

# UC Berkeley Summer Sessions 2024 with UIC Barcelona



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UIC Barcelona students selected for this programme will participate in the Summer Sessions organised by UC Berkeley. They will also have the chance to:

- **Apply for a grant** from UIC Barcelona
- **Transfer credits** to their UIC Barcelona degree programme<sup>1</sup>

After finishing the Summer Sessions, students will receive an official Berkeley academic transcript, and the credits they have earned will be transferred over to their UIC Barcelona degree programme.

UIC Barcelona will offer **three grants of €2,000** that will cover part of the Berkeley enrolment fees, depending on the number of credits the student wishes to take. They must cover the remaining costs themselves, including the rest of the enrolment fees, accommodation, travel, visa and food.

Find more information about the Berkeley Summer Sessions [here](#).

## Please note

Students can participate in the programme with or without the grant, and in both cases, credit transfer is possible (see footnote 1).

However, applicants must pass the selection process outlined in this call. Grants will be awarded to the call's top three applicants.

## Who can apply?

All students enrolled in an official degree programme at UIC Barcelona, who have completed, or are currently in the second year of their bachelor's degree<sup>2</sup> may apply.

If students are studying two degree programmes at the same time (e.g. Business and Law), they will need to apply as a student of just one of them, depending on which degree they want to apply for credit transfer for.

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<sup>1</sup> Students studying Medicine, Nursing or Physiotherapy are not eligible for credit transfer. Students are not able to attend the Berkeley Summer Sessions following their final year of study.

<sup>2</sup> Master's degree students may apply, but bachelor's degree students will be given priority for the grants. There is no credit recognition for master's degree programmes.

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## What are the requirements for participating in the programme?

1. Good academic record
  - a. Recommended: a minimum average of 7/10<sup>3</sup>.
2. Students must be in at least the second year of their bachelor's degree, or at most, in their final year of study when they apply.
3. A certified level of at least B2 English, according to Berkeley's requirements:
  - a. See [here](#).
4. A proactive attitude, motivation and good communication skills will positively impact the application.

## How and when to apply

1. Students must fill in the online application form [here](#).
2. In addition, they need to send the following supporting documents to the Department of International Relations **by email**:
  - a. CV
  - b. English language certificate<sup>4</sup>
  - c. Academic transcripts displaying their average mark out of 10<sup>5</sup>.

All documents must be sent to the corresponding email address:

- [exchange.bcn@uic.es](mailto:exchange.bcn@uic.es) (degree programmes on the Barcelona Campus)
- [exchange.scu@uic.es](mailto:exchange.scu@uic.es) (degree programmes on the Sant Cugat Campus)

## Deadline for completing the application:

*(Includes online application and the submission of documents by email):*

**30 November 2023**

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<sup>3</sup> If students are studying on a double degree, we will take their highest average mark into account, as long as they have completed at least 30 ECTS on this degree programme.

<sup>4</sup> Not presenting a certificate that adheres to the Berkeley requirements is not a reason for declining the application, but it will affect the evaluation according to the percentage indicated for the language certificate. In any case, before going to Berkeley, all students must fulfill the requirement regarding their English language certificate set by Berkeley.

<sup>5</sup> A document called "CAP", available at your faculty's secretary at no additional cost when requested for this application.

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The Department of International Relations is responsible for the final resolution of the call. It reserves the right to accept and decline applications and will inform the Grants Committee.

## Selection process

1. Each faculty will carry out the first selection process for applicants.
2. **The Department of International Relations will then select the ten best applicants for the grant interviews according to the following criteria:**
  - a. Academic transcripts (60%)
  - b. English language certificate level (30%)
  - c. Faculty recommendation (10%)

In the event of a draw, the student's profile and their motivation indicated in the application form will be taken into account.

3. Applicants who are not selected for an interview, or who indicated that they did not want to apply for the grant, will receive an official letter stating the results of the selection process and whether they have been accepted to participate in the programme without a grant<sup>6</sup>.
4. **The ten applicants invited to interview for the grant will be subject to the following criteria:**
  - a. Academic transcript: 40%
  - b. Profile and motivation: 20%
  - c. English language level (certificate + oral skills): 20%
  - d. Faculty recommendation: 10%
  - e. Financial need (students must provide official proof): 10%<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>6</sup> The Department of International Relations reserves the right to also interview any of these applicants, if necessary, in order to assess their overall eligibility for the programme.

<sup>7</sup> Students may obtain points for the following circumstances: Spanish Ministry of Education grant, UIC Barcelona grant "*Becas UIC Barcelona*", large family "*familia numerosa*", single-parent family "*familia monoparental*", or a disability of 33% or higher.

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- f. Applicants who were interviewed will receive an official letter stating whether they have received the grant, or that they have been accepted to participate in the programme without it, together with the total score of their application.
5. **Waiting list:** Interviewed students who are not awarded the grant will be placed on the waiting list and will be informed if a grant becomes available.

## Following the application deadline:

### Calendar

- **Invitations to interviews for the selected applicants and offer letters for the remaining applicants:** During the week of 2 January 2024
- **Interviews:** Week of 8 January 2024. Exact date and schedule to be confirmed by email when the invitations are sent out.
- **Results published and offer letters sent to interviewed students:** Week of 22 January 2024
- **Deadline for accepting/declining offers (all applicants):** 30 January 2024
- **Waiting list:** Applicants on the waiting list will be informed in order of ranking should a grant become available.
- **Meeting with selected students:** 31 January 2024
- **Enrolment period at Berkeley:** Beginning of February 2024

### Other regulations

Students can receive the grant only once. The grant is applicable for the summer of 2024 only.

### Payment of the grant

UIC Barcelona will pay the grant in two instalments:

- The first instalment (70%) is paid once the student starts their classes at Berkeley and sends confirmation of arrival.

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- The second instalment (30%) is paid once UIC Barcelona receives the student's academic transcript and participation report from Berkeley.

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