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Unite ! grants 2025-2026 for UPC students to participate in activities of the Alliance "Unite!"

Introduction

The [UPC International Plan 2023-2026](#), among its different objectives, seeks to increase the diversity of mobility actions and also promote the internationalization of the UPC.

On the other hand, the UPC participates in the European alliance of universities "Unite !", which is a European university alliance for innovation, technology and engineering. This alliance is made up of 9 universities that connect innovative, entrepreneurial and economically promising European regions. [Unite !](#) is a strategic, agile and dynamic alliance based on shared values, a common vision and trust. [Unite !](#) is compromise to to be one engine from technology and innovation and a multilingual trans-European campus that will train the experts and leaders who drive the digital and green transition. (For more information about [Unite !](#), you can consult the alliance's website at: www.unite-university.eu)

In addition, one of the 5 main guidelines of the [UPC International Plan 2023-2026](#) is to [develop the Unite !](#) project within the call for proposals of the European Universities initiative of the European Union.

In this one frame (the [UPC International Plan 2023-2026](#) and [Unite !](#)), the goal of this call is to promote internationalization, encouraging the participation of UPC students in activities of the [Unite ! Alliance](#), or in activities organized by third parties where UPC students attend as representatives of the [Unite ! Alliance](#).

1. Purpose and type of stays

1.1. Object

Grants are being called for to finance stays **without academic recognition**, which require the (physical) travel of UPC students to the activity site and which **take place between 1/10/2025 and 31/08/2026**.

Them aids summoned they have for object finance :

- **Short stays for UPC students at one of the universities in the [Unite! alliance](#), to participate in a [Unite! activity](#), without academic recognition, which requires (physical) mobility and which is organized by two or more universities [Unite !](#)**

For so much, in this one case the destination will be one from the 9 institutions [Unite !](#)

- Aalto University (Aalto , Finland)
 - Grenoble INP- University Grenoble Alps (Grenoble INP/UGA, France)
 - King Techniska High school (KTH, Sweden)
 - Polytechnic day Turin (Polito , Italy)
 - Technical University Darmstadt (ALL , Germany)
 - Technical University Graz (YOU Graz, Austria)
 - University from Lisbon (Lisbon , Portugal)
 - Wrocław University of Science and Technology (WroclawTech , Poland)
- Or short stays of UPC students to some other destination, in representation of the [Unite ! Alliance](#) .

It is up to the student **to individually process their application for admission** to the [Unite! activity](#) for which they are requesting the UPC [Unite! grant](#) .

The recruitment of the transportation and from the accommodation, like this how the concretion of the details of the stay, will be the responsibility of the beneficiary.

If you are a non-European Union citizen, it is up to the student **to ensure that they have the corresponding and valid legal documentation** to be able to travel, complete their stay and return to the UPC. If in doubt, the student should consult the UPC International Mobility Office.
(oficina.mobilitat.internacional@upc.edu).

1.2. Typology from the stays

The activity in which the student candidate for this grant will participate will be an activity promoted and organized by two or more [Unite! institutions](#) , such as: hackathons [Unite!](#), meetings of “SURE” students representing universities [Unite!](#), short-term courses and, in general, initiatives jointly organized by universities in the alliance and targeting students .

These grants are aimed at students who participate in **activities that do not have academic recognition** . Therefore, they are Exchange or double degree stays, as well as participation in Erasmus+ BIP courses, which are included in the Erasmus+ mobility calls, are excluded from these grants.

Likewise, since these grants are aimed at financing stays in activities organized by two or more [Unite!](#) universities, activities organized solely by one university in the [Unite! Alliance are excluded from this call](#) . how for example: the participation in courses from spring/summer, hackathons , conferences, PhD stays (short or long), etc. organized solely by a [Unite! university](#) .

[Unite!](#) activities will be indicated on the call website . eligible and that already they have the welcome of the Vice-Rectorate from UPC International Policy. However, this list is not exhaustive, students can submit applications for other [Unite! activities](#) , along with the information documentation for the activity, and in the event of a positive assessment by the UPC Vice-Rectorate for International Policy, the activity would be added to the list.

2. Features of the aids

2.1. Budget and eligibility period

The maximum budget of the call for grants for **stays carried out between 01/10/2025 and 31/08/2026** is 20,000 euros.

This call it is will finance with background from the UPC.

The call will remain open **until 01/07/2026** or until the budget is exhausted.

2.2. Amount of aid:

The amount from the help granted in this one call will be depending on the distance to the destination city and days of stay, as indicated below:

2.2.a. Basic amount

Them students they will receive one amount from:

- **79 EUR to the day, until to the day 14th of activity;**
- (yes the activity hard more from 14 days) from 56 EUR to the day, between the day 15th and on the 30th day of activity.

To this one amount it is they would add the possible days from trip funded.

2.2.b. Days from trip funded

Students may receive up to a **maximum of two additional travel days** (one day outbound and one return, according to the amounts indicated in the previous paragraph), duly accredited with the corresponding receipts from trip, that they will have to be sent to the UPC International Relations Office (airplane boarding passes, train or bus tickets, etc.).

2.2.c. Help from trip

Them students they will receive one help from trip for headquarters displacement to the place from the activity The amount of the aid will vary according to the kilometer distance, indicated in the following table:

Distances	Amount of travel allowance (amount for participant, in euros)
Between 10 and 99 kilometers:	23 euros
Between 100 and 499 kilometers:	211 euros
Between 500 and 1 999 kilometers:	309 euros
Between 2.000 and 2.999 kilometers:	395 euros
Between 3.000 and 3.999 kilometers:	580 euros
Between 4.000 and 7.999 kilometers:	1.188 euros
8.000 kilometers or more:	1.735 euros

The distance kilometer will be calculated how the distance in line straight, from of the place where the applicant is studying their academic semester, to the place where they will have the [Unite! face-to-face activity](#). This distance will be calculated with the “EU distance” tool calculator” of the European Union:

<https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/resources-and-tools/distance-calculator>

2.2.d. Students with minors opportunities

Them students with minors opportunities they will receive one help additional, corresponding to:

- 100 euros yes the activity tea one duration among 5 and 14 days
- 150 euros yes the activity tea one duration among 15 and 30 days.

The list of student profiles with minor students who would be beneficiaries of this complementary amount is detailed in section 4 of this call.

2.3. Additional provisions

The stays for which the aid is requested cannot have begun. before October 1, 2025 or end after August 31, 2026.

It is they can request aids with character retroactive for to stays already initiated or already completed, if they are within the eligible period, the candidates meet all the requirements of the call, the documentation required by the call is provided and there is budgetary provision.

3. Candidate requirements

- 3.1. Be a citizen of a member state of the European Union or have a residence permit in Spain valid for the period of stay. Therefore, candidates must have a NIF or Foreigner Identification Number (NIE).
- 3.2. Be enrolled and up to date with the payment of their tuition in a UPC bachelor's, master's or doctorate degree at a UPC center. At the time of the stay, the student must maintain their status as a UPC student and not have completed their studies.

- 3.3. Students who receive a UPC Unite ! grant must maintain their status as a student affiliated with the UPC throughout **the** duration of their stay. Consequently, the UPC will not provide grants to students who plan to carry out stays after graduating.
- 3.4. The stay has to be accepted for the destination institution and by the applicant. In this sense, the student candidate requesting the aid must present a letter of admission, issued by the institution [Unite!](#) corresponding.
- 3.5. [Unite!](#) alliance will not be eligible as a destination center . The only exception will be those stays in which the student participates in an activity representing the [Unite! Alliance](#) and with the approval of the Vice-Rectorate for International Policy.

4. Typology of students with fewer opportunities

Additional aid for students with fewer opportunities will be awarded to students who meet one of the following criteria:

- Scholarship holders from the Ministry of Education and Vocational Training (MEyFP) or the Basque Government during the 2024/2025 or 2025/2026 academic year.
Note: If you received a MEyFP scholarship at any other university or educational center, or received a scholarship from the Basque Government, you must notify the UPC International Relations Office by e-mail at the following address: int.calls-management@upc.edu , attaching the scholarship credential.
- Being at risk of social exclusion.
This must be notified, if applicable, to the UPC International Relations Office, by e-mail at the following address: int.calls-management@upc.edu , attaching the supporting legal documentation.
- Being a victim of terrorism, gender-based violence or orphaned.
If applicable, this must be notified to the UPC International Relations Office by e-mail at the following address: int.calls-management@upc.edu , attaching the supporting legal documentation.
- Being in a situation of special need or social emergency.
If applicable, this must be notified to the UPC International Relations Office by e-mail at the following address: int.calls-management@upc.edu , attaching the supporting legal documentation.
- Being in a situation of dependency or with dependents in their care.
If applicable, this must be notified to the UPC International Relations Office by e-mail at the following address: int.calls-management@upc.edu , attaching the supporting legal documentation.
- Have a full-time employment contract.
This must be notified, if applicable, to the UPC International Relations Office, by e-

mail at the following address: int.calls-management@upc.edu, attaching the supporting legal documentation.

- Applicants who suffer from a legally recognized disability, equal to or greater than 33%.
To assign it, the student's file will be consulted. Note: If for some reason, the interested person has never provided this information previously, they must notify the UPC International Relations Office by e-mail, at the address: int.calls-management@upc.edu, attaching the disability certificate.
- Students with refugee status recognized by the UPC.
Note: If for some reason, the interested person has never provided this information previously, they must notify the UPC International Relations Office by e-mail at the following address: int.calls-management@upc.edu, attaching the corresponding supporting documentation.

Note: The grant is one-time; it will not be cumulative if more than one profile is submitted.

5. Formalization of requests

The deadline for to the presentation from requests will end **the 1 July from 2026** to at 23.59 h.

The application must be formalized in the corresponding section of the UPC Electronic Office, indicating:

- Names and surnames
- NIF or NIE number

It must be attached:

❖ **Admission letter:**

The letter admission for the activity [Unite!](#) for the that request the help.

In this one document there they will have from to be recorded the dates starting and end from the activity.

❖ **Document "order" SEPA":**

The "SEPA order" document (document available on the call website), where will be indicated the number from account current where would like receive the help [UPC Unite!](#), in case from concession. The account has from be from a bank office in Spain.

The call will go resolving to measure that arrive the requests (see section 6), as long as there is budgetary provision.

Submitting the application implies acceptance of the rules of this call, especially those set out in points 5 (beneficiary selection process) and 8 (beneficiary obligations) of this call.

The International Relations Office will inform you, via e-mail, of the receipt of the application as well as of any incorrect or missing documentation or information, if applicable.

6. Beneficiary selection process

In case that the amount from the help that would receive the requests presented and that if all the requirements were met and the available budget exceeded, these would be sorted in descending order, based on a score calculated as follows:

$$\text{Note average weighted} = \frac{\text{Note average from the student, with all the calls}}{\text{Note average from the degree}}$$

The score will be awarded by a Commission, which will be made up of the Vice-Rector for International Policy, the Deputy Directors of International Relations of the Centres with candidates and the Head of the International Relations Office, who will act as Secretary with a voice but no vote. The Commission may decide to invite experts to advise on the decisions. This Commission will only meet in case of doubts or conflicts.

7. Resolution

The applications submitted will be studied and resolved, at the latest, on the dates indicated in the following table:

Requests presented	Date maximum resolution
From: 1 st -15 th December 2025	10 th January 2026
From: 16 th December 2025 - 6 th January 2026	31 st January 2026
From: the 1 st -31 st January 2026	28 th February 2026
From: 1 st – 28 th February 2026	31 st March 2026
From: 1 st – 30 th March 2026	30 th April 2026
From: 1 st – 30 th April 2026	31 st May 2026
From: 1 st – 31 st May 2026	30 th June 2026
From: 1 st June – 1 st July 2026	31 st July 2026

The partial resolution will include all the applications submitted during the period indicated in the previous table, will be published in a list of NIF/NIE and will be notified electronically to the interested person.

In the event that there is a large volume of requests and it is not possible to resolve them within this period, the International Relations Office will inform you, via e-mail, of this circumstance and the estimated date of resolution that is expected.

All communications will be made via the email address provided in the e -secretariat. For this reason, applicants will be responsible for keeping this information updated.

Against this provisional partial resolution, applicants may submit allegations in the deadline maximum from 10 days natural counted to to leave of the publication of the resolution. The allegations must be submitted through the [UPC Electronic Office](#), through the link that will be indicated in the partial resolution. Subsequently, a definitive resolution will be published. which will exhaust the administrative route and before which a contentious administrative appeal may be lodged.

The list of grants awarded will be published indicating the names and surnames and the 4 digits located in the position from fourth to seventh when the document identifier is a NIF or, in the case of a NIE, those that occupy the fourth to seventh positions, ignoring the alphabetical character.

The list of denied aid will be published with the complete NIF or NIE and the reason for denial.

Those interested in a grant will receive a notification and must expressly accept the grant by responding to an email that will be sent to them.

8. Incompatibilities

The receipt of the grants established in this call is compatible with other grants or scholarships, as long as they are not intended to finance the same expense.

If the organization of the [Unite! activity](#) finances the student's travel or subsistence, these expenses will not be financed by the grant from this call.

It is **the applicant's responsibility** to find out about possible incompatibility between grants, if they are receiving another grant or scholarship.

9. Contracted Doctoral Students

In case from to be student from Doctorate hired, the concession from the help planned in this one call no exempt to the students of Doctorate hired how to staff from the UPC from **the obligation from request Leave of absence from work** , if applicable, in accordance with current regulations .

10. Obligations of beneficiaries

The beneficiaries of the grants undertake to:

10.1 Before to begin the stay

10.1.a. Acceptance of the UPC Unite ! grant

The beneficiary student must accept the UPC Unite ! grant in writing.

10.1.b. If applicable, inform and justify being a student with fewer opportunities.

After accepting the grant, the beneficiary student must indicate their situation to the International Relations Office, if applicable, to carry out the corresponding checks.

If the information is already included in their e-secretariat, students will not need to provide additional documentation. Otherwise, students will need to provide the corresponding supporting documents to prove it.

10.1.c. Report the current account number and SEPA order

Have informed the UPC International Relations Office of the Spanish bank account number into which the student wants the grant to be deposited and have submitted the "SEPA order" document, duly completed, corresponding to this bank account.

10.1.d. Medical and travel insurance

Have mandatory medical insurance that covers the student for their stay in the destination country.

Before starting their stay, the beneficiary will take out insurance and send a copy to the UPC's International Relations Office.

Important: If the document has not been deposited and validated when the time comes for mobility, The aid payment will not be made .

Under no circumstances will a certificate of being included in Social Security be valid. Only grants for retroactive stays that can prove that insurance has been arranged for the stay will be accepted.

The private insurance taken out by students must have the following mandatory benefits:

- Attention health, included the tests diagnostics and interventions surgical
- Coverage for accidents to the country from destination
- Repatriation in case from death
- Responsibility civilian

From from the UPC it is recommends hire one insurance Oncampus , that Students can contract by contacting Oncampus by email: informacion@oncampus.es , or by telephone: 981 55 36 14.

10.2 During the stay at the Unite ! activity

10.2.a. Respect the regulations of the destination institution, as well as the general legislation of the country of stay .

10.2.b. Participate in the activity [Unite!](#) in the one to which the student had been admitted and for which he or she had been granted the UPC Unite! grant.

10.3 On the return of mobility

10.3.a. Residence certificate

Submit a certificate of stay, issued by the receiving institution, to the UPC International Relations Office, stating the start and end dates of the stay. The certificate model is available on the call website.

10.3.b. Travel vouchers

Deliver the copies from the cards boarding or similar, of the transport used for trips to and from university [Unite!](#) headquarters of the activity.

Them beneficiaries, in everything case, also it is they compromise to:

10.3.c Return the full or proportional amount of the grant granted in the event of total or partial waiver or shortening the period of stay without any force majeure. Amounts unduly collected must also be returned in cases where a calculation error has occurred.

The no return of these amounts implies the suspension temporary of academic services.

If the student has not submitted the required documentation within 30 days, once the stay has ended, the grant will be revoked.

11. Payments

The payment of the aids to the students beneficiaries will be carried out from the next way:

- **One first payment from pre-financing before to start the stay** and having delivered the documentation indicated in point 10.1. The amount of this payment will correspond to **100% of the amount of the grant.**
- To the return, later to contribute the documentation indicated in the point 8.3., will be recalculated the amount from the help and, yes melted the case, it is would process one second payment or a refund for the difference in stay dates.

The amount of the supplement for students with fewer opportunities will be included in the total amount of the UPC [Unite!](#) grant paid before starting the stay.

In case that the duration end from the stay accredited in the certificate corresponding is lower than that initially indicated, the part corresponding to the time not worked will be deducted from the second payment of the grant.

In the event that the final duration of the stay accredited in the corresponding certificate of stay is less than that initially indicated, the student must return the corresponding amount.

These aids it is they find subjects to the legislation fiscal in force.

12. Modifications to stay dates

If there is a change in the dates on which the stay will take place, a motivated letter will be required. Likewise, the amount of the UPC [Unite!](#) grant payment will be recalculated ex officio , in accordance with the new dates, and this result will be notified to the student by email.

13. Information about data protection

Candidates are informed that the International Relations Office of the Polytechnic University of Catalonia will process their personal data in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679.

All information regarding data protection can be consulted on the website of the Polytechnic University of Catalonia at the following link:

<https://rat.upc.edu/ca/registre-de-tractaments-de-da-de-s-personals/F01.6>

14. Final disposition

Yes the stay woman place to publications, results, blogs , publications in networks social, etc., when the stay is mentioned it must be indicated at least once that it was carried out with the help of UPC Unite !.

Signed to Barcelona,

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Rector