Key Dates 18/19

Term dates:
- **Fall**: September 3rd to December 20th
- **Spring**: January 7th to May 24th

Orientation: Orientation for both semesters is given on arrival

Expected Arrival Date:
- **Fall**: End of August
- **Spring**: Beginning of January

**Fall Semester Deadlines:**
- Nomination from Partner University: February 15th - March 30th
- Student Online Application to IEU: April 16th - 30th
- Acceptance Letter issued by IEU: mid - June
- Enrollment: mid-July

**Spring Semester Deadlines:**
- Nomination from Partner University: August 31st – September 21st
- Student Online Application to IEU: September 25th - October 5th
- Acceptance Letter issued by IEU: early November
- Enrollment: December

Transcripts to be released: Fall (February)/Spring (June)
Nomination instructions

- Coordinators are required to nominate their students according to their study field at Home University.
- *Special Academic Needs* should be notified in the nomination form, so we can make the proper academic accommodations.
- Campus changes will not be permitted after students are officially admitted and all documents have been issued.

Academic offer & Course Restrictions

During enrollment, students are required to register most of the courses based on their study area, being able to take some credits from a different study field (depending on availability and timetable clashes).

The list of courses offered to undergraduate exchange students will be provided in the nomination instructions e-mail.

*Campus of nomination according to study area:*

- **Madrid:** Business Administration - Law - International Relations [upper level](#)
- **Segovia:** Business Administration – Law - International Relations [lower level](#) Communication – Psychology – Architecture (*only in Fall semester*) [all levels](#)

*Upper level = 3rd, 4th, 5th & elective courses; Lower level = 1st and 2nd year courses*

Entry Requirements

Exchange students should be in good academic standing in their own university and comply with our application process deadlines. Architecture students need to provide their portfolio during the application.

Language Requirements

IE University requires all applicants to demonstrate competence in the English language by providing one of the following certificates:

| TOEFL 80 (iBT) / IELTS 6.5 / CAE / CPE |

* If English is the student’s native language it is not necessary to provide a certificate.

**If English is the student’s language of instruction at their home institution they do not need to provide an official certificate. A confirmation letter from their home institution will be accepted instead.

For students wishing to take courses in Spanish, they need to prove a minimum level of B2 CEFR. Please note that there is a reduced offer for Spanish taught classes.
IEU Grading system

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<td>HONORS - Exceptional academic achievement</td>
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<td>GOOD - Generally sound work with a number of minor errors</td>
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<td>SATISFACTORY - Fair but with significant shortcomings</td>
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Class format

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*IEU Labs are optional. There is a mandatory intensive period in June.

IEU Enrollment – Fast facts

1ECTS credit = 25 hours of work, including classes and related academic activities.

Maximum ECTS credits per semester: 30 + 3 language credits. *Minimum enrollment credits are set by home institutions.

First come first serve system applies during enrollment and we cannot guarantee the availability of any course!

Some courses have prerequisites and students need to make sure they comply with them before enrolling. Academic information such as syllabi will be available on IE Campus (blackboard) to which students will receive access upon admission.

Language courses:

Students who are interested in taking a language course at IEU need to complete a placement test to receive the correct authorization of enrollment according to their level.

Add & Drop:

Starts on the first day of class in both semesters and students will have approximately a month to make enrollment adjustments. They will receive 3 additional enrollment tries but they have to be aware of the 20% A&D rule. After more than 20% of the sessions have passed, courses can no longer be added or dropped.

Attendance & Absences:

Attendance to at least 70% of classes is mandatory! Schedule overlap higher than 30% is not allowed due to the absence policy.

If students reach the 30% absence limit, they are required to contact the corresponding bachelor to justify the absences. Failure to justify these absences will translate into a failed class.
IE University – *Amigo Network*

The Amigo Network offers incoming students the support of our volunteer student *buddies*. In this program, our volunteers personally show incoming students the ropes around campus and local city life during the first month of their experience at IE University. Detailed information will be provided during the online application process where students will be able to choose to be part of this useful resource.

IE University – *Mentoring and Counseling*

The IEU Mentoring & Counseling department provides resources and support to help students achieve and maintain an equilibrium between their academic obligations, extracurricular activities and social life. International students who experience distress or have issues adjusting to Spain can refer to our Head Mentors to seek guidance.

IE University - *Student Services*

The Student Services department supports students with immigration and relocation procedures, aiming to make the transition to Spain a bit smoother.

**Immigration:** The International Mobility department provides international students, who require a study visa for their exchange, the official admission letter (in Spanish) directed to their corresponding Spanish consulates.

**Medical Insurance:** Health insurance coverage is necessary for all students in Spain but more so for international students, who apply for a student visa, as they will be asked to provide this during the visa application process.

Living in **Madrid** or **Segovia**: Students are advised to start their accommodation search early, as soon as they know what campus they are nominated to. Looking into housing options early will ensure a better fit for student’s needs and expectation.

IE University - *Campus Life*

Campus Life coordinates extracurricular life and helps students integrate into the IEU Community. They are in charge of Sports, Debates, Social Clubs, Academic Clubs, Entrepreneurship and the Arts Institute.