

Academic year 2017-18

Subject 11507 - Practical Placements

Group 1, 2S

Syllabus B Language English

Subject

Name 11507 - Practical Placements

Credits 5.92 in-class (148 hours) 0.08 distance (2 hours) 6 total (150 hours).

Group Group 1, 2S (Campus Extens)

Period Second semester

Language English

Lecturers

Lecturers	Office hours for students						
Lecturers	Starting time	Finishing time	Day	Start date	End date	Office	
Roberto Maria Cayuela Rexach	16:00	19:00	Friday	27/10/2017	30/09/2018	DB 201 (Cita	
roberto.cayuela@uib.cat						previa per mail)	
	11:00	12:00	Wednesday	13/09/2017	09/02/2018	DB229 Edifici	
						G.M. Jovellanos	
						(cita prèvia	
Catalina Natividad Juaneda						per e-mail)	
Sampol nati.juaneda@uib.es	11:00	12:00	Tuesday	12/02/2018	31/05/2018	DB229 Edifici	
						G.M. Jovellanos	
						(cita prèvia	
						per e-mail)	

Context

Practical Placement is a second semester course worth 6 ECTS that is part of the Complementary Module of the Master's degree. It consists of 148 hours during which the student carries out tasks either at a private firm or at a public office related to the tourism sector. The objective of the placement is the practical and integrated application of the contents of the Master's courses taught at UIB, such that the student acquires practical competencies and skills that facilitate the incorporation in the labour market. Due to this focus, the placements are called **Curricular Placements**.

The tasks developed in the company or public office are carried out under the supervision of a *Placement Supervisor* appointed at the workplace and the *Placements Coordinator at* the UIB. Besides, a professor of the master will act as *Academic Tutor* having in charge the supervision and assessment of the task and final report from the academic focus. At the end of the placement, the student has to prepare a Placement Report to hand-in within the agreed deadline. This report should be reviewed by the *Placement Supervisor* and handed-in to the *Academic Tutor that* will assess it.

To obtain a company for the practical placement, the student has to contact the *Placements Coordinator* in order to find an adequate option that has to be supervised by the *Academic Tutor*.

There is the possibility to do Extra-curricular Placements following a process administered mainly by DOIP (Department of). If this is the case, the student , once the placements has finished, has to ask for the recognition of the 6 ECTS corresponding to the course.

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1) Obtain 50% of the ECTS required for the Master's degree before starting the placement.

- 2) Obtain the approval of the Academic Tutor before starting the placement.
- 3) Hand in a Placement Report at the end of the placement period.

Additionally, for all placements in Spain students are required to provide evidence of knowledge of Spanish at the B2 level.

All placements will be undertaken between March and August.

Requirements

Essential requirements

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Recommended

It is advisable that students start the Practical Placement after the classes of their chosen courses have finished.

Skills

Specific

- * CE1 To develop a capacity of analysis of tourism as a complex system that integrates multiple components that can be monitored and evaluated (supply, demand, labour market, landscape and natural environment, institutional framework, etc.), as well as their existing relationships..
- * CE5 To acquire a critical awareness of the relevance of the economic processes, the business relationships, the market policies and the world economic evolution that affect the tourism market..
- * CE10 To develop skills that facilitate the integration into labour markets related to the tourism industry and, especially, to the companies and institutions that monitor and evaluate projects and programmes in the tourism environment..

Generic

- * CG2 To develop an innovative capacity by applying the acquired knowledge to the resolution of problems in new environments related to the tourism sector.
- * CG4 To be able to interpret and evaluate critically the results obtained regarding the sustainability and competitiveness of the tourism system..

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* CG7 – To acquire specialized knowledge about the tourism system to make it possible to face challenges and provide solutions..

Basic

* You may consult the basic competencies students will have to achieve by the end of the Master's degree at the following address: http://estudis.uib.cat/master/comp_basiques/

Content

Theme content

Part I. Placements in the workplace

To develop supervised tasks in a company or public office (148 hours)

Part II. Practical Placement Report

To write a report describing the company and the specific tasks developed during the placement relating them with the knowledge acquired in the master's courses.

To write the report students should use the Practical Placement Report Form provided in Campus Extens and follow all the instructions given in the Instruction Sheet. The Practical Placement Report has specific characteristics that make it different from other written work carried out in the Master's degree, but all the rules and regulations about Plagiarism also apply to it. For this reason, before starting the report students should make sure they are aware of all these rules and regulations at UIB.

The Practical Placement Report should have the following sections:

- A) Cover Page to be signed by the Practical Placement Supervisor and by the Academic Tutor at UIB.
- B) Index of Contents
- C) Index of Tables and Figures
- D) Introduction
- E) Brief Description of the Company/Organization

This section should present the main activities/objectives/aims of the company/organization, how it is structured, and how it contributes to the tourism sector, paying special attention to sustainability and competitiveness issues.

F) Detailed Description of the Activities Carried Out During the Practical Placement

This section should contain an explanation of the main activities/objectives/aims of the Practical Placement, how they developed during the period spent at the workplace and how they related to the tourism sector. Students should show how the knowledge acquired in the Master's courses is related with the developped tasks and what skills and competencies they have acquired at the workplace and will contribute to their future professional development, including problem-solving skills and issues they had to deal with.

G) Global Assessment of the Practical Placement



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This section should contain a reflective assessment of the Practical Placement, which includes discussing how it contributed to acquire new competencies and develop existing ones, as well as how students will be able to apply those competencies to the tourism sector.

The total word count should be between 2500-3000 words. The main text should be presented using Arial 12 with at least 1.15 paragraph spacing and justified paragraphs. If following the layout of the Practical Placement Report Form, nothing else is required. The report should be uploaded as a PDF file into Campus Extens under the space provided in order to undergo a Turnitin (anti-plagiarism software) control. Finally, it should also be handed in printed format to be signed by the Placement Supervisor and the Academic Tutor at UIB.

Teaching methodology

In-class work activities

Modality	Name	Тур. Grp.	Description	Hours
Internships	Practical	Small group (P)	The student must spend 148 hours working at the company/	148
	Placements		organization chosen to carry out the Practical Placement.	

At the beginning of the semester a schedule of the subject will be made available to students through the UIBdigital platform. The schedule shall at least include the dates when the continuing assessment tests will be conducted and the hand-in dates for the assignments. In addition, the lecturer shall inform students as to whether the subject work plan will be carried out through the schedule or through another way included in the Campus Extens platform.

Distance education work activities

Modality	Name	Description	Hours
Individual self- study	Practical Placements Report	The student must hand in a Placement Report to the Academic Tutor. In addition, each student may request tutorials with the Academic Tutor both prior to starting the Practical Placement, during the placement, or immediately after finishing it, in order to ask for advice related to the procedures of setting-up the placement application and preparing the Placement Report.	2

Specific risks and protective measures

The learning activities of this course do not entail specific health or safety risks for the students and therefore no special protective measures are needed.

Student learning assessment

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Modality Internships

Technique Real or simulated task performance tests (non-retrievable)

Description The student must spend 148 hours working at the company/organization chosen to carry out the Practical

Placement.

Assessment criteria The student's performance at the workplace will be observed by the Placement Supervisor appointed at the

company/organization where the placement is carried out. The assessment made by the Placement Supervisor

will have a weight of 80% of the final mark and it cannot be recovered as the placement ends.

Final grade percentage: 80%

Practical Placements Report

Modality Individual self-study

Technique Student internship dissertation (retrievable)

Description The student must hand in a Placement Report to the Academic Tutor. In addition, each student may request

tutorials with the Academic Tutor both prior to starting the Practical Placement, during the placement, or immediately after finishing it, in order to ask for advice related to the procedures of setting-up the placement

application and preparing the Placement Report.

Assessment criteria The report will be assessed by the Academic Tutor and is wirth 20% of the final mark. To make the report is

compulsory and the student will not complete the course without handing it to the Academic Tutor.

Final grade percentage: 20%

Resources, bibliography and additional documentation

Basic bibliography

Cottrell, S. (2015), "Skills for Success: Personal Development and Employability", Palgrave Study Skills, Palgrave Macmillan, 3rd edition, ISBN: 9781137426529.

Fanthome, C. (2004), "Work Practical Placements - A Survival Guide for Students", Palgrave Study Skills, Palgrave Macmillan, ISBN: 9781403934345.

Other resources

https://www.palgrave.com/studentstudyskills/page/Useful-resources/