



**E-Learning Research (Post-graduate)**

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Through the International Graduate Institute, the Universitat Oberta de Catalunya (Open University of Catalonia, UOC) is taking another step in leading the way in quality online continuous education, offering people, organisations and companies a range of programmes of recognised academic rigour, geared towards the needs of professionals and with a clearly international vision and orientation.

The intensive use of information and communication technologies (ICTs) in the programmes offered by the UOC's International Graduate Institute ensures that participants gain knowledge of the tools needed for communicating and creating the social relation networks required by today's society and the people and organisations comprising it.

The International Graduate Institute offers a wide range of Graduate Training programmes in modular and progressive format (Masters, graduate diplomas and specialisations) accredited by quality agencies and with official and the university's own degrees, depending on the case. In addition, each of the International Graduate Institute's areas of knowledge makes available to you a wide range of open programmes of recognised quality, accessible to all, as well as a specific bespoke training offer for companies.

Innovation is the lynchpin of an educational offer, the aim of which is to stimulate entrepreneurship and which places particular emphasis on training people in the skills that today's society demands.

The satisfaction of thousands of students and graduates backs us up. If you wish, come and join our university community. We are looking forward to receiving you and welcome your contributions to help us all continue building this valid and effective training offer for all related people and institutions.

**Josep M. Duart**

Vice President, Postgraduate Studies and Lifelong Learning

## A university open to the world

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Internet use and the asynchronous model facilitate worldwide student participation in Graduate Training programmes. The international dimension to the university emerges through inter-university agreements that facilitate the mobility and presence of students in the classrooms from different geographical backgrounds, with a series of common characteristics that enable them to share interests and enrich learning.

The profile of Graduate Training participants is characterised by the following features:

- Advanced knowledge and users of new technologies
- 12% with international origins
- 81% aged between 25 and 45
- 83% have a job

Over 20,000 professionals have completed different activities on the frequent Graduate Training teaching programme.

## Postgraduate in E-Learning Research

Research into e-learning is currently undergoing a process of considerable growth. The eLearn Center at the UOC focuses its research projects on this area of investigation and is a meeting place between education and information and communications technologies. The aim of this Postgraduate course is to provide researchers with both the epistemological and methodological tools needed to develop high-quality e-learning research projects.

### Who it's for

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The professional profile of students will generally include an ability to develop practical investigations in the field of virtual learning (e-learning): These will include educational research professionals who would like an introduction to e-learning, professionals in the area of technology who are looking to learn the educational and methodological foundations to focus their activities on e-learning and all those students looking to undertake a doctoral thesis to begin their research career in this field of knowledge.

### Academic aims

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- To identify the problems associated with research in this field
- To design research projects
- To appropriately apply the correct methods and techniques in each project
- To communicate and disseminate the results obtained

### Methodology

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The UOC pedagogical model is based on the participant, who works independently, managing their time and building their own learning itinerary through interaction and cooperative work.

Through the Virtual Campus, they achieve in-depth and flexible learning, without barriers of space or time, anywhere and at any time.

This model provides personalised attention from professionals, teachers and highly regarded specialists, who accompany each participant on an individual basis and the group as a whole in the construction of their new knowledge.

The teaching materials and resources include and integrate contents, practical applications and tools that are directly related to the environment and specific work activities. This programme uses a varied combination of methodologies, since the participants are active professionals and the exchange of their own professional experiences will play a very relevant part in achieving the academic aims.

Participants entering the virtual campus environment for the first time will complete parallel training at the start of the teaching programme based on a short introductory course where they will learn to browse the environment, learn how it works and how to use the communication and teaching spaces.

## Materials

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UOC graduate courses have digital format materials. Students receive the materials as the course progresses.

## Programme structure and contents

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- E-learning research
- Research methods
- Data analysis techniques
- Constructing research tools
- Postgraduate programme end-of-course project

## Entry requirements

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To gain entry to the programme, participants need to have **an authenticated university qualification**.

If they do not, an entry committee will assess applicants' knowledge and experience on the basis of their CV.

## Qualifications

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Once the overall assessment process has been completed successfully, the UOC will issue an **Postgraduate in E-Learning Research** Diploma to those participants with an accredited university qualification that is valid in Spain.

Should you not have such a qualification, an **E-Learning Research** Certificate will be issued.

## Assessment system

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Assessment of the learning process is continuous and focuses mainly on work that facilitates the integration of knowledge and the acquisition of skills for the professional practice of each student.

If you would like more information about the assessment system, do not hesitate to contact our training advisors on +34 93 326 30 00 or send an e-mail to [queries@uoc.edu](mailto:queries@uoc.edu).

## Enrolment

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The cost of this programme should be confirmed when registration is formalised.

## Other advantages

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The UOC Graduates and Former Students Club represents the continuity of the concept of the university community with voluntary membership when not currently enrolled.

The UOC Club focuses on offering services, resources and activities in the field of personal and professional development. The main axes of action are professional projection, informal or post-training learning, culture, leisure, relationships and the exchange of experiences and knowledge.

Virtual Library, connection with the world's leading libraries and availability of extensive consultation services. Virtual Cooperative, being a member of the cooperative allows students to enjoy its library services and IT material. Virtual communication spaces, which facilitate relations with other participants and professionals through Campus forums and chat rooms.

## Information and enrolment

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If you would like more details about the graduate programmes, please contact our training advisors:

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- Email: [queries@uoc.edu](mailto:queries@uoc.edu)
- In person at any of the UOC's centres.

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