

## The UNITECH Advantage



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## What is UNITECH?

Engage with the Programme

- Assessment Centre
- Start-Up Week (August/September)
- Academic exchange in one of the partner universities
- Mid-Term Week (January)
- Internship in one of the partner companies
- End-of-Year Event (August/September)





## Why UNITECH?

Connect with the network

- Many meetings
- General Assembly (August/September)
- Individual connections; networking
- Alumni events

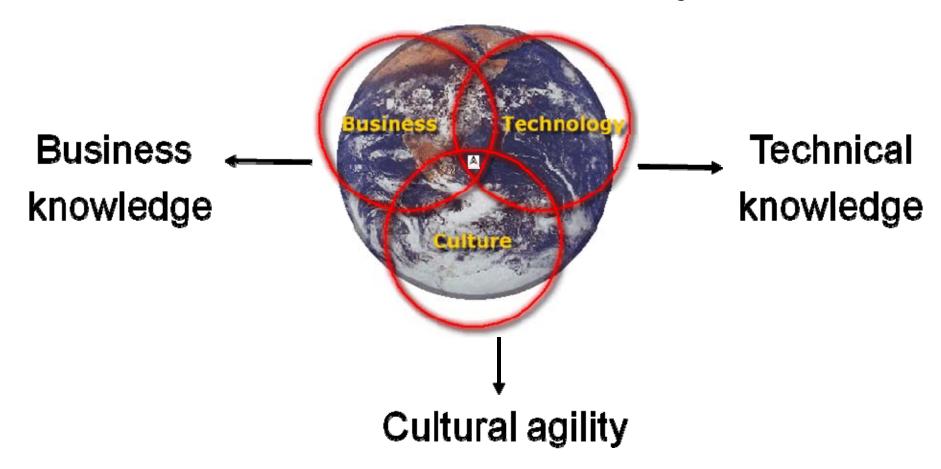


## → Gain Advantage on Two Levels



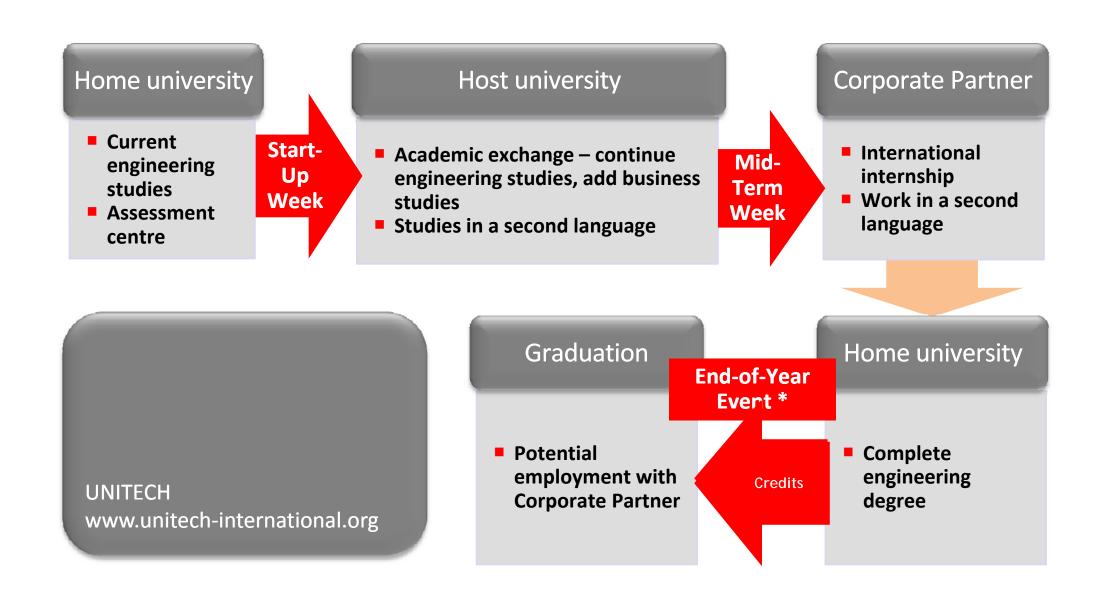
# Why UNITECH? The Driving Forces Behind UNITECH

A rapidly changing environment demands broader skills from tomorrow's engineers





## **UNITECH Programme Overview**





## The Wide and Varied UNITECH Network

#### 9 Academic Partners

## **CHALMERS**

Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich













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Advancing science for life













#### 20 Corporate Partners





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**GEBERIT** 















**VORWERK** 

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#### Students and Alumni

- 90 student places 2014/2015
- More than 400 active Alumni

UNITECH

International



## Key Opportunities for Interaction

#### Students - from the very start Assessment Other Corporate Partners Academic Partners Centre UAA local chapters Ideas Fair Start-Up Week Corporate Partner presentation Mid-Term Case Assignment Corporate Partner presentation Week 3 to 6 months Internship International aspect Challenging assignment End-of-Year Stakeholders' Fair Event Pre-selection interviews



## **Coaching**: Focus and Philosophy

### During the three modules we focus on:

- Developing ability to have early professional impact
- "Standing out while fitting in"
- Increasing speed of adjustment to different people and situations
- Developing personal leadership skills and style

### UNITECH Coaches work with this philosophy:

- Offering simple, short activities offering multiple learning opportunities
- Encouraging development through reflection
- Giving constructive feedback with empathy





## Example of Coaching Themes in Joint Module -1

#### Saturday

#### Strengthen Diversity!

Examine and emphasise diverse resources in group

#### Monday

#### Form the group!

Exercises that emphasise and define group working skills and dynamics

#### Sunday

#### Skill yourself up!

Core relational skills for dealing with people

#### Tuesday

#### Plan the work

 Focusing and prioritising time and talent in order to complete a task

#### Wednesday

#### Work the plan!

Putting it all into action in preparing a group task

#### Thursday

#### Make things happen!

- Group work on the task
- Delivery of the report to real clients

#### Friday

Set up your UNITECH year!



## Example of Coaching Themes in Joint Module-2

#### Monday

#### Reform the group!

Getting focused on the single task of the Case Assignment

#### Wednesday

#### Work the plan!

Putting it all into action in preparing for meeting the Case Assignment client

#### Friday

#### Testing your assumptions!

Presenting your strategy and intent to the Case Assignment client

#### Tuesday

#### Plan the work

Focusing and prioritising time and talent in order to complete the Case Assignment

#### Thursday

#### Make things happen!

 Developing the solution to the Case Assignment for the Case Assignment clients

The Case Assignment is completed by the group, who work virtually after the second module to deliver a report, which is assessed and graded for credit points towards graduation



## Example of Coaching Themes in Joint Module -3

#### Wednesday

#### Who are you now?

- Participating in guided reflection on the impact of their exchange and internship experience
- Sharing best practices

#### Thursday

## Make things happen through dialogue!

Developing refined, persuasive communication skills

#### Friday

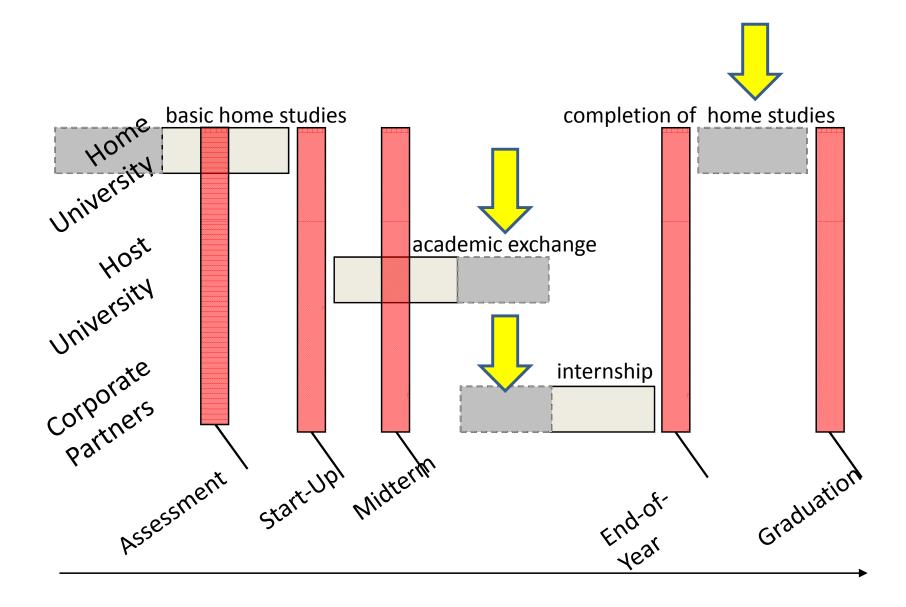
## Next steps for working the network!

Preparing individuals for career marketability and Alumni membership





## UNITECH - the **flexibility** and variety





## Who can participate? - Eligibility (1)

- Student of UPC in 2013-2014 (registered), of one of the participating schools/faculties: EETAC, EPSEB, EPSEM, EPSEVG, ETSECCPB, ETSEIAT, ETSEIB, ETSETB, FIB.
- Undergraduate (old programmes) or Master student.(Not Grado.)
- •Pending credits for 2014-2015 (not about to finish; will be a student of UPC during next academic year).



## Who can participate? - Eligibility (2)

- English proficiency
- •Willing to have an international experience; with multiple phases and exposure, and a longer length (not only one semester).



## Who can participate? - Eligibility (3)

Requisits específics de les escoles:

#### •ETSECCPB:

-Màsters: obert a tots els estudiants de màster de l'Escola (excepte Masters Erasmus Mundus) que tinguin tancat el M1.

-No s'oferirà als estudiants de Pla Vell perquè, per extinció del pla d'estudis, no dóna temps. (Els estudiants d'ETSECCPB han de cursar 90 ECTS amb el programa UNITECH i, en tornar, han de fer i defensar projecte i tesina a l'Escola de Camins).



## Who can participate? - Eligibility (4)

Requisits específics de les escoles:

#### •FIB:

- Els estudiants de l'antiga Enginyeria Informàtica (pla 2003) de 5 anys han de tenir pendents de cursar, com a màxim, entre 60 i 90 ECTS.
- Els estudiants de Màster han de tenir pendents de cursar, com a màxim, 60 ECTS.



## When? - (1)

### •Academic exchange:

- -Compulsory to start it in September 2014.
- -Very exceptionally :with previous authorization, in February'2015.

#### Placement:

- -After Midterm Week and the academic exchange.
- -Usually, from February-March'2015 on.
- -Depending on the placement that you will find.
- Location: not in a country of your mothertongue.



## When? – (2)

### •Total length:

- -Minimum one year.
- -Average: 1,5 year.
- -Maximum length (rule): completition in a maximum of 2 academic years.
- Not finish your home studies (continue to be a UPC student) while you are in the UNITECH Programme. Finish it at the end.



## **Application**

- •How to apply?
  - -On-line application.
  - -Register in the application tool
  - + upload the required documents (\*).
- When can I apply?
  - -deadline: 23rd January 2014.
- There is a selection process.



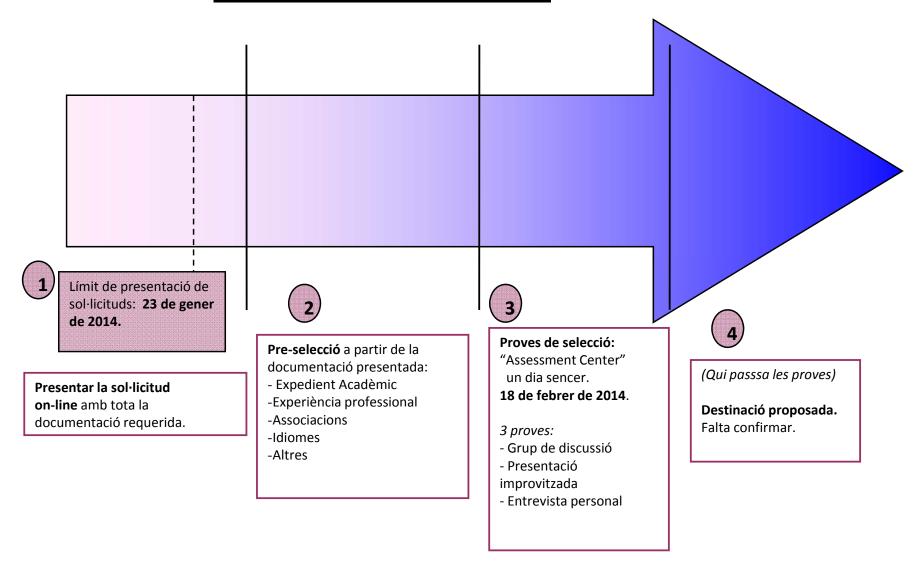
## **Selected** Programme Participants

Selected **Applicants** 

Selected **Candidates**  Selected **Participants** 



## **UNITECH -Selection Process**





## **Application:** until 23<sup>rd</sup> January (1)

Register in the UNITECH website
 → obtain a login and password.

 Upload the corresponding documents (see next slides).



## **Application:** until 23<sup>rd</sup> January (2)

- •Documents:
- -Transcript of records in English.
  You can download from "e-Secretaria" (through

"autorservei de documents") your transcript of records. Certificat de notes ECTS en anglès.

-Curriculum Vitae (CV) in English.

For example, you can use the Europass format.

-Certificates of language knowledge.

Official certificates, certificates of language schools, etc.

a- English knowledge.

b- If you have some knowledge of any other language (German, French, etc.), please add the corresponding certificates.



## **Application:** until 23<sup>rd</sup> January (3)

- Please answer **in English** the questions of the UNITECH application.
- -Please provide a **preliminary** (draft) study plan of the host universities selected.
- It is, a draft with the list of subjects that you want to take at the host university during your exchange (if selected). Management and/or technical subjects.
- You have to go to the websites of the host universities and look for the subjects.



## **Application:** until 23<sup>rd</sup> January (4)

- All UNITECH applications have to be done **through the on-line application**; in the UNITECH website.
- Please check with your home UPC school/faculty which are the specific internal requirements.



## **Application** and selection

Average figures of last years:

√ 50 applications of UPC students (different schools)

√18 preselected students
(participated in the Assessment Center)

√8-10 selected students



### Pre-selection

Applications will be assessed in a first phase with the documents uploaded.

#### Criteria:

 Academic performance (average mark and performance –"alfa").
 This is the basic criterion.

#### • Others:

language proficiency (English language, other languages), possible professional experience, etc.



## **Assessment Centre: 18th February**

- •The Assessment Centre is totally run in English.
- •It has 3 parts:
  - (Improvised) Group discussion
  - (Improvised) Individual presentation
  - -Personal interview
- •The Assessment Centre is done by the assessors. These are people from the UNITECH partner companies.
- •The date is not movable. Unique date. One full day.



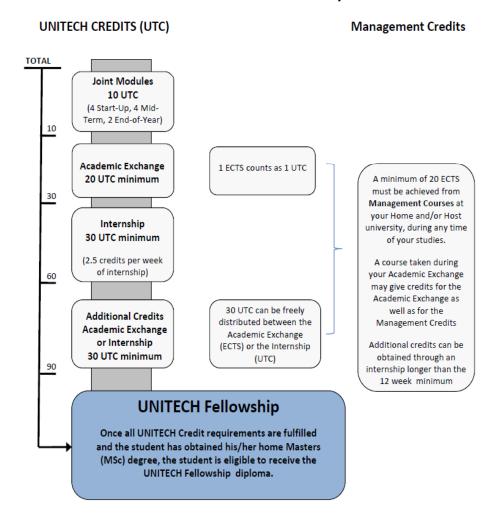
## **Host university** allocation

- Candidates can indicate in their application
   up to 3 options as host university.
- Allocation of host university will be done after, in a second step, in the weeks after the Assessment Centre. This allocation is done by the UNITECH central coordination and with the results of all Assessment Centres of the partner universities.



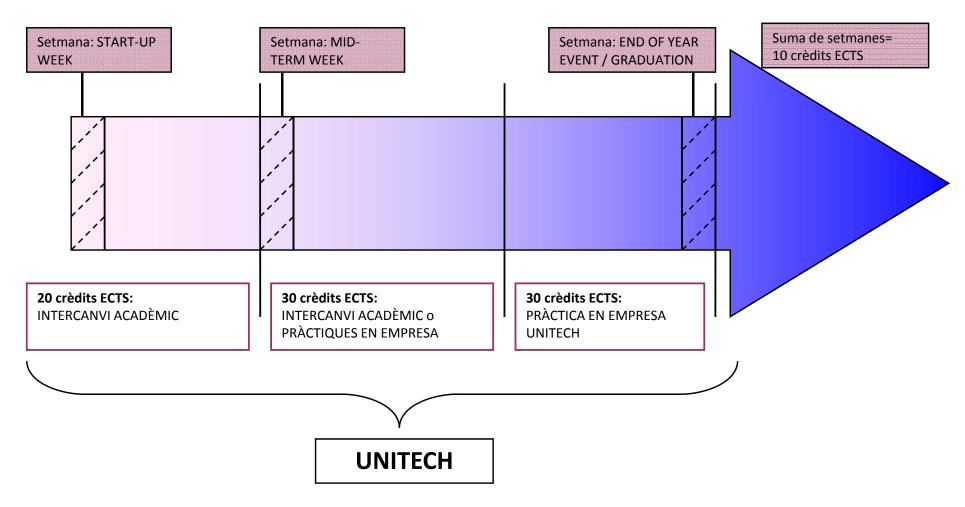
# UNITECH- <u>Credits</u> to obtain in the programme (1)

#### The UNITECH Credit System





# UNITECH – <u>Credits</u> to obtain in the programme (2)



REQUISIT ADDICIONAL→ Núm. mínim de crèdits Gestió (management) al final del programa: 20 crèdits.

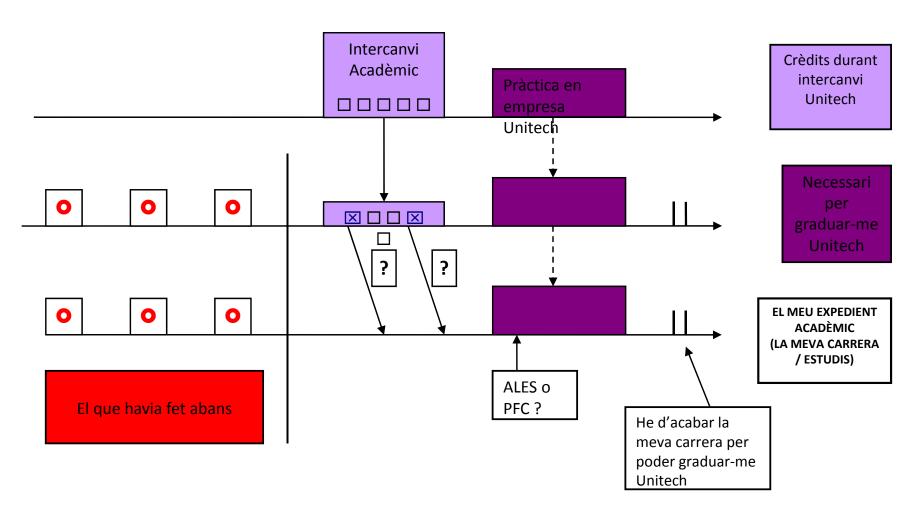
Els mòduls intermitjos valen en total: 10 crèdits

**NOTA:** tots els crèdits es mesuren en ECTS. S'hauran de convertir a locals, si escau.

UNITECH International Society – www.unitech-international.org



## UNITECH – <u>Credit recognition</u>. For UNITECH and for your home studies.



• = Assignatura de management a la universitat d'origen



## UNITECH – Important <u>dates</u> and <u>website</u> for application

Application: until 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2014

• Where? <u>www.unitech-international.org</u>

Assessment Center: 18<sup>th</sup> February 2014



## **UNITECH – Website and contact**

• Website:

www.unitech-international.org

(Also: <a href="www.upc.edu/sri">www.upc.edu/sri</a>)

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## **UNITECH Programme**

### THANK YOU!

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