

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Students with a baccalaureate or equivalent obtained in Spain or abroad can access our official and own qualifications by fulfilling the following requirements:

- Possess a baccalaureate or equivalent*
- Pass the specific entrance exam (for official qualifications)**
- Be proficient in the language of the chosen programme
- Follow the steps of the IED admission and enrolment process

If the above requirements are met, the documents can be submitted to start the admission process (see point 2 of the Admission Process). It is also possible to request an interview with an Academic Advisor to receive advice on the programmes that best suit individual needs, circumstances and interests.

* *The academic requirements for these qualifications allow for various options and combinations. It is therefore advisable that you contact an IED Academic Advisor for further information.*

** *Matriculation examination for +18 years, University Entrance Test for +25 years, or Higher. An intermediate technical qualification is also accepted for HECs.*

The various qualifications and their entry requirements are detailed below:

— Official Qualifications

Higher education has its own place within the education system and is in line with the European Higher Education Area, which also includes university education.

- **Bachelor of Arts** - Graphic, Interior, Fashion and Product (4-year duration, 240 ECTS).
- **Bachelor of Arts (Honours)** validated by the University of Westminster (3-year duration, 360 UK credits).
- **Vocational Training** (2-year duration, 2,000 hours).

— Private Qualifications

Non-regulated higher education qualifications.

- **IED Diplomas** (3-year duration).

ADMISSION AND ENROLMENT PROCESS

The admission process consists of three basic stages:

1. Admission interview
2. Online admission process
3. Enrolment

Recommended Deadlines

Although enrolments remain open until the start of the programmes, places are limited. It is advisable to complete the enrolment process as early as possible to secure a place, international students are especially advised to apply in advance for their study visa.

1. Admission Interview

The interview aims to:

- Understand the candidate's motivation for pursuing the chosen programme.
- Assess general cultural knowledge, attitude, expectations and knowledge in the relevant field of interest.

The interview is carried out in-person at the IED centre or online.

2. Admission Process

Following the interview, if the candidate decides to proceed, they will receive login credentials to access the IED's online admission platform.

— Required Documents

- **ID** (for Spanish students) or **passport** (for international students).
- **Educational qualification:** Baccalaureate (any type) or equivalent; Higher Education Cycle, University Entrance Examination for those over 25 years of age, or Higher Artistic Studies Entrance Examination for those over 19 years of age. If candidates are completing a baccalaureate at the time of enrolment, they must provide a certificate from the school certifying that they are in the second year of the baccalaureate.
- **Language Certificate:** For programmes taught in English, an intermediate level is required, equivalent to a TOEFL score of 550 or IELTS 6.5. For programmes in Spanish, a B2 level is required. If you do not have one of these certificates, your level will be assessed personally through an in-person or online interview.

— Specific Requirements

For **Bachelor of Arts (Hons)** degrees from the University of Westminster and **IED Diplomas** (these degrees do not require an entrance exam).

- Cover letter in the language of the programme.
- Essay or portfolio (according to the programme of interest).

For overseas students for **official qualifications**. Access to official qualification programmes is open to students who meet the following requirements:

- Must have obtained their baccalaureate in their country of origin.

The baccalaureate must be recognised by the Spanish system at the Spanish Embassy or Consulate in the country of origin. For this purpose, it is necessary to present the baccalaureate diploma and the certificate of high school grades or equivalent. Thus, in the case of IED Barcelona and IED Bilbao, this process is also carried out before the competent authorities of the Autonomous Community.

3. Enrolment

To complete enrolment and secure a place, the candidate must:

- Finalise the enrolment contract.
- Make payment of at least the amount of the enrolment fee.

Enrolment in the programme will be completed once IED has received the required documents and the enrolment fee has been paid.

Visa application procedures

Visa Procedures for International Students

Candidates residing outside the European Union must apply for a visa at the Spanish Embassy or Consulate in their country of origin. The following are the general documents required:

- **Valid Passport:** The expiration date must exceed six months from the visa application date.

- **Enrolment Certificate:** Provided by IED after completing the admission and registration process.
- **Proof of Financial Means:** Documentation demonstrating sufficient resources to cover expenses during the stay in Spain (bank documents may be required in some countries).
- **Private Health Insurance:** Necessary coverage during the stay in Spain.
- **Additional Documentation:** Any other documents requested by the Spanish Embassy or Consulate.

— IED Recommendations

- **Multiple-Entry Visa:** Whenever possible, it is advisable to apply for a Schengen multiple-entry visa.
- **Advance Application:** Requirements may vary and change frequently. It is therefore essential to contact diplomatic authorities well in advance, as the process may take a month or more.
- **Timely Completion:** Ensure that all procedures are completed on time for the start of classes.

Requirements for European Students

Students from European Union member countries do not require a visa to study in Spain. However, European Union Citizen Registration is required for stays exceeding three months.

— Required Enrolment Documents

- **Valid Passport or ID.**
- **Enrolment Certificate:** Provided by IED after completing the admission and enrolment process.
- **Health Insurance:** Either the European Health Insurance Card or private health insurance covering the duration of the stay in Spain.

Assistance and Enquiries

For any questions regarding the admission, enrolment or visa processes, students may contact their **IED Academic Advisor**, who will provide personalised support.