

ALL DEGREES WELCOME | NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED | NO FEES

MEDDEAS' PLACEMENTS IN SPANISH SCHOOLS FOR UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

Becoming a Language Assistant and teaching in a Spanish private school is an enriching opportunity for university students from any degree subject. They will gain valuable international experience, add transferable skills to their CV, learn a new language, and immerse themselves in a different culture.

Successful candidates will join our structured training programme. They will deliver 20 teaching hours of speaking activities per week to small groups of students, **complete a teacher-training university course**, and receive a **monthly grant** to live in Spain as a young professional.

There are **no fees**. Being competent in the Spanish language is recommended, but it is not required.



PROGRAMMES' CONTENT AND BENEFITS

This is a professional placement and candidates are expected to show serious commitment and involvement. Students from universities in Ireland and the UK have already participated in our programmes.

Participants are supported by the **school's designated tutor** and take a university certified teaching-related blended course that will help them perform their teaching tasks. It is delivered in English by the *Universitat Internacional de Catalunya*. Enrolment fees are fully covered by Meddeas.

Students in our placements are covered by the Spanish healthcare, get ongoing in-country support, initial training and participate in teaching workshops.

SELECTION PROCESS AND DEADLINES

After reviewing the student's application and a first Skype interview, selected candidates are invited to a face-to-face interview with one of our local delegates. **University lecturers' written recommendations are highly valued.**

Placements Dates*

- **3- Month Placements** (September to December)

 Apply before June 1st
- **5- Month Placements** (January to June) *Apply before November* 1st
- **9- Month Placements** (September to June) *Apply before March 15*th
- *Deadlines may vary depending on the university's calendar

SCHOOLS - SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Around **200 schools** all over the country participate in our programmes every year. Meddeas' managers know each and every participating school personally. We provide an immediate and adequate response in the event of an unexpected situation.

ACCOMMODATION

Participants can **live independently or with a volunteer host family**, which is selected by the school's principal, guaranteeing a safe home environment. Participants are invited to show their preference about the kind of accommodation during the selection process, and no one is obliged to live with a host family. Although families are usually available, we cannot always guarantee their availability for all placements, therefore those preferring to live with a host family might have to live independently.

ECONOMIC SUPPORT

Participants get a **monthly grant** for the duration of the aforementioned practical training. The monthly amount depends on the number of weekly hours of the placement, being €330 for 20 hours, €408 for 22 hours, and €486 for 24 hours. Participants in the 3-month and 5-month option who live independently will receive €200 more monthly to help with accommodation expenses. For participants in 9-month Co-Op placements with independent accommodation (limited number of placements) the grant amount will be €780 for 20 hours, €858 for 22 hours and €936 for 24 hours. Participants can also have access to **Erasmus + funds** (if available through their university): up to €320/month for Irish students and up to €380/month for British students. The total amount of money is equal to any Spanish student's monthly budget.