Universitat Jaume I (UJI) – 2025 / 2026 Info

	Exchange Students at the Universitat Jaume I
SEMESTERS	**ORIENTATION:** one week before the start date for Semester 1, and 4 days before for Semester 2. **SEMESTER 1** (Autumn): from 8th of September 2025 to 21st of January 2026 (exams from 7h to 21st January 2026 approximately). **SEMESTER 2** (Spring): from 22thof January 2026 to 9th June 2026 (exams from 20th May to 9th June 2026). 2nd Call of exams: from 10th June to 3rd July 2026, approximately Note: if your semester at you home universty starts before UJI exam period ends, you can ask UJI professors to take exams earlier. The final decision is up to every professor.
LANGUAGE	We can admit students with a A2 in Spanish.
COURSES	**IF STUDENTS ARE PROFICIENT IN SPANISH:** They are allowed to take any course from any degree (no restrictions). Syllabuses are available at SIA (in Spanish or Catalan; also in English if the course is taught in this language). There you will find full info about every course, its semester, its credits, exam dates, the professors, language of instruction, etc.). Please, select Castellano language on the top-right. To see the programme of a course, just click on it and then select on the column on the left "Guia Docente", sometimes it also is available in English. **IF STUDENTS AREN'T PROFICIENT IN SPANISH**: They should take courses taught in English. We offer them in the following areas: Additionally, the Bachelor's Thesis can be produced in English on most degree courses. We have a few courses that are taught entirely in English. **Please have a look** https://www.uji.es/serveis/ori/base/incoming/orientacio/estudiar_uji/aspectes_academics/ Almost all courses at the UJI have 6 ECTS credits. Local students take 30 ECTS/semester. We are very flexible with exchange students, and we do not oblige them to take a minimum number of credits. We normally advise exchange students to take the **Intensive/Semi-intensive Spanish course + 2 or 3 additional courses if they are not proficient in Spanish.** **You can change courses until one month after the semester start.**

ACCOMMODATION	**2 ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS** (all options include expenses): 1) **SHARED FLATS**: Approx. €150-250/month (no meals or bills included) in a flat shared with other students. We advise students to book a hotel for 2-4 days and look for a flat once here. This is the list of flats currently available for students: https://www.uji.es/perfils/estudiantat/v2/uji/vida-universitaria/allotjament/#bolsa You can also find offers on Facebook before you come; search for **Intercanvia't Ori (https://www.facebook.com/intercanviat.ori.5/)** and become our friend. 2) **PRIVATE HALL OF RESIDENCE ON CAMPUS**: Approx. €556/month (with breakfast and one meal). Rooms are equipped with a kitchenette. Students should contact castellon@residencias-estudiantes.com See:https://www.residencias-estudiantes.com/en/student-residences-castellon
NOMINATION DEADLINES	SEMESTER 1: **15th of June** SEMESTER 2: **15th of November** We will accept later nominations upon partner request. Application deadline: two weeks after nominations. We send students all the information by email once they are nominated.
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EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS	**For EMERGENCIES, call 112** **On campus security guards: +34964729191**
INTENSIVE SPANISH COURSES	There are two **intensive Spanish courses:** 1) The intensive Spanish course (virtual edition) starts at the beginning of each semester. Students take a test to place them in the right level. The course comprises 45 hours and is taught at different levels (A1, A2, B1 and B2), three hours a day, five days a week, over three weeks. Classes can be taken in the morning or in the afternoon. The price for them is €116 (+5€). 2) The semi-intensive Spanish course (virtual edition) starts after the intensive course has finished. Students' progress to the next level. This course runs for

	two months and a half, for a total of 70 hours, 3 hours per day, 3 days a week, and the levels taught are A1, A2, B1 and B2, and C1. The price is €171 (+5€). **These credits can be included in your academic transcript. Ask us about it when you have arrived at the UJI.** You can find all the information about these courses using the link below: https://www.uji.es/serveis/slt/base/formacio/cursos/cele/ If you have any queries, do not hesitate to contact us at infocal@uji.es
INFO FOR INCOMING STUDENTS	For general information for incoming students, please visit: https://www.uji.es/serveis/ori/base/incoming/orientacio/ **http://www.international.uji.es/**
HOW TO GET TO CASTELLÓ?	**The UNIVERSITAT JAUME I is in CASTELLÓ (Valencian Community).** The nearest airport is in Castelló (CDT), 40 km away. In addition, Valencia (VLC) is very convenient, 65 km away. However, you can also fly to others such as Barcelona (BCN), 300 km away; Madrid (MAD), 500 km away, or Alicante (ALC), 250 km away. This means you have various options, and you should decide depending on the weight of your luggage, the fare, the travel time, and the number of transfers: **1) From Castelló airport (CDT)** Castelló has just got an airport and began operating in September 2015 from London Stansted (STN) and Bristol (BRS). To get to the city of Castellon de la Plana from the airport you can take a taxi (€35-45) or a bus (€12, but you have to reserve the bus online otherwise it will not stop at the airport). Estimated time 30 min. **2) From Valencia airport (VLC)** You have 2 options: A) Taxi to Castelló (65 Km): approximately € 85-100 (price shown by the taximeter, but it should not exceed €100). Estimated journey time: 50 min. B) A direct metro from the airport of Valencia to the stop called Xàtiva, in front of the **Valencia Estació del Nord** Railway Station-RENFE (a one-way metro ticket costs €4, and the estimated journey time is 25 minutes). At Valencia Estació del Nord Railway Station, buy a train ticket to Castelló de la Plana at the ticket windows or at the machines (tickets for trains called "**CERCANÍAS/RODALIES**" are cheaper). There are frequent trains to Castelló:

	approximately every 20 minutes on working days and every hour at weekends. A one-way ticket costs €5.80 and the journey takes about 1 hour 15 minutes). The rough total price of this option is €11,60. **3) <u>From Barcelona airport (BCN)</u>** There is a non-stop train from Terminal T2 at the airport to **Barcelona-Sants Railway Station-RENFE** (a one-way ticket is €5,90 and the estimated journey time is 30 minutes). At Sants Railway Station, buy a train ticket to Castelló de la Plana at the long distance windows ("Llarga Distància"). Trains to Castelló run frequently - almost every hour (you should book well in advance on Sundays and public holidays, since trains tend to get quite busy). The price is between €20-40. The estimated journey time is between 2 and 3 and a half hours, depending on the type of train you take. Train types and timetables can be consulted at www.renfe.com. You can also buy your ticket online on this site, but remember that if you do this and you arrive late, you will lose it. **4) <u>From Madrid airport (MAD)</u>** You have 2 options: A) By train to Castelló. Go to Terminal T4 at the airport and take the train RENFE C1 (they run frequently, every 30 minutes) and get off at Atocha Railway Station (a one-way ticket is €2.60, and the estimated journey time is 30 minutes). At this station, ask for **Madrid Puerta de Atocha** (a 2-minute walk away). From Madrid Puerta de Atocha Railway Station-RENFE, take a high-speed train (AVE) to Valencia Joaquín Sorolla Station. There are AVEs almost every hour. The price is between €29-73. The estimated journey time is 1 hour 45 minutes. You can buy tickets at the station, and you can check the train types and timetables at www.renfe.com. You can also buy your ticket online on this site, but remember that if you do this and you arrive late, you will lose it. Once you are at Valencia Joaquín Sorolla Railway Station, you have 2 options: A.1) Take a train to Castelló from this station. Trains run approximately every 2-3 hours (a one-way train ticket costs from €7 to €20, and the estimated journey time is between 45 minutes and 1 hour). A.2) Change station by taking a free bus to the Valencia Estació del Nord Railway Station-RENFE just 1 minute away (the buses run every 5 minutes). Once there, buy a train ticket to Castelló de la Plana at the windows or at the machines (tickets for trains called "**CERCANÍAS**" are cheaper). Trains to Castelló run frequently: approximately every 20 minutes on working days and every hour at weekends. A one-way ticket costs €5.80 and the journey takes about 1 hour 15 minutes). B) By non-stop bus to Castelló from the T4 (arrivals platform) or T1 (bus parking area) terminals with the company Auto Res-Avanza. A one-way ticket

	costs around €35, and the estimated journey time is 6 hours 30 minutes). You can check the schedules and the terminal on http://www.venta.avanzabus.com/. You can buy tickets online, but remember that if you do so and you arrive late, you will lose it, so it might be better to buy it on the bus. You will arrive at Castelló Bus and Railway Station. **5) From Alicante airport (ALC)** Take the C6 Subus bus (in the departures avenue on the 2nd floor) straight from the airport to Alicante Railway Station (a one-way bus ticket costs € 3.85, and the estimated journey time is 15 minutes). At the RENFE-railway station in Alicante, buy a train ticket to Castelló de la Plana at the windows. There are trains approximately every 2 hours until 18.25 (the last one). The price ranges from €20 to €36. The estimated journey time is 2 hours 30 minutes. Visit www.renfe.com to check the trains and timetables. You can buy your ticket online, but remember that if you do this and you arrive late, you will lose it.
HOW TO GET TO THE UJI?	Getting to the UJI from Castelló Train and Railway Station-RENFE is very easy. Just take the tram or the bus in front of the station. The journey takes 5 minutes, and the fare is €1.05. We will be willilng to help you at the INTERNATIONAL OFFICE (ORI) upon your arrival. We are open Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Our phone numbers are +34 964 3870/73/63/58 and our e-mail is incoming@uji.es During 20-21 we will only accept students with an appointment that we can arrange by email. You will find a UJI map at the link below: https://ujiapps.uji.es/ade/rest/storage/B7YXMCZ6SE0JVSF98YXUNS4EMICRV0KR Here is the International Relations Office location: https://maps.app.goo.gl/mNAZTwyHgpfAg37V9
THE UJI	Around 300 international students choose to study on exchange at the Universitat Jaume I every year, primarily for seven reasons that set us apart from other universities in Spain: - A well-structured single campus - Interesting courses - Warm and personalized attention - A very safe university and city - Nice weather and excellent beaches - Low cost of living - New technologies always available on campus

	Please watch this video: https://www.uji.es/serveis/ori/base/incoming/perque_uji/
THE CITY	Castelló de la Plana (or simply Castelló or in Spanish, Castellón) is a city on the Mediterranean coast with beautiful sandy beaches all along its coastline and orange groves. It is a small but modern provincial capital with everything you might need. Its moderate size (180,000 inhabitants) makes it the perfect place to live, with the best of a big city (cultural events, shops, nightlife, facilities and local amenities) and a small town (Spanish traditions, relaxed lifestyle, integration with locals and nature). It is a very safe city, and much cheaper than larger cities such as Madrid, Valencia or Barcelona. The UJI is only a 20-minute walk from the city centre or a 10-minute ride by tram/bus. The tram links the UJI with the beach in a journey that takes just 25 minutes. Please watch this video of the city of Castelló: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dw--cZCxjOU
THE WEATHER	Thanks to the city's location on the Mediterranean coast, the weather in Castelló is very pleasant for most of the year. It is warm in summer and the temperatures in winter are mild. There is little rainfall and always plenty of sun!

COST OF LIVING	Here is an estimate of your possible monthly living expenses: **- Accommodation (electricity, Internet, etc., included) and meals:** Shared flat: €150-250/month (rental) + €200/month on meals approx + bills Private hall of residence on campus: /www.residencias-estudiantes.com/en/res5/residencias-de-estudiantes-castellon. €415/month (without meals + internet). You have the option of 1) cooking using the kitchenette inside your room (estimate for your own meals €200/month), which makes a total of €615/month; or 2) arranging half board (€556/month from Monday to Friday only) and cooking dinner and meals at weekends estimate for your own meals €150/month = a total of €706/month; or 3) arranging full board (from Monday to Friday only) for €627/month and cooking meals at weekends, estimate for your own meals 80€/month, which makes a total of €707. (The hall of residence does not provide you with sheets or kitchenware, and does not provide meals on holidays. Water and electricity cost are not included). It is necessary to pay a deposit depending on the selected modality. **- Transport:** €25-35/month **- Personal expenses:** €100/month **- Books:** around €100/semester You can eat at the University at one of our four refectories on campus. There is a **set menu for less than €6** (having lunch at a restaurant in the city would cost between €8-15 on week days). Fruit and vegetables are very cheap in Spain. Clothes are also cheap. We advise you to have around **€600/month to be able to live comfortably**.
SHOPS	Opening hours depend on whether it is a big company (open Monday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.) or a small shop (Monday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. and from 5 to 8 p.m.). Castelló has an outdoor market in the city centre and a shopping mall called La Salera, which is a 25-minute walk or a 10-minute bus ride from the campus. You will also find several shops on our campus (optician's, photocopying shop, bank and bookshop, among others) and there is a supermarket just opposite the entrance to the campus. The University Library is open from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. from Monday to Friday, and from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays. It is also open all night long (24 hours a day) during exam periods.

BANKS	The Banco de Santander office on campus offers our international students the opportunity to open a bank account free of charge. Bank opening hours in Spain are from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday to Friday.
CULTURE	Many cultural events and activities take place in Castelló and at the UJI: theatre, exhibitions, museums, concerts, etc. Our International Office also organizes a comprehensive programme of activities for exchange students each semester, with excursions, Spanish cultural activities such as Spanish cooking or cinema, etc. to make your stay a very pleasant one. You can see an example at the link below: https://www.uji.es/serveis/ori/base/incoming/orientacio/integracio_cultura/activitat_cultural/
SPORTS	There are many sports options on campus. The UJI has soccer fields, basketball courts, an athletics track, tennis and paddle tennis courts, gyms, etc. You can take courses in Pilates, step, bodyweight, dance, capoeira, aerobic, karate, judo, and swim in the new indoor swimming pool. In addition, you can do many other sports that the UJI offers off campus, such as diving, sailing, hiking, horse riding, skiing, caving, trekking, roller skating, and more. We will help you to make your choice and enrol after you arrival.
HOLIDAYS	**SEMESTER 1:** - 12th of September, 9th of October, 12th of October, 6th of December, 8th of December. - Christmas: from 24th of December to 6th of January. If you want, you can celebrate it with a Spanish family. Ask us how! **SEMESTER 2:** - 27th of February. - Castelló's local festival (Magdalena 2026): from 7th to 15nd March 2026. If you are here in the second semester, you will be able to experience our amazing traditional local festival, with plenty of cultural events, concerts, gastronomy and Spanish and Valencian traditions. - Easter: from 2nd to 12th of April. - 1st of May. **SUMMER HOLIDAYS:** from mid-June to the end of August

ASSISTANCE	We will assign you a lecturer who will be your tutor, and he/she will advise and assist you academically during your stay. Moreover, if you would like a Spanish friend upon your arrival, we can assign you a mentor. This is the best way to make a local friend and learn more about our culture and traditions. Make the most of it and become a mentee!
SOCIAL LINKS	Join our **Facebook** group, **intercanvia't Ori**, to keep you up to date, get to know other students, find accommodation, etc. We also have **WhatsApp** : we create WhatsApp groups to communicate quickly and effectively with all international students and notify them of everything important in real time. We will send you the link once you pre register with us.
HEALTH INSURANCE	Remember you must arrange your own medical insurance to cover your entire stay. We advise you to bring the European Health Card or one with similar characteristics.
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