



Universitat Jaume I (UJI) – 2017/2018 Information sheet

Exchange Students at the Universitat Jaume I	
SEMESTERS	<p>ORIENTATION: one week before the start date for Semester 1, and 5 days before for Semester 2.</p> <p>SEMESTER 1 (Autumn): from 11th of September 2017 to 22nd of December 2016 (exams from 8th to 24th of January 2018).</p> <p>SEMESTER 2 (Spring): from 25th of January 2018 to 23rd of May 2018 (exams from 24th of May to 8th of June 2018).</p> <p>Note: if the semester at your home university starts before the UJI exam period ends, you can ask UJI lecturers to set your exams earlier. However, the final decision is up to them.</p>
LANGUAGE	<p>We can admit students with an A2 knowledge of the Spanish language. However, we recommend students to have at least a B1 level. No certificates required.</p>
COURSES	<p>IF STUDENTS ARE PROFICIENT IN SPANISH:</p> <p>You are allowed to take any course from any degree (no restrictions). Syllabuses are available at www.lleu.uji.es (in Spanish or Catalan; also in English if the course is taught in this language). Here you will find full information about all the courses: the semester they are offered, their number of credits, exam dates, lecturer, language of instruction, etc.). To see this information, select "Castellano" (Spanish) on the top right. To see a course syllabus, just click on the course name ("Asignatura") and then select "Guía docente" on the menu on the left. Some syllabuses are also in English. Please note that this link will not be fully updated until June 2017 but the information is not supposed to have big changes.</p> <p>IF STUDENTS AREN'T PROFICIENT ENOUGH IN SPANISH:</p> <p>They should take courses taught in English. They are often offered in the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Business/Economics/Finance (Semester 1 or 2) - Tourism (Semester 1 or 2) - Audiovisual Communication (only Semester 2) - English Studies (Semester 1 or 2) - Mechanical Engineering (only Semester 1) - Industrial Technology Engineering (Semester 1 or 2) - Industrial Systems Engineering and Design (Semester 1 or 2) - Technical Architecture (only Semester 2) - Chemistry (Semester 1 or 2) <p>Academic tutors will confirm the choice before signing the Learning Agreement, as it might suffer some changes.</p> <p>We have a few courses that are taught entirely in English. Please see the attached sheet.</p>

	<p>Almost all courses at UJI have 6 ECTS credits. Local students take 30 ECTS/semester. According to our regulations, students should take from 18 to 30 credits per semester. Intensive and semi-intensive Spanish courses (fee-paying) also give some credit.</p>
ACCOMMODATION	<p>3 ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS (all options include expenses):</p> <p>1) FAMILY PROGRAMME: Approx. €450/month (full board). Marga Gonell is in charge of these arrangements: gonellm@uji.es</p> <p>2) SHARED FLATS: Approx. €150-250/month (no meals) in a flat shared with other students. Students should book a hotel for 2-4 days (www.booking.com) and look for a flat once here. They are easy to find, and we provide guidance.</p> <p>You can also find offers on Facebook before you come; search for Intercanvia't Ori to become our friend.</p> <p>3) PRIVATE HALL OF RESIDENCE ON CAMPUS: Approx. €480/month (with breakfast and one meal). Rooms are equipped with a kitchenette. Students should contact castellon@residencias-estudiantes.com.</p> <p>See: http://www.residencias-estudiantes.com/en/res5/residencias-de-estudiantes-castellon</p> <p>We have just started working with <i>HousingAnywhere</i> so your students will be offered one accommodation option in private flats, which will help international students to find a flat easily.</p>
APPLICATION DEADLINES	<p>SEMESTER 1: 15th of June SEMESTER 2: 15th of November These are also the deadlines to make the</p>
CONTACT FOR INFORMATION	<p>International Student Support : E-mail: incoming@uji.es Tel: +34-964387063/58/73</p>
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EMERGENCY PHONE No	<p>For EMERGENCIES, call 112, 091 or 062</p>
INTENSIVE SPANISH	<p>There are two intensive Spanish courses:</p>

<p>COURSES</p>	<p>1) The <u>intensive Spanish course</u> starts at the beginning of each semester. Students take a test to place them in the right level. The course comprises 45 hours and is taught at different levels (A1, A2, B1 and B2), three hours a day, five days a week, over three weeks. Classes can be taken in the morning or in the afternoon. The price is €121. Upon completion, students will be awarded 3 ECTS credits.</p> <p>2) The <u>semi-intensive Spanish course</u> starts after the intensive course has finished. Students progress to the next level. This course runs for two months and a half, for a total of 70 hours, 3 hours per day, 3 days a week, and the levels taught are A1, A2, B1 and B2, and C1. The price is €171. Upon completion, students will be awarded 3 ECTS credits.</p> <p>These credits can be included in your academic transcript. Ask us about it when you have arrived at the UJI.</p> <p>You can find all the information about these courses using the link below:</p> <p>http://ujiapps.uji.es/serveis/slt/base/adf/assessories/cele/formacio/cele/</p> <p>If you have any queries, do not hesitate to contact us at cal@uji.es</p>
<p>INFO FOR INCOMING STUDENTS</p>	<p>For general information for incoming students, please visit:</p> <p>http://www.international.uji.es/</p> <p>http://ujiapps.uji.es/serveis/ori/estudiant_personal_entrant/orientacio/</p>
<p>HOW TO GET TO CASTELLÓ?</p>	<p>The UNIVERSITAT JAUME I is in CASTELLÓ (Valencia region).</p> <p>The nearest airport is Castelló (CDT), 35 km away and then Valencia (VLC), 65 km away. But you can also fly to others such as Barcelona (BCN), 300 km away; Madrid (MAD), 500 km away, or Alicante (ALC), 250 km away. This means you have various options, and you should decide depending on the weight of your luggage, the fare, the travel time, and the number of transfers:</p> <p>1) <u>From Castelló airport (CDT)</u></p> <p>The new Castelló airport, just 35 km away from the UJI, started operating in September 2015 from and to London Stansted (STN) and Bristol (BRS), Sofia and Bucharest. To get to the city of Castelló de la Plana from the airport you can take a taxi or a bus. The estimated journey time is 25 minutes.</p> <p>2) <u>From Valencia airport (VLC)</u></p> <p>You have 2 options:</p> <p>A) Taxi to Castelló (65 Km): approximately € 85-100 (price shown by the taximeter, but it should not exceed €100). Estimated journey time: 50 min.</p>

B) A direct metro from the airport of Valencia to the stop called Xàtiva, in front of the **Valencia Estació del Nord** Railway Station (a one-way metro ticket costs €5, and the estimated journey time is 25 minutes). At Valencia Estació del Nord Railway Station, buy a train ticket to Castelló de la Plana at the ticket windows or at the machines (tickets for trains called "**CERCANÍAS/RODALIES**" are cheaper). There are frequent trains to Castelló: approximately every 20 minutes on working days and every hour at weekends. A one-way ticket costs €5.80 and the journey takes about 1 hour 15 minutes). The rough total price of this option is €11.

3) From Barcelona airport (BCN)

There is a non-stop train from Terminal T2 at the airport to **Barcelona-Sants Railway Station** (a one-way ticket is €4.10 and the estimated journey time is 30 minutes). At Sants Railway Station, buy a train ticket to Castelló de la Plana at the long distance windows ("Llarga Distància"). Trains to Castelló run frequently - almost every hour (you should book well in advance on Sundays and public holidays, since trains tend to get quite busy). The price is between €20-40. The estimated journey time is between 2 and 3 and a half hours, depending on the type of train you take. Train types and timetables can be consulted at www.renfe.com. You can also buy your ticket online on this site, but remember that if you do this and you arrive late, you will lose it.

4) From Madrid airport (MAD)

You have 2 options:

A) By train to Castelló. Go to Terminal T4 at the airport and take the C1 "CERCANÍAS" train (they run frequently, every 30 minutes) and get off at Atocha Railway Station (a one-way ticket is €2.55, and the estimated journey time is 25 minutes). At this station, ask for **Madrid Puerta de Atocha** (a 2-minute walk away).

From Madrid Puerta de Atocha Railway Station, take a high-speed train (AVE) to Valencia Joaquín Sorolla Station. There are AVEs almost every hour. The price is between €29-73. The estimated journey time is 1 hour 45 minutes. You can buy tickets at the station, and you can check the train types and timetables at www.renfe.com. You can also buy your ticket online on this site, but remember that if you do this and you arrive late, you will lose it.

Once you are at Valencia Joaquín Sorolla Railway Station, you have 2 options:




A.1) Take a train to Castelló from this station. Trains run approximately every 2-3 hours (a one-way train ticket costs from €7 to €20, and the estimated journey time is between 45 minutes and 1 hour).

A.2) Change station by taking a free bus to the Valencia Estació del Nord Railway Station just 1 minute away (the buses run every 5 minutes). Once there, buy a train ticket to Castelló de la Plana at the windows or at the machines (tickets for trains called "**CERCANÍAS**" are cheaper). Trains to Castelló run frequently:

	<p>approximately every 20 minutes on working days and every hour at weekends. A one-way ticket costs €5.80 and the journey takes about 1 hour 15 minutes).</p> <p>B) By non-stop bus to Castelló from the T4 (arrivals platform) or T1 (bus parking area) terminals with the company Auto Res-Avanza. A one-way ticket costs around €35, and the estimated journey time is 6 hours 30 minutes). You can check the schedules and the terminal on http://www.venta.avanzabus.com/. You can buy tickets online, but remember that if you do so and you arrive late, you will lose it, so it might be better to buy it on the bus. You will arrive at Castelló Bus and Railway Station.</p> <p>5) From Alicante airport (ALC)</p> <p>Take the C6 Subus bus (in the departures avenue on the 2nd floor) straight from the airport to Alicante Railway Station (a one-way bus ticket costs € 3.85, and the estimated journey time is 20 minutes). At the railway station in Alicante, buy a train ticket to Castelló de la Plana at the windows. There are trains approximately every 2 hours until 18.25 (the last one). The price ranges from €20 to €36. The estimated journey time is 2 hours 30 minutes. Visit www.renfe.com to check the trains and timetables. You can buy your ticket online, but remember that if you do this and you arrive late, you will lose it.</p>
<p>HOW TO GET TO THE UJI?</p>	<p>Getting to the UJI from Castelló Train and Railway Station is very easy. Just take the tram or the bus in front of the station. The journey takes 5 minutes, and the fare is €1.05.</p> <p>We will be waiting for you at the INTERNATIONAL OFFICE upon your arrival. We are open Monday to Friday from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.</p> <p>More information: +34 964 38 70 63/58/73/77 and incoming@uji.es</p> <p>You will find a UJI map at the link below:</p> <p>https://www.google.es/maps/place/Universitat+Jaume+I/@39.994007,-0.069994,17z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m2!3m1!1s0xd5ffe0fca9b5147:0x1368bf53b3a7fb3f</p> <p>And at the link below you will find a map with the location of the International Relations Office on campus:</p> <p>http://ujiapps.uji.es/serveis/ori/estudiant_personal_entrant/orientacio/atencio_estrangers/ori_info/campus_plano.pdf</p>
<p>THE UJI</p>	<p>Around 300 international students choose to study on exchange at the Universitat Jaume I every year, primarily for seven reasons that set us apart from other universities in Spain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A well-structured single campus - Interesting courses

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Warm and personalized attention - A very safe university and city - Nice weather and excellent beaches - Low cost of living - New technologies always available on campus <p>Please watch this video:</p> <p>http://ujiapps.uji.es/serveis/ori/estudiant_personal_entrant/perque_uji/</p>
<p>THE CITY</p>	<p>Castelló de la Plana (or simply Castelló or in Spanish, Castellón) is a city on the Mediterranean coast with beautiful sandy beaches all along its coastline and orange groves. It is a small but modern provincial capital with everything you might need. Its moderate size (180,000 inhabitants) makes it the perfect place to live in, with the best of a big city (cultural events, shops, nightlife, facilities and local amenities) and a small town (Spanish traditions, relaxed lifestyle, integration with locals and nature). It is a very safe city, and much cheaper than larger cities such as Madrid, Valencia or Barcelona.</p> <p>The UJI is only a 20-minute walk from the city centre or a 10-minute ride by tram/bus.</p> <p>The tram links the UJI with the beach in a journey that takes just 25 minutes.</p> <p>Please watch this video of the city of Castelló:</p> <p>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dw--cZCxjOU</p>
<p>THE WEATHER</p>	<p>Thanks to the city's location on the Mediterranean coast, the weather in Castelló is very pleasant for most of the year. It is warm in summer and the temperatures in winter are mild. There is little rainfall and always plenty of sun!</p>
<p>COST OF LIVING</p>	<p>Here is an estimate of your possible monthly living expenses:</p> <p>- Accommodation (electricity, Internet, etc., included) and meals:</p> <p>Shared flat: €150-250/month (rental) + €200/month on meals = total of €350-450/month</p> <p>With a family: €450/month (full board)</p> <p>Private hall of residence on campus: €400/month (without meals). You have the option of 1) cooking using the kitchenette inside your room (€200/month), which makes a total of €600/month; or 2) arranging half board (€550/month from Monday to Friday only) and cooking dinner and meals at weekends €150/month = a total of €700/month; or 3) arranging full board (from Monday to Friday only) for €650/month and cooking meals at weekends 80€/month, which makes a total of</p>

	<p>€730. (The hall of residence does not provide you with sheets or kitchenware, and does not provide meals on holidays).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Transport: €25-35/month - Personal expenses: €100/month - Books: around €100/semester <p>You can eat at the University at one of our three refectories on campus. There is a set menu for €5 (having lunch at a restaurant in the city would cost between €8-15 on weekdays).</p> <p>Fruit and vegetables are very cheap in Spain. Clothes are also cheap.</p> <p>We advise you to have around €600/month to be able to live comfortably.</p>
SHOPS	<p>Opening hours depend on whether it is a big company (open Monday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.) or a small shop (Monday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. and from 5 to 8 p.m.). Castelló has an outdoor market in the city centre and a shopping mall called La Salera, which is a 25-minute walk or a 10-minute bus ride from the campus.</p> <p>You will also find several shops on our campus (optician's, photocopying shop, bank and bookshop, among others) and there is a supermarket just opposite the entrance to the campus.</p> <p>The University Library is open from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. from Monday to Friday, and from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays. It is also open all night long (24 hours a day) during exam periods.</p>
BANKS	<p>The Banco de Santander office on campus offers our international students the opportunity to open a bank account free of charge. Bank opening hours in Spain are from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday to Friday.</p>
CULTURE	<p>Many cultural events and activities take place in Castelló and at the UJI: theatre, exhibitions, museums, concerts, etc.</p> <p>Our International Office also organizes a comprehensive programme of activities for exchange students each semester, with excursions, Spanish cultural activities such as Spanish cooking or cinema, etc. to make your stay a very pleasant one. You can see an example at the link below:</p> <p>http://ujiapps.uji.es/serveis/ori/base/activitats_culturals/1415_2sem_entrants.pdf</p>
SPORTS	<p>You have many sports options on campus. The UJI has soccer fields, basketball courts, an athletics track, tennis and paddle tennis courts, gyms, etc. You can take courses in Pilates, step, bodyweight, dance, capoeira, aerobic, karate, judo, and swim in the new indoor swimming pool. In addition, you can do many other</p>

	<p>sports that the UJI offers off campus, such as diving, sailing, hiking, horse riding, skiing, caving, trekking, roller skating, and more.</p> <p>We will help you to make your choice and enrol after you arrive.</p>
HOLIDAYS	<p>SEMESTER 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 22nd of September, 9th of October, 12th of October, 1st of November, 6th of December, 8th of December. - Christmas: from 23rd of December to 8th of January. If you want, you can celebrate it with a Spanish family and take part in the XMAS with PAMILIES action. <p>SEMESTER 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -23rd of February - Castelló's local festival (Magdalena 2018): from 3rd to 11th March. If you are here in the second semester, you will be able to experience our amazing traditional local festival, with plenty of cultural events, concerts, gastronomy and Spanish and Valencian traditions. - Easter: from 29th March to 8th of April. - 1st of May <p>SUMMER HOLIDAYS: from mid-July to the end of August</p>
ASSISTANCE	<p>We will assign you a lecturer who will be your academic tutor, and he/she will advise and assist you academically during your stay and they will sign your Learning Agreements.</p> <p>Moreover, if you would like a Spanish friend from your degree course upon your arrival, we can assign you a mentor or 'buddy'. This is the best way to make a local friend and learn more about our culture and traditions. Make the most of it and become a mentee! You can tick in the box 'I would like to have a Spanish mentor' once you pre register online with us.</p>
SOCIAL NETWORKS	<p>Join our Facebook  group, intercanvia't Ori, to keep up to date, get to know other students, find accommodation, etc.</p> <p>We also have WhatsApp  : we create WhatsApp groups to communicate quickly and effectively with all international students and notify them of everything important in real time. Just give us your mobile number. Don't miss out on the group!</p> <p>We are on skype  margagonell77</p>
HEALTH INSURANCE	<p>Remember you must arrange medical insurance to cover your entire stay.</p>