



Student visa

How to work in Barcelona

Non-EU Citizens:

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- Stay permit, not residence
- Does not count towards citizenship
- For Non-EU citizens
- Study program requirements:
 - In-Person (can't be online)
 - Minimum duration: 20h/week
 - Authorized educational center
 - Obtaining a diploma or certificate

Different types

- 90 days course or less: TOURIST VISA
- 90-180 days course: STUDENT VISA (no TIE)
- + 180 days course: STUDENT VISA (with TIE) + Criminal Records + Medical Certificate





Application process

- From your country of origin, at the Spanish consulate
- Directly from Spain (within the first 60 days)



Main requirements

- Passport
- Proof of sufficient economic funds. 100% of the IPREM (7.200€) + 75% of the IPREM extra for an additional relative, and 50% more for subsequent ones.
- Private health insurance, without copayments and with full coverage in Spain.
- Criminal records certificate in case your course takes more than 180 days. Must be legalized and apostilled, and issued a maximum of 90 days before your application.
- Proof of admission from the center you will start studying

Can I work while studying?

Difference for students who applied **before 16th of August 2022** vs those who obtained their visa after the Immigration Update

Before the immigration update:

- You could work for a maximum duration of 20h/week
- As long as you obtained a job offer, compatible with your studies and lecture hours
- Application directed to the Generalitat de Catalunya
- 3 months to get your resolution
- Also required to submit documents from the hiring company

After the immigration update, YES, you can work considering:

- Your job must be compatible with your studies and lecture hours
- Maximum duration: 30h/week
- Your perceived salary cannot be your main source of income
- For higher education studies

And **then?**

Studies not completed:

- Student visa renewal

Studies completed:

- Before the 16th of August, 2022: Modification to regular work permit
- After the 16th of August:
 - Modification to regular work permit
 - Internship visa
 - Job seeker visa / búsqueda de empleo
 - Highly qualified worker visa
 - Entrepreneur visa
 - Digital Nomad Visa





Student visa renewal

- Pass previous course
- Related to your studies
- Show sufficient financial means (7.200€), which must be in a Spanish bank account
- Hire private health insurance (must be Spanish)

Working with your student visa

How it was before the 16th of August 2022:

- In Catalonia, application at the Generalitat de Catalunya
- You had to demonstrate you completed your studies/courses
- Only after 3 years in Spain on a student visa
- Job offer required
- Documents from the hiring company were also required
- 3 months to get a response





Options after the 16th August 2022



Modifying into a work permit

("modificación por cuenta ajena / cuenta propia)

- Application at the Generalitat de Catalunya
- Starting after you complete your studies
- 60 days before / 90 days after
- Main requirement: find a job offer or develop your own business project
- Work permit for 1 year that can be renewed for 4 extra years
- Authorities have 3 months to issue a response

Internship residency

- University studies completed
- Up to 3 years after completing your studies to start your application
- You must be the holder of a valid permit
- Now, residency permit up to 2 years
- Works with an internship job contract or agreement with your university
- Authorities have 30 days to issue a response





Looking for a job residency

“búsqueda de empleo”

- Must have your university studies completed
- 60 days before / 90 days after the expiration of your student visa
- Does not allow you to work
- Now for 2 years (after the Startup Law came into force)
- After 1 year, allows you to modify to residency and work permit or to highly qualified visa anytime
- The job position or the business project must be related to your studies

Highly-qualified visa

- Works at the UGE
- 3-year residency permit (or the same length of your work contract)
- The job position must be related to your degree, or you must have 3 years of experience
- Fast-track application in just 20 days
- Minimum required salary of 30.000€ for those under 30, or over 40.300€ for those over 30
- You must be under a regular situation to start your application
- You can include your spouse and children within the same application



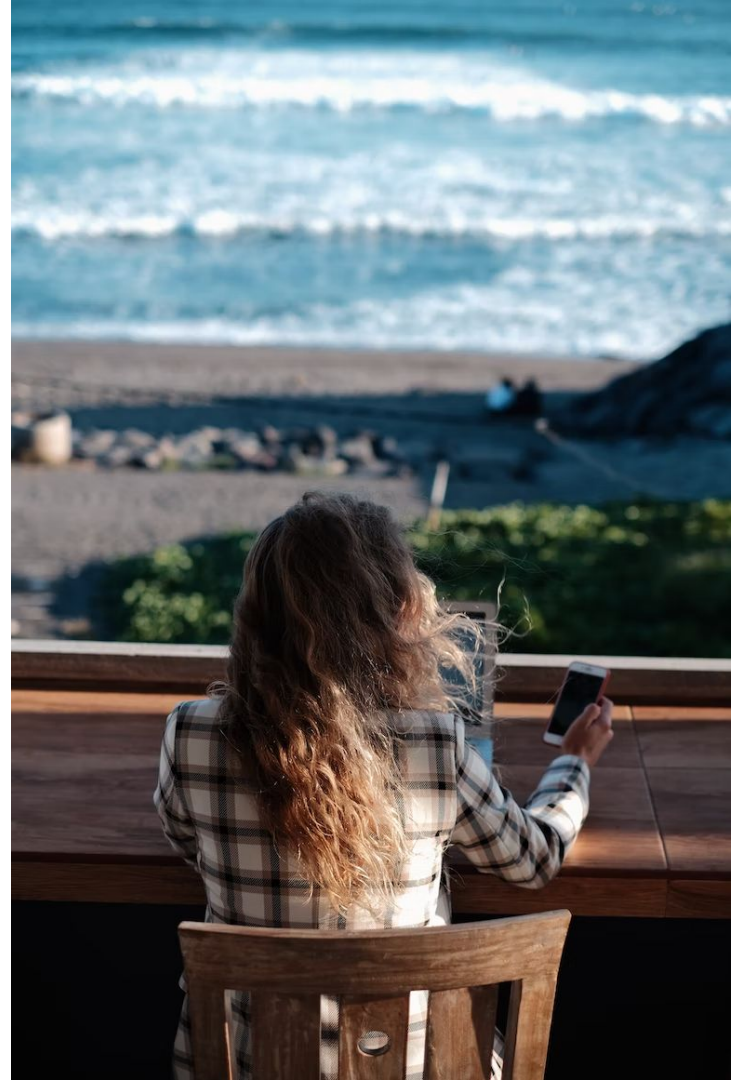


Entrepreneur visa

- Works at the UGE
- 3-year residency permit
- Fast-track application in just 20 days
- The project must be innovative or of interest to the Spanish economy
- You must be under a regular situation to start your application
- You can include your spouse and children within the same application
- Must demonstrate sufficient economic funds (100% IPREM): 8400€ for the main applicant, 6.300€ for the spouse, and 4.200€ for each child

Digital nomad visa

- Works at the UGE
- 3-year residency permit
- Fast-track application in just 20 days
- Must have a higher-education degree or 3 years of experience
- For those that work using online telecommunication means
- Both for company employees or freelancers / self-employed workers
- The company or client must be based outside Spain (and a max. 20% of your working income can come from Spain)
- You can include your relatives within your application



Questions?





If you have any other doubt...

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to meet you!**



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