange/visiting we cannot guarantee its availability for all students. Their schedule may overlap with compulsory courses
  - Maximum 2-3 elective courses per semester, according to availability
- **Final Thesis Report (TFG)** is **not open** to incoming exchange/visiting students

### Academic schedule

- **from mid-September until end of June**
- 30 weeks of classes: 2 terms of 15 weeks (excluding examinations and intensive courses)

### Credit & grading system

- **60 ECTS credits per academic year**
- 1 ECTS = 25-30 hours (50% contact hours at class / 50% self-study hours)

**ETSAB qualification grading scale (from 0 to 10)**

- 10 (MATRICULA D'HONOR) mark of special distinction
- 9 to 9,9 (EXCEL·LENT) excellent
- 7 to 8,9 (NOTABLE) very good
- 5 to 6,9 (APROVAT) good / satisfactory
- 5 is the passing grade
- 0 to 4,9 (SUSPENS) not passed (fail)
- NP (NO PRESENTAT) not examined
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<td>CATALAN: SLT, the Language and Terminology Service of our university UPC offers Catalan courses with special fees for incoming exchange students. <strong>Servei de Llengües i Terminologia (SLT)</strong> North Camps UPC, Vertex building Pl. Eusebi Güell 6 - 08034 BARCELONA Tel: +34 93 401 74 97 Email: <a href="mailto:web.slt@upc.edu">web.slt@upc.edu</a> web: <a href="http://www.upc.edu/slt/">http://www.upc.edu/slt/</a> You may also start learning Catalan via internet at INTERC@T: web: <a href="http://www.intercat.cat">www.intercat.cat</a></td>
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