

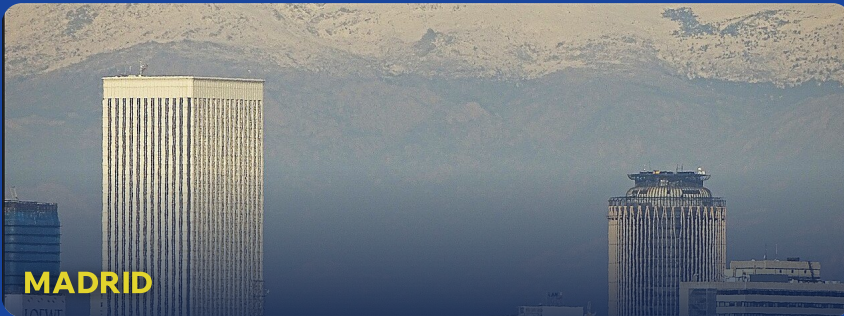


PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES & BUSINESS SCHOOLS **SPAIN**

PRIVATE / GAC ROUTE · 2026/27 INTAKE

ABOUT SPAIN

- This guide covers Spain's **private universities and business schools** — English-taught and globally connected, with **Madrid** as the capital.
- Home to **world-top MBA schools** like IE, ESADE and IESE.
- Programmes are **industry-focused** with strong employability.
- **English** is the language of instruction across these programmes.
- The **Euro (€)** is the official currency.
- Some of the most popular student cities:



INDIA TO SPAIN

CURRENCY

Euro (€) · 1 EUR ≈ ₹100 (indicative)

Delhi	≈ 9h 30m	Spain
Mumbai	≈ 9h 00m	Spain
Bengaluru	≈ 11h 00m	Spain
Chennai	≈ 11h 30m	Spain
Hyderabad	≈ 10h 30m	Spain

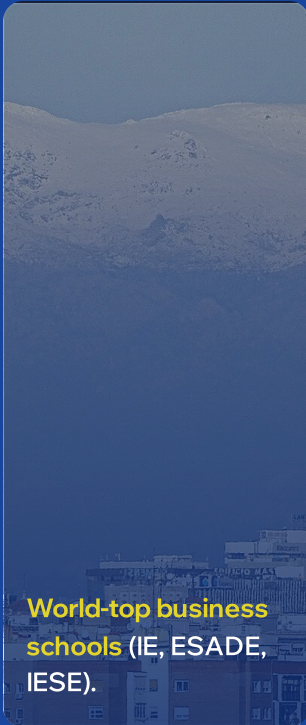


FACTS

- Capital: **Madrid**
- Flight distance: ~7,000 km
- Time zone: **CET (UTC+1)**
- Tuition: €6,000–30,000 / yr
- Proof of funds: ~€7,200 / yr
- Main intakes: **Sep · Jan**

Private-university / business-school figures. Figures indicative; verify per intake.

WHY STUDY IN SPAIN?



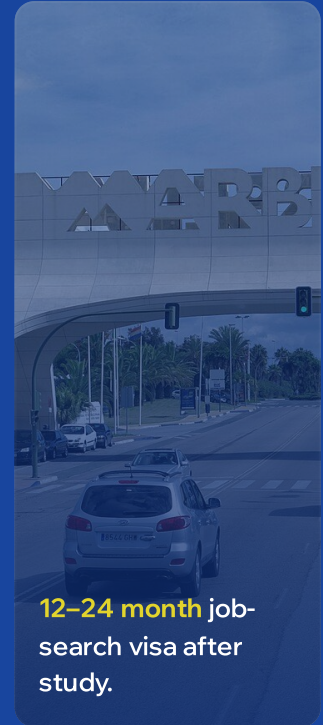
World-top business schools (IE, ESADE, IESE).



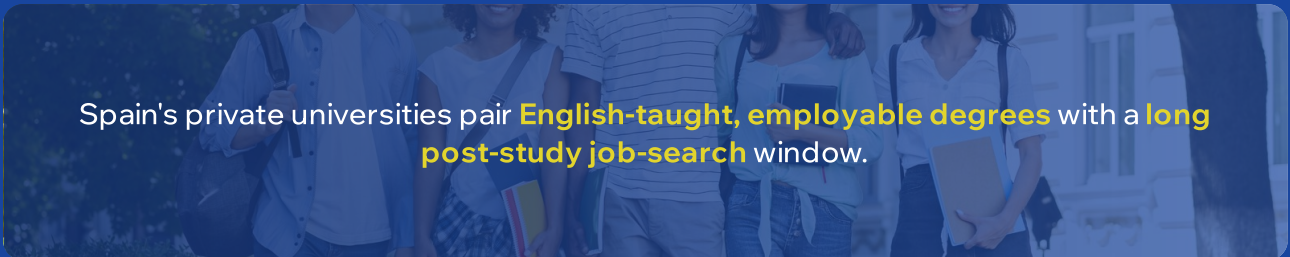
English-taught, career-focused degrees.



Strong employability and global alumni networks.



12-24 month job-search visa after study.



Spain's private universities pair **English-taught, employable degrees** with a **long post-study job-search** window.

TYPES OF INSTITUTIONS

- This brochure covers Spain's private, tuition-charging institutions.
- They fall into three broad groups:



PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES

English-taught, career-focused institutions.



BUSINESS SCHOOLS

World-ranked MBA and management schools.



DESIGN & CREATIVE SCHOOLS

Fashion, design and communication.



TOP UNIVERSITIES

- Spain hosts several **globally recognised** universities.
- Admission is **merit-based** and competitive.

IE University**MADRID / SEGOVIA**

Top-ranked for business and innovation.

ESADE Business School**BARCELONA**

World-leading MBA and management.

IESE Business School**BARCELONA / MADRID**

Elite global business school.

Universidad Europea**MADRID / VALENCIA**

Broad English-taught private university.

EU Business School**BARCELONA**

International business and management.

Schiller International University**MADRID**

American-style English-taught degrees.

Indicative selection — confirm each programme's entry requirements and intake before applying.

POPULAR FIELDS OF STUDY

- Spain's private schools lead in **business, MBA and design**.



BUSINESS & MBA

World-class management programmes.



INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Diplomacy and global affairs.



COMPUTER SCIENCE & AI

Software, data and AI.



DESIGN & FASHION

Fashion, product and communication.



HOSPITALITY & TOURISM

Luxury and hospitality management.



LAW & FINANCE

International law and finance.

TUITION & COSTS

- Private universities charge tuition, but offer **English-taught, highly employable** programmes.

Bachelor's (private)
per year

€6,000–15,000

Master's (private)
per year

€10,000–20,000

MBA (top schools)
full programme

€30,000–90,000

Living costs
per year

€10,000–15,000

Proof of funds for visa

~€7,200 / yr



Many private schools offer **merit scholarships** of 10–40% for strong applicants.

COST OF LIVING

- Madrid and Barcelona cost more; smaller cities are cheaper to live in.

Accommodation residence / shared flat	€500–900
Food & groceries	€250–350
Transport student travel pass	€20–55
Health & insurance private cover	€50–90
Phone, internet & leisure	€150–200
Estimated monthly total	~€1,000–1,500

Figures indicative for 2026 — costs vary between the capital and smaller cities.

SCHOLARSHIPS & FUNDING

- Private universities and business schools offer their own merit-based scholarships.

School Merit Scholarships

INSTITUTIONAL

Tuition discounts at private schools.

MBA Fellowships

INSTITUTIONAL

Awards for strong MBA candidates.

Diversity / Women in Business

INSTITUTIONAL

Targeted private-school awards.

Early-Bird Waivers

INSTITUTIONAL

Discounts for early applications.

Eligibility, deadlines and amounts change each cycle — confirm on the official scholarship pages.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

BACHELOR'S

- **12 years** of schooling with a strong Class 12 record.
- **IELTS 6.0–6.5** or equivalent.
- Motivation letter and references.
- Apply directly to each institution.

MASTER'S

- A recognised **bachelor's degree** in a relevant field.
- **IELTS 6.5**; GMAT/GRE for top MBAs.
- SOP, CV and references.
- Relevant work experience for MBA programmes.

INTAKES

- **September** — main intake at most schools
- **January** — strong second intake
- **Rolling** — business schools admit in multiple rounds

STUDENT VISA & FUNDS

1

OFFER & ACCEPTANCE

Accept your offer and pay the deposit.

2

PROOF OF FUNDS

Show ~€600/month (100% IPREM).

3

APPLY AT CONSULATE

Apply for the national (Type D) student visa.

4

DOCUMENTS & BIOMETRICS

Submit documents and give biometrics.

5

APPROVAL & TRAVEL

Receive approval and travel to Spain.

6

TIE CARD

Apply for the foreigner ID card (TIE) after arrival.

WORK & POST-STUDY

- Students may work **30 hours a week**, then stay **12-24 months** to find work after graduating.

Part-Time Work

30 HRS/WEEK

Generous student work allowance.

Job-Search Visa

12-24 MONTHS

Stay to find work or start a business.

Work & Residence Permit

SKILLED ROUTE

Convert once you have a job offer.

In-Demand Sectors

GROWTH AREAS

Business, tech, tourism and finance.

HOW TO APPLY

1

SHORTLIST

Choose private universities or business schools.

2

PREPARE DOCUMENTS

Transcripts, IELTS, SOP and references.

3

APPLY

Apply directly to each institution.

4

OFFER & DEPOSIT

Accept your offer and pay the deposit.

5

VISA

Apply for the Type D student visa at the consulate.

6

DEPARTURE

Arrange housing and apply for the TIE.



Your Spain study journey — one step at a time.