Short courses

At the University of Granada we offer a wide variety of complementary academic and vocational training courses, ranging from postgraduate training, professional training, language training and academic writing, to the arts, hobbies, crafts, and sports. These courses are aimed at both undergraduate and postgraduate students, staff, and in many instances even non-university students and the public. Our free Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCS), for example, are open to all members of the public and many are available both in English and in Spanish.

Some courses have been designed with a view to enabling students to upgrade their academic skills and improve their mobility within international job markets. The Modern Languages Centre (CLM), Confucius Institute (Chinese), and “Russkiy Mir” Russian Centre, for instance, collectively help over 8,000 students a year to improve their foreign language skills. Meanwhile, other courses are more focused on cultivating personal and artistic development.

The following are just a few of the different and varied types of short duration courses you can take at the University of Granada:

Language courses

Students can learn Spanish and other languages alongside the 10,000 local and international students who enrol each year on courses offered by the UGR’s Modern Languages Centre (CLM), Confucius Institute (Chinese), and “Russkiy Mir” Russian Centre (Russian).

The Modern Languages Centre (CLM) is one of the leading institutions in Spain for language learning. Teaching staff are highly qualified, the administrative team is dedicated and effective, and the Centre boasts a wide range of services, a wealth of learning resources and endless extracurricular activities. CLM employs a thoroughly communicative approach, ensuring students learn Spanish in real-life situations. It offers general and intensive Spanish language courses for foreign students at all levels (A1-C2); language and culture courses; and Hispanic studies courses. Moreover, it runs courses in the following languages: English, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Swedish, Romanian, Arabic, and Persian.

The Confucius Institute, meanwhile, is committed to promoting the study of Chinese language and culture, and offers Chinese language classes at various levels, organises conferences on current affairs in China, runs the Chinese Film Festival, and http://www.ugr.es/en
holds seminars and workshops on Chinese culture, history, literature and thought.

The "Russkiy Mir" Russian Centre of the University of Granada promotes the study of Russian language, culture and history. The Centre offers an extensive range of language courses and regularly holds concerts, film screenings, conferences, book launches, and talks view a view to exploring current affairs, historical debates, and contemporary Russian culture.

**Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs)**

The University of Granada, through its Resource Production Centre for the Digital University (CEPRUD), provides Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCS) to students and the public alike. You can join all of the courses for free and complete them with the support of online instructors and specialists. If you complete 75% of the course contents and activities you can also earn a certificate of participation.

**MOOCs currently offered by the UGR in English and Spanish:**

- The Alhambra: History, Art and Heritage
- Federico García Lorca
- Sierra Nevada

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**Mediterranean Summer School**

The Mediterranean Summer School has a long and well-established background in offering short courses in a variety of disciplines and knowledge areas, including the health sciences, experimental sciences, social sciences, economics, law, humanities, and sports sciences. These courses are mainly delivered in the city of Granada, in the picturesque coastal towns of Almuñecar, Salobreña and Motril, and in the North African city of Ceuta, as well as in Guadix, Huéscar, and the Sierra Nevada.

**Vocational and arts courses**

The majestic Centro Cultural "Casa de Porras" (Casa del Estudiante), located in the scenic Albaicín quarter of the city, offers an impressive array of courses (a total of over 50 to choose from) in the following 5 areas: literature and the performing arts, crafts, graphic arts, lifestyle courses, and physical and mental well-being. These courses are also a great way to make lifelong friends in a fun learning environment.

**Sports courses**
The University of Granada’s Sports Centre (CAD) offers a comprehensive and varied range of activities, encompassing six main categories: racket sports, body and mind, fitness, dance, mountain sports and water sports. These courses — of which there are over 50 in total — are open to both members of the UGR and the public. The extensive choice on offer at our Centre means that you can pursue activities that you are already passionate about, or take up new and exciting sports.

**University Film Club**

The University Film Club (Cine Club Universitario) gives you the opportunity to explore the history of film, the evolution of cinematic language and enhance your knowledge of film-making and cinematography. The Club runs a unique series of thematic film screenings every month of the academic year and delivers cinematography courses and workshops. These activities are open to both members of the university community and the public.

**Entrepreneurship courses**

The overall goal of UGRemprendedora — the General Coordination for Entrepreneurship at the UGR — is to foster entrepreneurship and innovation at our university, with a view to making significant socio-economic contributions to our community and to society. It runs programmes and courses in areas such as design thinking, market analysis, social entrepreneurship, career support, start-up management and the acquisition of entrepreneurship skills. Moreover, the Centre runs competitions and provides funding opportunities for start-ups and individuals with innovative projects, thereby enabling them to turn their ideas into a reality.

**International School for Postgraduate Studies**

The International School for Postgraduate Studies offers practical training courses with a view to helping postgraduates to develop their professional and academic skills. The School runs thesis writing courses and teaching methodology courses. All of these courses are designed with the overarching objective of promoting the employability and research skills of postgraduate students and academic staff at the UGR.