



EMOTION

AN ERASMUS MUNDUS MASTER

THE MIGUEL HERNÁNDEZ UNIVERSITY OF ELCHE

1. PERMITS AND VISAS

Please remember that as a general rule, all non-EU citizens must get their [Visas](#) or Residence Permits in their country of residence or home countries before their departure for Spain. Students must be sure about expiry dates, applications for extension deadlines and other relevant dates with the Spanish embassy or consulate.

We received information from UPO regarding the instructions provided by the [Spanish Consulate in Milan](#) and stating that non-EU EMOTION students who would travel to Spain for a stay of no more than six months could apply for their VISA in Italy (in that Spanish consulate) since they already have a residence permit in European territory. The application and request must be carried out by the individual students, following the instructions

We remind you here of that [CONSULATE OF SPAIN IN MILAN](#)'s contact information, postal address and phone numbers and whose email address is cog.milan@maec.es

Connected to the VISA issue is that of your registration and enrollment at the UMH, since one of the requirements to apply for you VISA is to have been admitted "... in a public or private educational center recognized by the Ministry of Education and Culture for undergraduate or postgraduate studies."

Once your application to the UMH has been completed and the corresponding Letter of Admission obtained, we may be able to directly support the issue of your visas before the Spanish Consulate in Milan.

From now on, even before starting your application to the UMH, some of the documents required for your visa could already be prepared, such as (according to the information provided by the Spanish Consulate and regarding motilities under six months of length):

Study VISA (six month length)

1. Schengen visa application completed and signed. You may download it on: www.exteriores.gob.es/Consulados/Milan/ - Information for foreigners - Long-term visas
2. 1 passport size photo.
3. Passport valid for 4 months + 1 photocopy.
4. Residence permit in Italy + 1 photocopy.
5. Medical insurance for the entire stay in Spain and covering repatriation expenses associated with an accident or sudden illness.
6. Letter of Acceptance or Admission to a public or private educational center recognized by the Ministry of Education and Culture for undergraduate or postgraduate studies.
7. Syllabus and components of the academic program.
8. expected means of subsistence (€ 531.51 / month) and accommodation.
9. Payment of taxes for € 60 (if you are not enrolled in a University).
10. Appointment (phone 0236757723/4)

Connected with the visa issue there is also the matter of **INSURANCE**, as is clear from the information provided by the consulate to students who are not EU citizens that the request for a visa demands accident and medical insurance.

Students in the Erasmus Mundus EMOTION program already had compulsory insurance since they register at the Università del Piemonte Orientale.

REMEMBER TO BRING WITH YOU:

Packing your bag

- All the original documents mentioned in the first section of the handbook;
- Your health insurance or the [European health insurance card](#) ; In any case, it may be interesting for you to know the possibility of getting such insurance by the usual provider of the UMH: [Seguros OnCampus](#)
- The Master does not provide laptop computers. You may therefore wish to bring one with you;
- Special prescription medicines. If you require specialized prescription medicines, it is advisable that you take some with you to bridge the period in which you will be able to have them prescribed in Spain;
- For scholarship holders: it is advisable to take with you some money (at least 1.000 euros) to live and face the first expenses (e.g. house deposit) until you receive the fellowship. While we will do our best to transfer the fellowship money to you, it is unlikely that you will receive it before the end of October, as you will be required to open a bank account first (see below);
- Lab-coat (but you can buy it in UMH, if you prefer (<https://tienda.umh.es/categoria-producto/ropa-practicas/>)).

Weather information to allow you to plan clothing to take with you

Elche has a **hot semi-arid climate** (Köppen climate classification: *BSh*) close to a **desert climate** (*BWh*)^{[19][20]} with mild, dry winters and hot, dry summers.

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Year
Record high °C (°F)	28.3 (82.9)	29.2 (84.6)	34.8 (94.6)	33.6 (92.5)	38.0 (100.4)	38.9 (102.0)	41.4 (106.5)	39.8 (103.6)	39.8 (103.6)	34.3 (93.7)	31.0 (87.8)	27.0 (80.6)	41.4 (106.5)
Average high °C (°F)	16.7 (62.1)	17.4 (63.3)	19.4 (66.9)	21.1 (70.0)	23.8 (74.8)	27.6 (81.7)	30.1 (86.2)	30.7 (87.3)	28.5 (83.3)	24.7 (76.5)	20.3 (68.5)	17.3 (63.1)	23.2 (73.8)
Daily mean °C (°F)	11.6 (52.9)	12.3 (54.1)	14.0 (57.2)	15.9 (60.6)	18.9 (66.0)	22.8 (73.0)	25.5 (77.9)	26.1 (79.0)	23.8 (74.8)	19.8 (67.6)	15.4 (59.7)	12.5 (54.5)	18.2 (64.8)
Average low °C (°F)	6.5 (43.7)	7.1 (44.8)	8.7 (47.7)	10.7 (51.3)	13.9 (57.0)	18.0 (64.4)	20.8 (69.4)	21.5 (70.7)	19.0 (66.2)	14.9 (58.8)	10.6 (51.1)	7.5 (45.5)	13.3 (55.9)
Record low °C (°F)	−2.6 (27.3)	−1.4 (29.5)	−0.9 (30.4)	1.7 (35.1)	6.4 (43.5)	10.3 (50.5)	13.6 (56.5)	14.0 (57.2)	10.0 (50.0)	5.0 (41.0)	−0.2 (31.6)	−3.8 (25.2)	−3.8 (25.2)
Average rainfall mm (inches)	21 (0.8)	20 (0.8)	20 (0.8)	27 (1.1)	28 (1.1)	10 (0.4)	4 (0.2)	5 (0.2)	40 (1.6)	46 (1.8)	34 (1.3)	22 (0.9)	277 (10.9)
Average rainy days (≥ 1 mm)	3.6	2.9	3.1	3.7	3.7	1.6	0.7	0.9	3.3	4.1	3.8	3.7	35.1
Average relative humidity (%)	61	61	60	57	59	58	59	61	63	64	63	61	61
Mean monthly sunshine hours	184	179	221	251	291	316	344	313	243	218	174	165	2,953

Source: Agencia Estatal de Meteorología^{[21][22]}

- **Elche** or **Elx** is a town and [municipality](#) of [Spain](#), belonging to the [province of Alicante](#), in the [Valencian Community](#). According to 2014 data, Elche has a population of 228,647 inhabitants,^[5] making it the third most populated municipality in the region (after [Valencia](#) and [Alicante](#)) and the 20th largest Spanish municipality. It is part of the [comarca](#) of [Baix Vinalopó](#). Part of the municipality is coastal yet the city proper is roughly 11 km (6.8 mi) away from the [Mediterranean Sea](#). A small creek called [Vinalopó](#) flows through the city.
- The city is noted by its urban [Palm Grove](#), designated as [World Heritage Site](#).
- The Tourist information office of Elche has a website: <https://www.visitelche.com/en/oficina-de-turismo/>

ARRIVING IN ELCHE:

HOW TO GET TO THE MIGUEL HERNÁNDEZ UNIVERSITY OF ELCHE

[Elche](#) is in a truly privileged [location](#), less than 20 km from Alicante. It is in a strategic position, forming, together with other nearby towns, the southern axis of the Mediterranean Arc, a district that boasts great dynamism in both demographic and economic terms.

Elche is in an area with good land, sea, and air connections. The [Alicante-Elche Airport](#) (ALC) is located nearby and it is also close to the provincial capital's [seaport](#). [Road connections](#) are also good, linking it to Mediterranean tollways and the freeway to Madrid, while its [rail links](#) include a station for Spain's AVE bullet train.

UMH campuses



[Sant Joan d'Alacant](#) sits 10 km north of Alicante. There are two bus routes from Alicante ([lines 20H and 23](#)).

[Orihuela](#) is located 30 km south of Elche. There are regular buses or trains to and from Elche and Alicante.

[Altea](#) is located 53 km north of Alicante. Arrive to Altea by either taking a [bus](#) from the airport or from Alicante, or by riding the [TRAM](#) from Alicante.

To move from the airport to your campus, the following options are available:

By taxi: there are several taxi services operating at the [Alicante-Elche Airport](#).

By bus: to Alicante, Altea, and Elche from the Airport.

- [Bus station in Alicante](#): Muelle Pte., s/n, 03003 Alacant, Alicante Tel: +34 96 513 0700
- [Bus station in Elche](#): Av. del Ferrocarril, 4. Tel: +34 902 422 242

By train: from the railway station in Alicante, Avenida de Salamanca s/n; Tel: +34 902 240 202, you can take a train to and from both Elche and Orihuela: <http://www.renfe.es/cercanias/>.

From the railway station in Elche, Avda. del Ferrocarril Este, 10, 03202 Elche; Tel: +34 96 545 6254, you can take a train to and from both Orihuela and Alicante.

By TRAM: To Altea from Alicante. [TRAM](#)

UPON ARRIVAL IN ELCHE:

The [Emotion Master](#) and the [UMH International Relations Office](#) will help you deal with any issue related to your arrival.

May you need to produce photocopies of your documents, you can go to the [photocopy shop in the Elche Campus, Altabix Building](#).

Student visas & Foreigner Identity Card (TIE)

Please be aware that previous to applying for your Foreigner Identity Card (TIE) you must have registered as a local resident in town (EMPADRONAMIENTO) and have already a stable accommodation and postal address in Elche: finding accommodation:

<https://internacional.umh.es/incoming/welcome-office/alojamiento/>

- You have to get an appointment on the web page of the municipal office [OMAC](#): (oficinas municipales).
- You will need to have your apartment rental contract.
- Photocopy of the ID of the owner of the apartment.
- Photocopy of your own ID or passport
- Authorization filled and signed by the owner of the apartment/ landlord.
- Copy of an electricity / water receipt from the apartment (photocopy)
- The registration PADRÓN document is provided in that same office at the moment upon request.

Foreign nationals who receive authorization to remain in Spain for periods longer than 90 days and whose sole or main purpose is to carry out any of the following non-working activities must apply for a visa before they travel to Spain and then, **upon arrival to Spain, request a Foreigner Identity Card (TIE)**.

These activities include:

- Completion or extension of education at an authorization educational center in Spain in a full-time program that leads to the conferral of a diploma or certificate of studies.
- Carrying out research or training activities without prejudice to the special regimen of investigators.
- Participation in a student mobility program to follow a secondary and/or baccalaureate education program at an officially recognized teaching or scientific center.
- Carrying out non-working internships at an officially recognized organism, public or private entity, or vocational training center that is within the framework of agreement created for said purpose.
- Provision of volunteer activities within a program that pursues objectives that are general in nature.

For stays in Spain that are going to exceed 180 days, once in Spain, students must request a Foreigner Identity Card (TIE) within 30 days upon their arrival.

Documentation to present at the [Oficina de Extranjería de Alicante](#) to get your **Foreigner Identity Card for studying** includes:

1. Official application form, available [HERE](#).
2. Photocopy of passport.
3. Photocopy of student visa (type D).
4. Program enrolment letter
5. Guarantee of economic means: bank statements, photocopy of credit card, traveler's checks, letter from parents presented at the consulate, grant nomination letter.
6. Two color photographs against a white background.
7. Healthcare guarantees, copy of insurance card.

The Oficina de Extranjería de Alicante will issue one card for the period of the course/program. If afterwards you continue with your studies for an additional period, you must renew the Foreigner Identity Card for studying by providing proof that you have passed the preceding course/program and show the registration or enrollment for the subsequent course.

Further information is available at the [Ministerio de Asuntos Exteriores y de Cooperación](#).

Oficina de Extranjería address:

Calle de la Ebanistería, 4, 03008, Alicante, Spain / Telephone: +34 965 01 93 00

Website: <http://www.consultor.com/oue/>

APPLICATION AND ENROLLMENT IN THE UMH

Our [Service of International Relations](#) and the [UMH Academic Management Service](#) are in contact with the Direction of the [ERASMUS MUNDUS UNIVERSITY MASTER IN TRANSLATIONAL COSMETICS AND DERMATOLOGICAL SCIENCES](#) regarding management of the application, registration and enrollment procedure for the Erasmus EMOTION students. We attach the pre-registration form that will be the central document of your application process to the UMH.

BUDDY and TANDEM programs

In order to assist you during your first days at the UMH, the Service of International Relations offers the BUDDY Program to mentor foreign students. We recommend that before visiting our university, you consult their [blog](#) or contact the SIR. They will assign you a student tutor whose job is to help you integrate into the UMH and learn about

all our university can offer. Furthermore, if you would like to practice speaking Spanish and seek friendships with Spanish students who are interested in learning your language, you can participate in the TANDEM Program for linguistic exchange through the SIR.

Online information

After enrolling at the UMH as an exchange or visiting student, you will form a part of the UMH community. Your enrollment will provide you a user name and UMH email address (format: user@alu.umh.es). This user and its corresponding password will provide you with personal access to all the online information concerning courses, teaching faculty, hours, examinations, office hours, etc., in addition to announcements about cultural activities, course offerings, and general UMH information.

UMH Intelligent Card

We advise you to request the UMH Intelligent Card at the campus management center (*Centro de Gestión de Campus*) on your campus. This card will allow you to identify yourself as a UMH student, it provides interesting discounts in bookstores, shops, for leisure activities, etc. Moreover, it also functions as a debit and credit card (if you request this option). The Intelligent Card is also utilized for borrowing library books, accessing UMH installations, and the virtual secretary. The virtual secretary allows you, via the terminals distributed throughout the four university campuses, access to services like consulting academic records, asking for certifications, paying academic tuition, and consulting the academic calendar.

UMH libraries



On each UMH campus, there is a library specialized in the courses taught on that campus. With your Intelligent Card, you may check out books and other documents there at the loan and consultation services. Borrowing book stock and document collections belonging to the UMH can be done at any library, independently of either the document's or user's location. Returning borrowed material can also be done in the same way at any UMH library. You can also renew online the books you have borrowed. The book stock of our university is available to you through a [search engine](#). If you would like to photocopy an authorized article or document, there is a photocopier in the lobby of each library. To use these, you need to purchase a card at the copy service.

The libraries possess computers with internet connections for the university community. WiFi access is also available for your electronic equipment; request information about the wireless connections at the loan desk in each library.

The UMH libraries' hours of operations are the following:

- Altea and Orihuela campuses: continuously from 8:30 a.m. – 9 p.m.
- Elche and Sant Joan d'Alacant campuses: continuously from 8 a.m. – 9 p.m.

The hours of operations of the UMH libraries may vary when class is not in session and during holiday periods as well; consult these on the library website. The UMH also has study halls available for students throughout the entire academic course. During examination periods, the UMH provides 24-hour study halls. The timetables and availability of these halls are announced via the online personal access to all UMH students.

Athletics



The UMH offers a large variety of sports to participate in, as well as sporting installations, training courses, and open-air activities you can sign up for during your stay. The Secretary of University Extension – [Sports](#) located on the Elche Campus can inform you of all the possibilities.

Most of the sporting installations at the UMH are located on the Elche Campus. It has paddle tennis courts, a pool, multi-sport courts, and a golf course. At the UMH Sport Pavilion, there are multi-disciplinary rooms where you can practice dance, wrestling, spinning, fitness, aerobics, boxing, gymnastics, Pilates, or have a cardiovascular workout to help keep fit. The Orihuela Campus also has paddle tennis courts, a rugby pitch, and multi-sport courts.

To participate in UMH sports, you can acquire the TDU Sporting Card (*TDU Tarjeta Deportiva*); highly recommended if you would like to take part in several sports or would like to combine sporting participation with attending the UMH gymnasium, among others. You can acquire this card from the Secretary of University Extension; to do so you must provide a passport-sized photo, and this will then provide you access to the weight room and the pool, among other options. If you would like to reserve a multi-sport or paddle court, send an email to deportes@umh.es. To acquire a pool voucher, visit the concierge in the Altabix and Hélike buildings.

Throughout the semester, the Secretary of University Extension – Sports offers the possibility of practicing multiple sporting activities; the proposals will arrive via email or via online personal access as a UMH student. If you would like to sign up for competitions with the UMH sports teams, contact the Secretary of University Extension – Sports for information on how to do just this.

University Culture and Extension

Throughout the year, the Secretary of University Extension – Culture organizes multiple showings, organized visits, recitals, literary, painting, and photography contests, etc. Inform yourself about all their activities by visiting their [blog](#). You will also receive information via your email or personal access as a UMH student throughout the course. Examples of these activities include the UMH Choir, the Celda 1009 and Urbá theatre groups, the university tuna singing groups, in addition to courses and workshops.

Radio UMH



The university radio station broadcasting to the university community offers various programs about science, debate, current affairs, sports, etc. Its programming is produced and organized by the university community (students, faculty, and staff). If you would like to collaborate with Radio UMH or

participate in any of its programs, send suggestions or propose other areas of interest to umhradio@umh.es. You can find information about the radio programming and listen to [Radio UMH online](#).



University dining halls

There are cafeterias and university dining halls on all campuses. In Elche, you will find them in the Altabix, La Galia, and Rectorado and Consejo Social buildings, offering special prices and menus for students, serving both normal and low-calorie food choices. The cafeteria in Sant Joan d'Alacant is located on the ground floor of Edificio I. In Orihuela, it is found on the ground floor in the Tudemir Building.

Students with disabilities

If you have a disability, we recommend you contact the *Área de Atención al Estudiante con Discapacidad*, or ATED (Area of Attention for Students with Disabilities), which forms part of the *Unidad de Acceso, Becas y Atención al Estudiante* (Unit of Access, Grants and Student Services) before visiting the UMH. This office is on the Elche Campus in the Hélike Building (Tel: +34 96 522 2125, email ated@umh.es).

Student Identification card

In order to take full advantage of your free time and acquire significant discounts, the *Institut Valencià de la Joventut*, or IVAJ, (the Valencian Youth Institute), offers you the [Carnet Jove card](#). Its objective is to facilitate mobility and intercommunication for youth, as well as offering significant discounts in shops, cultural and sporting activities, transport, trips, and lodging for trips and activities. All persons between the ages of 14-30 can acquire this card. Its cost is approximately 9 euros and is valid for two years. In Alicante, the IVAJ office is located on the Rambla de Méndez Nuñez, #41. Their telephone number is +34 96 647 8100 and email is alicante_ivaj@gva.es.

Banks

We recommend you open an account at a Spanish bank in order to minimize commissions for transfers or payments you may need to make. To open a bank account, go to the bank with your passport or national identification card. Making an immediate deposit of money is not necessary and the transaction is immediate. The bank account they provide you will be comprised of 20 numbers that will serve for your daily transactions. If you would like to receive money from abroad, you will need to ask the bank for their IBAN or SWIFT/BIC codes of your new account, and then you will need to provide this information to your bank of origin in order to receive international transfers.

The International Bank Account Number (or IBAN) is a series of alphanumeric characters that identify a specific account for a financial entity anywhere in the world. Each bank account corresponds to a single IBAN, and via the IBAN, the country, entity, office, and account are identified. The SWIFT/BIC account code is used worldwide, while the IBAN is used primarily for operations within the European Union.



Business hours

Small businesses in Spain are normally open from 9/10 a.m. – 2 p.m., and then again from 5 – 8 p.m. Large shopping centers and supermarkets are usually open from Monday thru Saturday continuously from 9/10 a.m. – 9/10 p.m. You may request home delivery for purchases, although there may be a surcharge for this service.

HEALTHCARE:

Hospitals, health clinics, and pharmacies

If you come from a country within the European Union, your European Health Insurance Card grants you the right to receive medical attention at any hospital or health clinic. The health clinic will assign you a general practitioner whom you can see for common ailments.

For health emergencies on university campuses, also call 112, or you may direct yourself to the medical service in the Hélike Building on the Elche Campus, or attend the first aid station on the Orihuela Campus (formerly the concierge facilities, next to the student delegation). On the Altea Campus, first aid is available in the sculpture workshop.

Pharmacies are usually open from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., and then again from 5 – 8 p.m., but many remain open continuously during the entire day. Farmacias de guardia are pharmacies that remain open all night long, and these can provide you with any medication you may need after the others have closed. Every pharmacy posts a list of the current farmacias de guardia on the façade outside it, and this information includes their names, addresses, and instructions on how to get there.

Non-European Citizen Students please comply with the terms in your Health Insurance Policy.

In case of an emergency, we recommend that you immediately call 112 or attend the Servicio de urgencias (emergency room) at the nearest hospital. If, on the contrary, it is not an emergency, you should visit a centro de salud (health clinic). Health clinics in Spain are distributed by neighborhoods, and so it is very probable that there is one nearby where you live. Information about all of these is available in the Generalitat Valenciana [website](#).

INTERNET CONNECTION (WIRELESS)



Access to wireless networks: lumhnet, lumhweb and Eduroam

The UMH has a wireless network, conceived as an alternative connection method to meet the needs of users who require specific connections in a dynamic and flexible way.

Coverage is complete in areas of common use or temporary permanence, such as libraries, meeting rooms, function rooms, hallways or large distributors, reading rooms, or study, cafeterias, etc.

There are three types of connections available:

- 1) Secure connection: lumhnet
- 2) Open connection: lumhweb
- 3) Secure connection: eduroam

Full information about configuration and access to the UMH wireless network can be found in [this document](#). (sorry only in Spanish).

ABBREVIATED GUIDE to get into the UMH Wi-Fi network (sorry only in Spanish):



Intended users: Administrative Staff, Teachers and Researchers, Students and any visiting people to the UMH.

Requirements:

- To connect to the lumhnet network, you must have a domain user to validate it.
- To connect to the lumhweb network, you will need a domain user and your ID number or a PIN.
- Visiting users who do not have a domain user or DNI / PIN, may request a password by sending an SMS or filling in a form. (look for it in this [document](#))

You will only need to correctly set up your own devices. To do so please use this [manual](#).

May you find difficulties you can request assistance through the [Centro de Atención al Usuario \(CAU\)](#) with our Computing Services: <https://cat.eduroam.org/?idp=26><https://cat.eduroam.org/?idp=26>

Information and manuals:

To configure the connection to the Wifi network from your device, you can use the [servicio de Eduroam de configuración automática](#), or getting access by using the following QR code:



[Important notice on QR codes readers](#)



You can link to the University wi-fi via a service called Eduroam. Eduroam is an international roaming service for users in research, higher education and further education whose development was financed by the European Union. It provides researchers, lecturers, and students easy and secure network access in their institution as well as when visiting an institution other than their own (i.e. you can use it in any University in Europe).

To use it in Elche:

www.eduroam.es y www.eduroam.org

Equality Unit

[Equality Unit of the Miguel Hernández University of Elche](#) is approved by the Governing Council of 4 February 2009 with the following functions:

- * *Promote a culture in favor of fairness and equal opportunities for men and women.*
- * *Ensure non-discrimination and equal opportunities in access and professional development of teaching and research staff and administration and services.*
- * *Encourage the participation of women in levels of responsibility, representation in the governing bodies of the University.*
- * *Encourage the reconciliation of personal, family and work life of all people working at the University.*

Spanish as a foreign language:

The UMH offers [two-week free intensive introductory courses](#) in Spanish language and culture in September, always adjusted to the weeks prior to the official start of the academic year at our university. **Applications for these courses will be online.**

For more information please visit [our website](#) or contact us: movilidad@umh.es

Language center:

The University has a [language center](#) that offers a number of services to anyone interested in learning modern languages in the UMH and very affordable Spanish language courses all the year round for incoming students.



Service of International Relations

If you are going to engage yourself in a nurturing and exciting experience at our University, your reference point will be the [UMH Service of International Relations](#). It deals with incoming students mobility for studies and placement, and offers a qualified support to EU and non-EU students.

The Service coordinates the administrative and organizational aspects of the various activities by interfacing with the representatives of both the internal structures and partner Universities abroad.

La Galia Building, first floor. Elche Campus
Tel.: +34 96 665 8683, +34 96 522 2175, +34 96 522 2129
Email: voluntariado@umh.es / cooperacion@umh.es
Website: <https://internacional.umh.es/>

Music:

In the University there is the [Young Orchestra and the Choir](#) in which students can take part. The activity encompasses the entire music scene. They promote concerts by walking various stages. For more information, see the website.

Theatre:

Updated information on the theatrical performances of our [UMH Theater Company](#) and on how to be part of it on the different campuses.

If you want to receive our newsletter and be aware of our activities, write us an email to cultura@umh.es

Radio UMH online.

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UMH Erasmus Experience Club



The UMH Erasmus Experience Club forms one part of the Vice Rectorate for International Relations at the Miguel Hernández University of Elche.

The club is managed by a group of UMH students who aim to bring the university closer to all students, especially those attending the UMH on exchange programs.



Its purpose is to facilitate the integration of foreign students into the academic and cultural aspects of our university. This is accomplished by carrying out social and cultural activities, taking field trips and rural excursions, in addition to publicizing knowledge about the countries of origin of the foreign students who are here, learning within our classrooms, making up a part of our university community.

The UMH Erasmus Experience Club organizes many kinds of activities throughout the school year, but it is also yearning for proposals from its members about organizing other activities. You may propose an activity by sending an email to cluberasmus@goumh.umh.es; you may also do so via [Facebook](#).

By creating the UMH Erasmus Experience Club, the UMH intends to create an international forum for interaction, one that is both virtual and up close and ~~personal, that~~ personal that fosters and energizes international interactions and activities among the university community by sharing experiences and organizing various kinds of events. The creation of a student network around the club helps promote the processes of internationalization and Europeanization of all UMH groups through different shared activities. This network also nurtures the development of new forums, face-to-face and virtual alike, for intercultural participation and coexistence.

Club membership

All students enrolled in official UMH programs who are currently carrying out an Erasmus mobility stay of at least one semester in length, during any academic year of their undergraduate program, are eligible for club membership, as are all Erasmus incoming students. Students who have applied for an Erasmus place mobility stay at the UMH for the upcoming school year are also eligible for club membership.

UMH Erasmus Experience Club members enjoy:

- Accreditation as a club member.
- Access to club-related computer applications.
- An invitation to the Erasmus Welcome UMH Workshop.
- Discount of 75% for the UMH athletic card.
- Other additional advantages that materialize in the future.

UMH Erasmus Experience Club members commit themselves to collaborate, as much as possible, in club activities and its promotion, as well as attend planned events that are open to the entire university community; the intent of this collaboration is to enhance their internationalization and mobility experience.

Club operations

The UMH Erasmus Experience Club student coordinator is, for one school year, responsible for managing and marketing club activities. ~~Coordinator candidates are nominated by the Student Delegation~~ The Student Delegation nominates coordinator candidates prior to June 15 of each school year, and then ~~one is appointed by the Vice Rector~~ the Vice Rector appoints one for Student Affairs and Coordination. The coordinator receives 3 credits of their choice, and a possible stipend or travel allowance provided the budget so allows.

Club coordinators may consult with the UMH Erasmus Experience Club Monitoring Committee, which is comprised of the General Student Delegate, Vice Rector for Student Affairs and Coordination, Vice Rector for International Relations, or persons delegated for such, and a representative from the university staff (PAS). Furthermore, the Student Delegation will assist the club coordinator with holding proposed activities in addition to their promotion via their respective structures.

The club coordinator prepares a plan of activities for the subsequent school year before July 15 for the UMH Erasmus Experience Club Monitoring Committee for its possible approval on or before September 15. Throughout each school year, the coordinator, with approval by the General Student Delegation, may propose activities in addition to those initially planned provided they contribute to club objectives. Each annual report must include, at least, an Erasmus Student Welcome UMH Workshop, activities that promote groups for conversation, the use of foreign languages, and that establish social networks, both physical and via new information technologies, for disseminating and setting activities in motion.

The coordinator is also responsible for ensuring that the entire university community is aware of the club and its activities.

Before the end of each school year, the coordinator prepares an annual report about the activities carried out during that school year. This is then submitted to the Monitoring Committee for approval before July 30. At such time, the coordinator steps down provided a new coordinator has been appointed for the upcoming school year.

For further information or for any questions you may have, you may write the club via email to cluberasmus@umh.es. If you would like to read the complete document detailing the creation of the UMH Erasmus Experience Club, consult the following [link](#) (the document is in Spanish).

ACADEMIC ISSUES

Calendar

The following days are **without academic activities in the 2020/2021 UMH academic year**:-

First Semester	
Academic Course Inauguration	October 1 st .
Valencian Community Day	October 9 th .
Hispanic Heritage Day / Columbus Day	October 12 th .
Local holiday for the Elche Campus	November 2 nd .
Welcome Party Day	November 6 th .
All Saints	November 1 st .
Festivity of the Spanish Constitution	December 6 th .
Immaculate Conception holiday	December 8 th .
Christmas break	December the 24 th . to January the 6 th .
Celebration of Saint Thomas Aquinas	January 28 th .

Second Semester	
Spring Holiday	March 18 th .
St. José's Day / Spanish Fathers' Day	March 19 th .
Easter week	April 1 st . to April 11 th .
Local holiday for the Elche Campus	April 12 th .
Local holiday for the Sant Joan d'Alacant Campus	April 15 th .
Labour Day	May 1 st .