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BarcelonaTech

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We are **UPC**

The **Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya · BarcelonaTech** is a public institution of **Higher Education and Research**, specialised in the areas of **Architecture, Engineering, Science and Technology**

We are a leading
technological
university at the
south of Europe



A hub for Education, Research, Innovation and Internationalisation.

Barcelona

- ... The Southern gateway to Europe
- ... Mediterranean Capital
- ... Bridge to the Maghreb
- ... Platform for links to Latin America

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|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1 686 208 | Inhabitants |
| 3 398 219 | Inh. Metropolitan Area |
| 107.2 | GDP per capita (Index EU27=100) |
| 69 710 000 | kTn harbour total transit (2024) |
| 55 034 955 | Airport passengers (2024) |
| 611 342 | Companies (BCN region) |
| 5 532 | Foreign companies (Catalonia) |



EEABB



EEBE



EETAC



EPSEB



EPSEM



EPSEVG



ESEIAAT



ETSAB



ETSAV



ETSECCPB



ETSEIB



ETSETB



FIR



FME



FNR



FOOT



CFIS



CITM

18

Schools

30

Departments

141

Research groups



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Fields

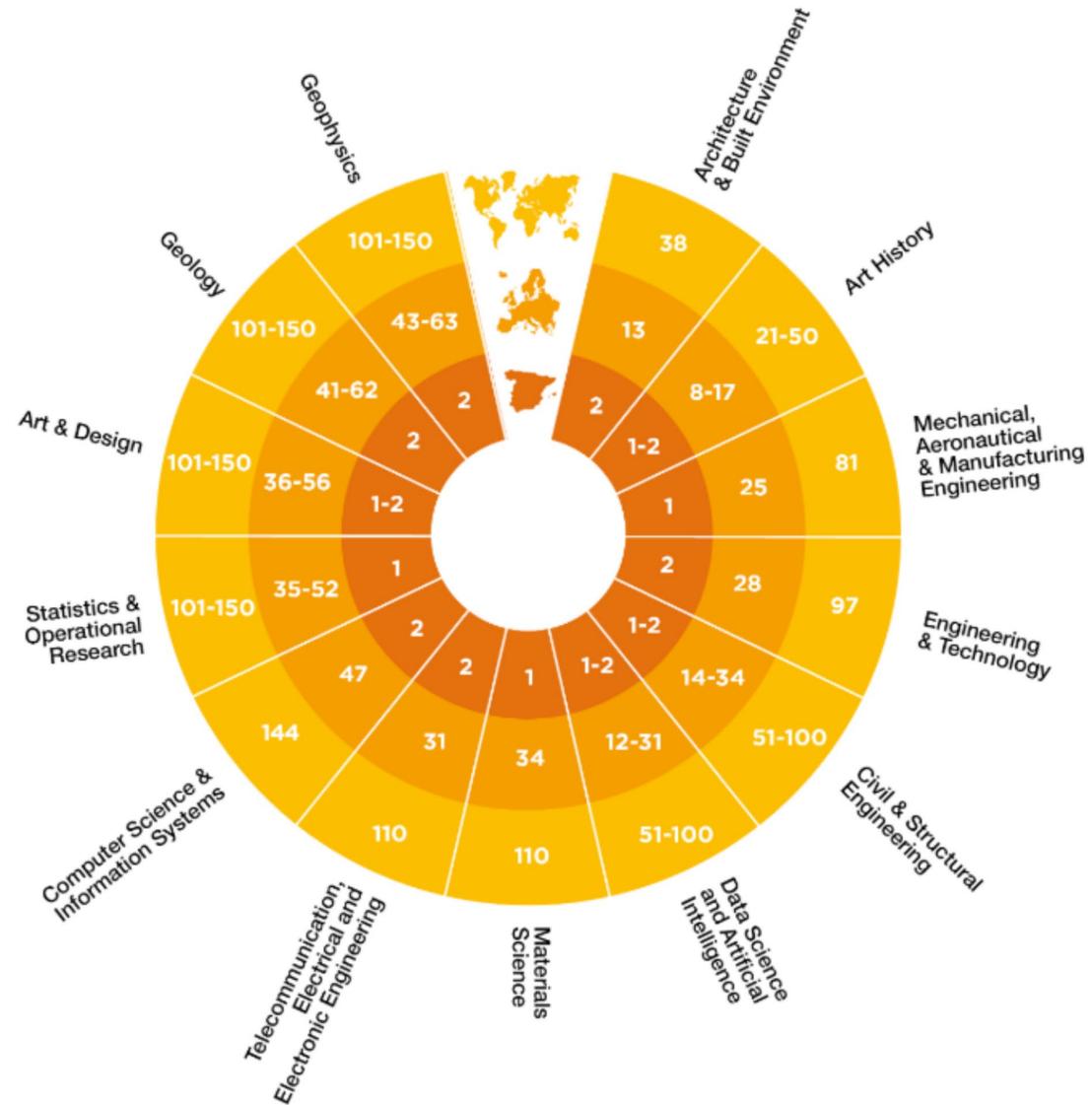
- Architecture and Urban Planning.
- Aerospace Engineering
- Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering
- Civil, Environmental and Geological Engineering
- Computer Science
- Engineering for Industry: Energy, Biomedical, Chemical, Electrical, Materials and Mechanical, Naval, Maritime and Nautical Engineering, Telecommunications and Electronic Systems Engineering
- Applied Sciences: Mathematics, Statistics, Physics, Optics and Photonics



Reputation



QS World University
Rankings by Subject, 2025

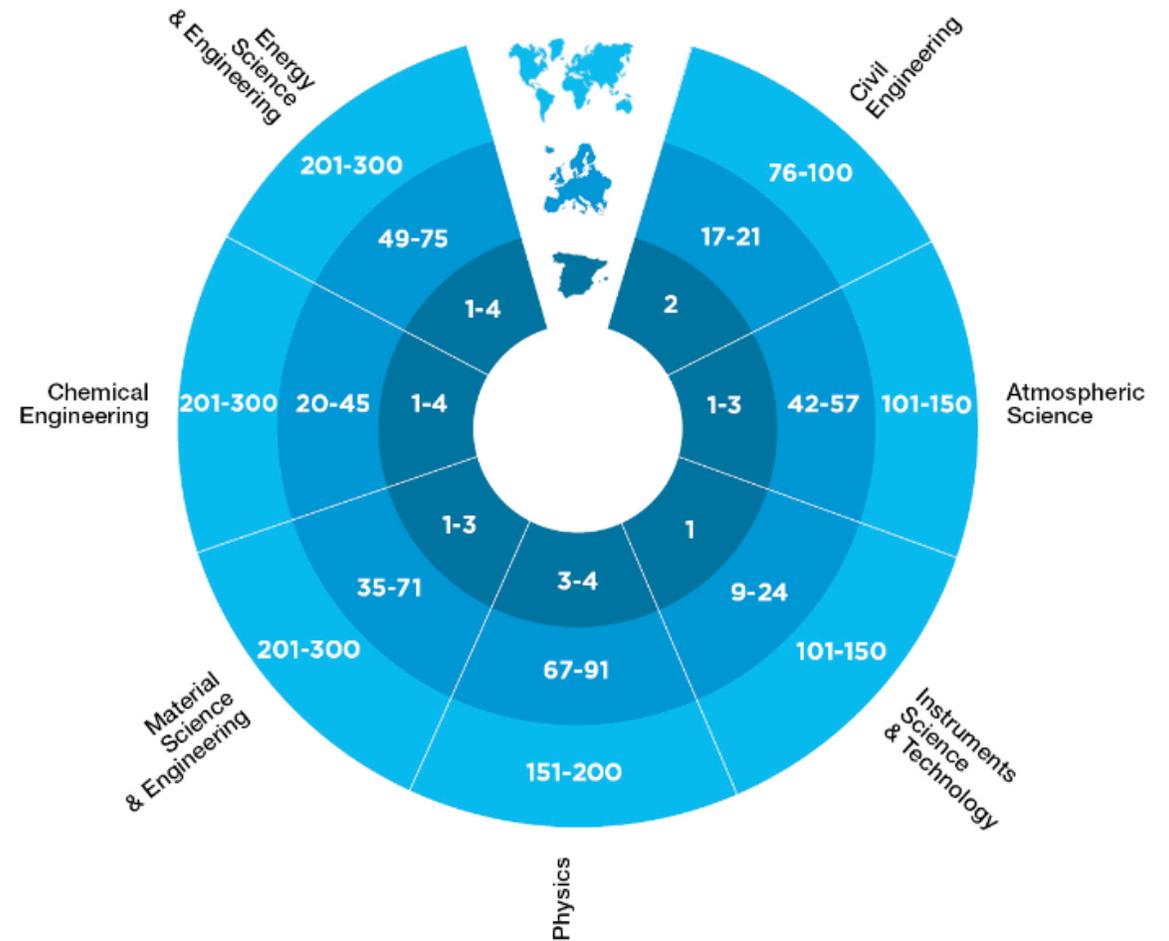


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Reputation



Shanghai Global Ranking
of Academic Subjects, 2025





410 M€

UPC budget
(2025)

108 M€

Projects income
R+D+I (2024)



A university committed to its environment and society





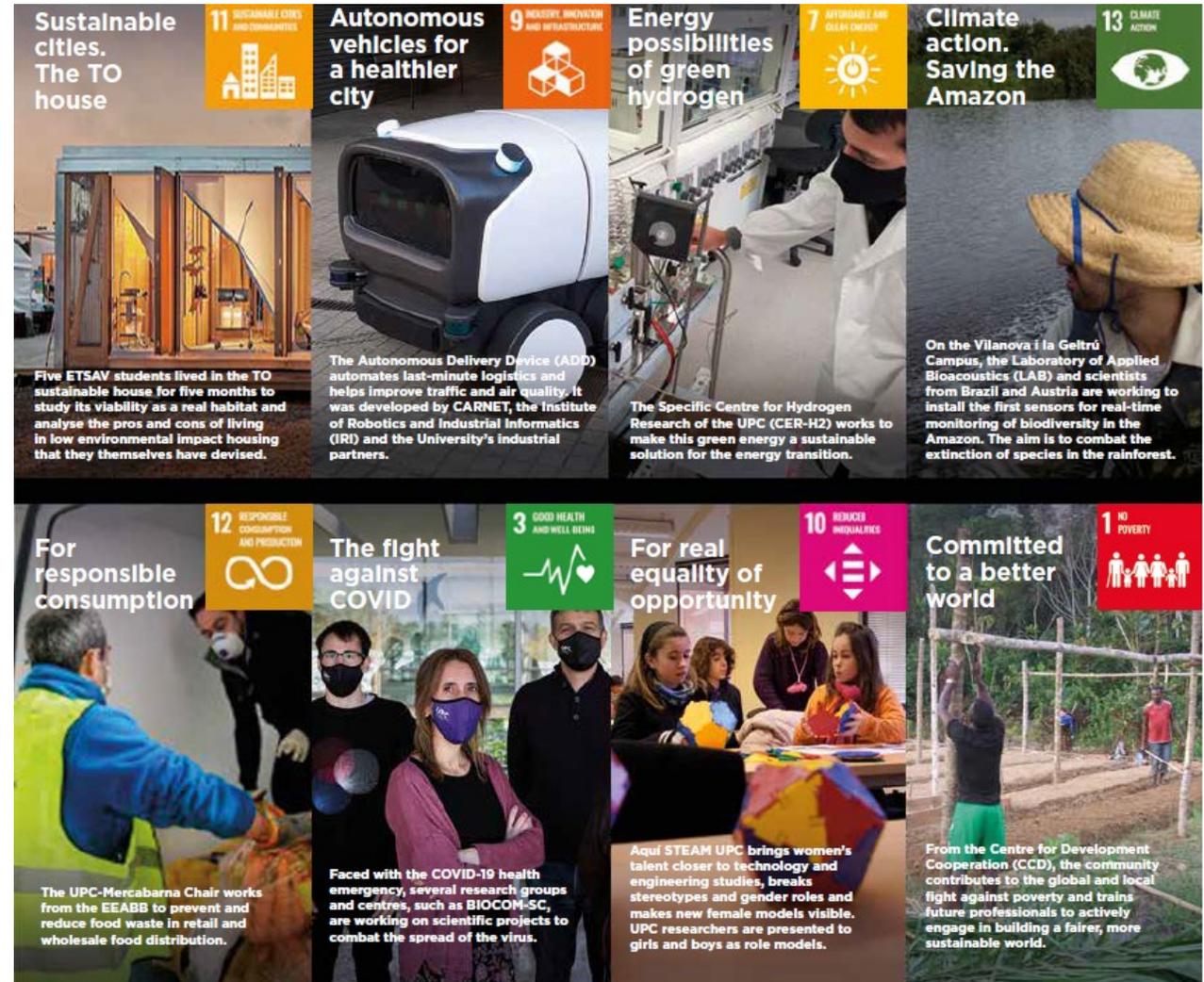
50 development cooperation
projects in 25 countries



Centre de Cooperació
per al Desenvolupament

A university aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)

UPC, world's 'top 60' in the Climate Action SDG 13, according to the 2024 edition of the Times Higher Education Impact Rankings.





UPC Community



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31 433

undergraduate and
master students

2 272

PhD students

31.7 %

of women in the new
intake of students



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3 703

teaching
and research staff

2 279

technical,
management and
administration staff





Training the professionals of the future



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67

bachelor's
degrees

101

master's
degrees

46

PhD programmes





2 568

Continuing education
students



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88%

of graduates work
in less than 6
months



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**Internationalisation,
a dimension that
permeates all
activities**



UPC abroad

- Education: mobility, double degrees, strategic alliances
- Research and innovation projects
- Development Cooperation



Working in networks

The UPC in international networks

Cluster
(Consortium Linking Universities of Science and Technology for Education and Research)

EUA
(European University Association)

TIME
(Top Industrial Managers for Europe)

CASA
(Consortium for Advanced Studies Abroad)

UNITE!
(University Network for Innovation, Technology and Engineering)

SINO-SPANISH CAMPUS
A campus at Tongji University (China) composed of the UPC, the Universidad Politécnica de Madrid, the Tecnológico de Monterrey and the Universidad de Sevilla.

RedEmprendia
(Red de universidades iberoamericanas emprendedoras)

UNITECH
(Network of technological universities and European companies)

CINDA
(Centro Interuniversitario de Desarrollo)

MAGALHAES
(Red de universidades europeas y latinoamericanas)

GUNI
(Global University Network for innovation)

CESAER
(Conference of European Schools for Advanced Engineering Education and Research)



European Institute of
Innovation & Technology

The EIT is a body of the European Union



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A group of five diverse students (three women and two men) are smiling and taking a selfie together outdoors. The background shows a modern building with large windows and some greenery. The image has a blue and green color overlay.

1 555

Student exchange agreements
with

695

Higher Education Institutions
from 57 different countries

80

International Double Degree
programmes with 47
universities





3 176

students in international
exchange programmes

1 415 outgoing / 1 761 incoming

28.1%

of master's students are
international, 73.7% of them
are from outside the EU

53.3%

of PhD students are
international, 80.4% of them
are from outside the EU



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Technology and Engineering

BARCELONA · UPC
29th, 30th November and 1st December
IV Unite! Dialogue
Unite! Past, Present and Future
unite-university.eu



Unite!, the creation of the future European university

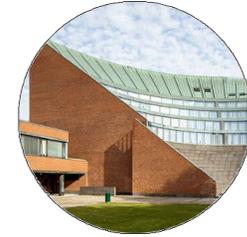
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unite!

University Network for Innovation,
Technology and Engineering

- A model of European University of innovation, technology and engineering.
- A strategic alliance of universities.
- An inclusive community linked to the territory and its stakeholders.




280,000

students at Unite!
universities (2021)


77,300

graduates of Unite!
universities per year
(2020)


31,000

journal and
conference papers
per year (Web of
Science, 2020)


223

ERC grants at Unite!
universities (2007-
2021)


2,630

PhD graduates of
Unite! universities per
year (2020)


799

Startups founded in
the last 5 years



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Research to innovate



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1 935

Ongoing research projects

2 579

papers in scientific journals





The UPC, first
State University
in projects
funded through the
Horizon Europe
programme



Offering answers to companies

R+D+i
Innovation hubs
Talent (internships in companies)
UPC innovation ecosystem
Industrial Doctorates

GENERATING 0.3% OF CATALAN GDP

The UPC contributed to generating 0.3% of Catalonia's GDP in 2019. For every 100 euros of public funding it received, the UPC returned 601.5 euros to society. In terms of contribution to the labour market that year, the University directly or indirectly contributed to creating or maintaining 10,371 full-time equivalent jobs.
(Source: Impacte econòmic i retorn social de la UPC. Any 2019)

THE UPC, A UNICORN INCUBATOR

With nine entrepreneurs and six start-ups valued at over one billion euros or that may be so valued in the next two years, the UPC is one of the top universities at which founders of unicorn companies have trained.

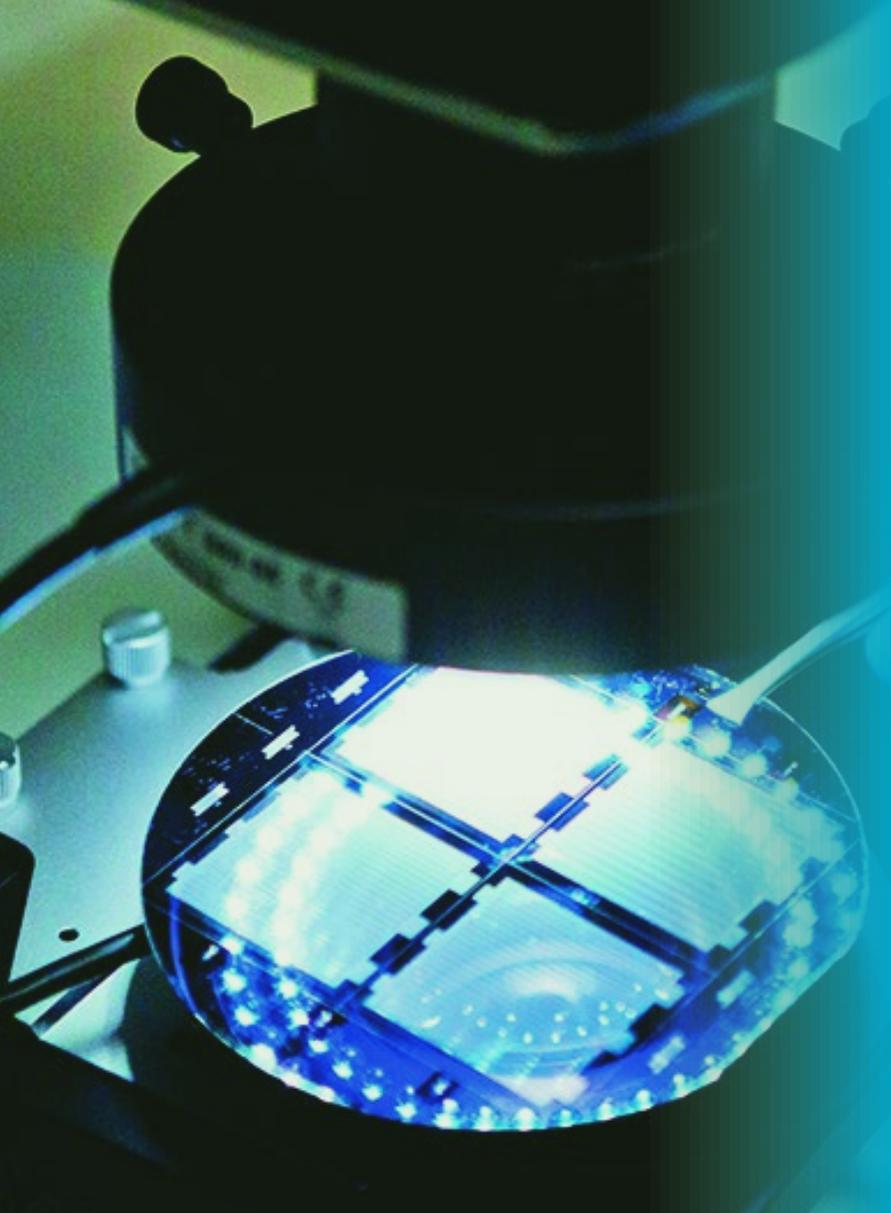


3 131

companies
and entities
with collaboration
agreements



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432

patents and licences in the last 10 years

23

New patents (2024)

33

Technology-based companies





149

industrial doctorate
thesis

28.7% of industrial
doctorates in Catalonia
since 2007 have been
developed at the UPC

The background features a complex, 3D-like pattern of overlapping, wavy, geometric shapes in various shades of blue and teal, creating a sense of depth and movement. The shapes resemble folded paper or a textured surface.

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**UPC,
the university of
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