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4th UGR STAFF TRAINING WEEK

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Welcome to Granada and the UGR!

THE UGR: HISTORY, QUALITY AND INNOVATION SINCE 1531

500 years of history

The founding of the University of Granada (UGR) was granted by Papal Bull, issued in 1531, establishing a Christian university to follow in the stead of the, until then, Islamic Madrassa, dating from 1349. Indeed, the site of the Arab university is now occupied by the UGR and part of the original construction can still be seen. Since then, the UGR – drawing on its historical roots – has gradually grown and developed into what it has become today: a public higher-education institution that is committed to quality and excellence in the areas of teaching, learning and research. In line with this, the university has, throughout its history, become increasingly active in the transfer of scientific, technical and artistic knowledge, social advancement, sustainable development and, above all, internationalization.

The UGR today

Over the past decade or so, the University of Granada has grown in size and stature more than ever before. It is not only one of Spain's top universities, but is also a major actor in the area of higher education both in Europe and Latin America. There are currently seven university campuses, in addition to the "Central Campus", which takes in all the UGR premises spread throughout the city centre of Granada. Two of the campuses are those of Ceuta and Melilla, which are Spanish enclaves located on the coast of northern Africa. The study programmes available at the UGR are among the most extensive in Europe, which helps to explain our high student numbers: around 65,000, of which some 8,000 are international students. The UGR is involved in a wide range of international projects and networks, as well as in innumerable internationally-renowned exchange programmes, thanks to the long list of co-operation partners it has throughout the world.

Internationalization

As a truly cosmopolitan institution, the UGR places great emphasis on actively participating in all initiatives that contribute towards its international dimension. For this reason, one of the UGR's strategic hubs for development and growth is a reinforced internationalization that affects all aspects of the university: study programmes, research, services, students and staff.

World Ranking

Numerous national and international ranking agencies that evaluate higher education teaching and research have placed the UGR among the top universities in Spain, as well as including it within the top 3% of the best higher education institutions worldwide. Indeed, according to the Shanghai ranking, the UGR appears as one of the world's top 500 universities.

THE STAFF TRAINING WEEK

The University of Granada, through the Vice-Rector's Office for International Relations and Development Cooperation, is happy to announce its 4th Staff Training Week, which will take place from 10th to 14th June 2013 and will be attended by 60 representatives from the UGR's European partner universities. We hope that, during your stay with us, we can transmit to you the UGR's strengths as a long-standing traditional and high-quality educational institution, benefitting from its leadership and prestige in the field of international cooperation within higher education. We are excited about sharing this time with you and are sure that this training week together will reinforce our cooperation as partners and will allow us to exchange our combined knowledge and

good practices. For that week, the Vice-Rector's Office for International Relations and Development Cooperation has prepared the following programme (application dates: 5^{th} March -31^{st} March):

Monday, 10 th June	2013:
10.00 – 10.30	WELCOME RECEPTION Meeting point: Sala de Conferencias Triunfo – Building "Vice-
10.00 10.50	Rector's Office for International Relations and Development (ORIC)" (Complejo
	Administrativo Triunfo).
10.30 - 13.30	Visit to the Hospital Real (Royal Hospital), a building built in the XVI century which is
10.50 15.50	currently the University of Granada's headquarters, and the Madraza, former Arab
	university in the XIV and XV centuries.
14.30	Buffet-Lunch in the Gardens of the "Carmen de la Victoria" (flat shoes
14.50	recommended) – We will leave as a group from the "ORIC" building. (Meeting point:
	Sala de Conferencias Triunfo at 14.00)
Tuesday, 11 th June	·
09.00 – 11.00	I Plenary Session (Sala de Conferencias Triunfo – "ORIC" building) – For all
05.00 11.00	participants.
11.00 - 11.30	Break
11.30 - 13.30	II Plenary Session (Sala de Conferencias Triunfo – "ORIC" building) – For all
11.50 15.50	participants.
	Free time
16.00 - 20.00	Visit to the Alhambra and the Generalife (OPTIONAL)(Free entry) – Meeting point:
10.00 20.00	Plaza Nueva – Fountain at 15.30
Wednesday, 12th Ju	
09.30 – 11.30	Individual visits to the Faculties/Schools and UGR Services — (Meeting point (09.00):
	Sala de Conferencias Triunfo – "ORIC" building) – For all participants.
11.30 - 12.30	Break
12.30 - 13.00	Round Tables I
13.15 - 13.45	Round Tables II
Afternoon	Free time
Thursday, 13 th June	e 2013:
09.00 - 09.30	Round Tables III
09.45 - 10.15	Round Tables IV
10.15 – 11.00	Break
11.00 – 11.30	Workshops I
11.45 – 12.15	Workshops II
12.30 – 14.00	Presentations by Partner Universities (5-10mins. presentations) (Sala de
	Conferencias Triunfo – "ORIC" building)
	Free time
16.00 – 19.00	A visit to the Science Park (OPTIONAL) (An interactive museum covering over 70,000
	square metres with one of the most varied arrays of cultural and scientific leisure
	activities in Europe). (Free entry) (Calle Parque de Las Ciencias, S/N – buses 1 or 5) –
	Meeting point: Parque de las Ciencias (buses 1 or 5) or at 15.30 at the bus stop
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Friday, 14 th June 20	
09.00 - 09.30	Workshops III
09.45 – 10.15	Workshops IV
10.15 – 11.00	Break Brosentations by Bartner Universities (5.10mins presentations) (Sala de
11.00 – 12.30	Presentations by Partner Universities (5-10mins. presentations) (Sala de Conferencias Triunfo – "ORIC" building)
13.00 – 14.00	Closing Session and Summary of the STW (exchange of opinions) (Sala de
13.00 - 14.00	Conferencias Triunfo –"ORIC" building)
15.00	Lunch at the Convent Santiago (the meal costs approx. 15,-€ per person) – We will
13.00	leave as a group from the "ORIC" building at 14.30.
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ACCOMMODATION

You can find a wide range of lodging in Granada. The University of Granada works with several hotels which are within walking distance of the venues. A double room single use at them costs between 65 and 75 euro per person, breakfast and VAT included. If you would like us to help you book a room at one of those hotels, please let us know when you fill in your application form. You will receive further information together with the notification of your acceptance. If you prefer to look for your own accommodation, we recommend visiting www.trivago.es.

TOURIST INFORMATION

The historical city of Granada: Moslem, Christian and Jewish. Granada is a tourist city par excellence and this makes it an ideal destination. Today it is one of the cities with most monuments in Spain. Up until the end of the 15th century, it was the last stronghold of Islam in Western Europe; the Alhambra and the Generalife (World Heritage Sites) are symbols of the Islamic civilization's splendour. Granada is also a Renaissance city; the Hospital Real and the Cathedral (where the Catholic Monarchs are interred) are just two examples of Granada's well-preserved heritage. With its exceptional geographical location, Granada offers a great number of activities. Nevertheless, there is no doubt that the jewel of our city is the Alhambra.

As an important cultural centre for centuries, the city now enjoys enviable cultural and leisure activities. Film shows and festivals, music and theatre are complemented with permanent and itinerant exhibits that cover all fields of knowledge. There are Renaissance palaces hosting seminars, conferences and seminars, while, for the big events, a modern city infrastructure is in place. Three theatre halls have a year-round programme of plays, opera, music concerts, flamenco, etc., and the prestigious Granada City Orchestra has its own season in the Manuel de Falla auditorium. The International Jazz Festival (October), the International Magic Festival (November), the International Music and Dance Festival (June and July), the International Comic Show (February and March), the International Organ Music Week (October and December), the International Young Film Directors Festival (April) and the Classic Film Festival (January) are only some examples of this cultural hive of activity.

You will find interesting information on the following sites:

http://www.granadatur.com http://www.turgranada.es http://www.alhambra-patronato.es http://www.andalucia.org





The University's educational centres and premises are located throughout Granada, giving the city a character all its own. 270,000 inhabitants are living in Granada, and the UGR possesses 65,000 students. When we think of Granada, we must also think of its perfect geographical position: the city lies in the foothills of Sierra Nevada, a mountain range that rises to a height of 3,400m and which is home to Europe's southernmost ski resort. And, to top it all, the Mediterranean coast, with a wonderful sub-tropical climate, is only 60km away.

Today, Granada is a city that strives to preserve its historical past while, at the same time, adapting to the same challenges currently faced by cities everywhere: modernising its infrastructure, traffic, public services, etc. Its economy is based principally on the services sector, tourism and, of course, its university.

The 13,000 square kilometres of the province of Granada contain an unimaginable number and range of tourist attractions At any time of the year visitors can choose from the widest variety of ways to occupy their leisure time: visiting historic and artistic monuments, spending the night at the small hotels in the many villages dotted along the small back lanes and tracks that form a rural tourism network in the hills and mountains, skiing or taking part in the other sports on offer at the ski resort, as well as other open-air activities or just relaxing on the beach down by the coast.

For those who prefer the peace of the countryside to the bustle of city life there are six nature reserves, including the Sierra Nevada National Park. The foothills to the south of the Sierra Nevada, known as the Alpujarras, form an area of rugged natural beauty, with villages dating back to the Middle Ages. With its dramatic scenery, benign climate and complete peace and quiet, visitors often find it difficult to leave. Further inland, the area of the Marquesado and the high meseta provide landscapes that are in stark contrast to those of the Alpujarras. And in the westernmost parts of the province there are still many interesting ruins from the times of the Muslim kingdom and its fortresses, when this was the frontier between Granada and the Christian provinces to the west.







TRAVELLING TO GRANADA

There are various ways to get to Granada:

By plane

Granada Airport, named after Federico García Lorca, is 15km away from the city, next to the town of Chauchina. The A92 motorway links the airport with Granada.

Tel.: (+34) 958 245 299 / 223 and (+34) 902 400 500

	Airlines	
VUELING	AIR EUROPE	IBERIA
Ph: (+34) 933 787 878	Ph: (+34) 902 401 501	Ph: (+34) 902 400 500
Website: www.vueling.es	Website: www.aireuropa.es	Website: www.iberia.es
Daily direct flights from Granada to Barcelona and Palma de Mallorca	Daily direct flights from Granada to Palma de Mallorca	Daily direct flights from Granada to Madrid and Barcelona. Direct flights from Granada to Melilla on Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays

There is a shuttle bus linking the airport with Granada. Its price is 3 euros. The journey to the city centre takes about 50 minutes. The bus stop is outside «Arrivals» area.

Boarding and drop-off locations (from the airport to Granada):

Starting	Airport
1 st stop	At the corner of Avenida Andalucia and Facultad Bellas Artes
2 nd stop	Urban Bus Stop "Estación de Autobuses"
3 rd stop	Urban Bus Stop "Caleta"
4 th stop	Urban Bus Stop "Avenida de la Constitución"
5 th stop	Urban Bus Stop "Gran Via de Colón"
6 th stop	Acera del Darro
7 th stop	Paseo del Violón

More info about the airport of Granada and the shuttle bus: http://www.aena.es

Another alternative is to take a taxi. Price: 25-30 euros.

By train

The railway station (RENFE) is very close to the city centre: Avenida de los Andaluces s/n, 18014 Granada. It is possible to travel from Granada to Algerciras, Almería, Córdoba, Barcelona, Madrid and Sevilla by direct train.

Contact Phone (+34) 958 204 000

National ticket sales (+34) 902 240 202

International ticket sales (+34) 934 901 122

e-mail: atencionviajero@renfe.es Website: http://www.renfe.es

By coach

ALSA, http://www.alsa.es, is the main coach company operating in and out of Granada. Some of its routes link Granada with the rest of Andalusia, the airport of Málaga, a return ticket costs about 22 euro, the number 4 terminal of the airport of Madrid, a return ticket costs approximately 57 euro, and all major Spanish cities. The coach station is located at Carretera de Jaén s/n, 18014 Granada.

Tel.: (+34) 958 185 480

By car

The A-92 motorway links Granada with Sevilla (2 and a half hours) and Málaga (1 and a half hours), therefore making Granada a perfect departure point for travelling around Andalusia.

GETTING ABOUT THE CITY

There are two main ways to get about Granada:

By bus

Via the following link you can find information about fares, travel cards, routes and timetables of the buses in Granada:

http://www.lovegranada.com/transport/granada-buses/

Regular ticket 1,20 €/ ticket Travel card (5, 10 and 20 €) 0,79 €/ ticket



By taxi

Tele Radio Taxi Granada

Tele Radio Taxi Granada offers a 24 hour service for local, provincial and international tours. Credit cards accepted.

Ph.: (+34) 958 280 654 / (+34) 958 132 323



How much a taxi will cost to some popular places?

From Granada bus station to the Alhambra $\pm 10 \in$ From Granada bus station to the Albaicin $\pm 12 \in$ From Granada railway station to the Alhambra $\pm 7 \in$ From the Alhambra to the Albaicin $\pm 10 \in$





