

# Double Degree – Summary of Experience Reports

## Before your Studies

### *Administration in Münster*

- Gather documents: Bachelor certificate, Certificate of enrolment for the masters program in Münster, etc.
- Learning Agreement
- You can request for a leave of absence for two semester (Urlaubssemester) and get your semester fee back. Requesting this is optional
- Take care of insurance

### *Finding your way through the administration in Seville*

- You get your UVUS username per mail and must set a password.
- Register in two online platforms (UVUS username needed):
  - o Servius: for enrolment and personal data. Like SelfService of Uni Muenster
  - o Ensenanza Virtual (also known as Blackboard): for your content of studies, e.g. lecture notes are uploaded there. Like Lernweb
- Register in the university system of Spain:
  - o The coordinator of the Universidad de Sevilla will guide you through it and this is necessary because of some little things that need to be considered.
  - o In the end you get the “carta de pago”. The studying fee (about 900€) is listed here, even though you do not have to pay it.
- Courses in the masters program start a month after the language and Grado (bachelor) courses

### *Finding an apartment*

- Online platform: idealista
- Start looking before you arrive and make appointments for viewings when you are there.
- Arrive at least one or two weeks before the start of the term and stay e.g. in an Airbnb. It is easier to find a (shared) flat when you are there.
- In general, finding an apartment is easier than in Münster.
- It is common to pay the rent in cash.
- It can get hot in summer, so make sure you have air conditioning.

- Most flats do not have heating or just electrical ones. Even though the temperature is not falling under 0 degrees, it can be cold in winter.
- Recommendations for neighbourhoods:
  - Triana: close to the river, cheap rent, 15 minutes' walk to the city centre
  - Santa Cruz: many students and bars, central but quiet, historic part of the town
  - Los Remedios: cheap rent, close to sports stadium and public park. 10-15 minutes by bike to Campus de la Reina Mercede, location of the “best week of the year” (Feria de Abril) – a 7 days in a row party

## During your Studies

### *Administration on location*

- International Office:
  - Get the form signed which confirms your arrival, get it signed again right before your departure at the end of your stay.
  - They will treat you like an Erasmus student, even if you have another scholarship (DAAD, etc.).
- Emails you will get:
  - A new carta de pago, the new fee is about 7€ which you have to pay. Beware, this is the only time you actually have to pay!
  - You are requested to upload some documents on Buzonweb.us.es with a two days' notice!
  - You are asked to appear in several offices. For this you need to request an appointment at <https://institucional.us.es/cprevias/>.

### *Courses*

- Register at International Office -> they integrate your courses in “Blackboard”. You get the forms for registration there. Bring some time, a lot of students have to register their courses. In addition, it can take time until your courses are viewable in Blackboard, but they should be there at lecture start.
- Your Courses must be confirmed by the Escuela Internacional de Posgrado (Pabellón de México) for the master courses and by the secretary office of the Department of Physics for the Grado (Bachelor) courses.
- You have two profiles in “Sevius”, one for international students (your language and Grado courses are registered there), and one for your master studies. Take care that your courses are registered in the right profile and no course is registered in both profiles.

- You can change your courses at the beginning of the term at the International Office. Then change your Learning Agreement at the secretary office of physics.
- Course location (mostly) at Campus de la reina mercedes
- Seat reservation in the library at [https://bib.us.es/utiliza\\_la\\_biblioteca/reserva\\_puesto\\_lectura](https://bib.us.es/utiliza_la_biblioteca/reserva_puesto_lectura).

### *Learning Spanish*

- Register at International Office, like all other courses.
- You can take all levels from A2 on

### *Leisure activities*

- International communities, which organise events and activities for international students:
  - o Erasmus Club Sevilla (ECS)
  - o ESN
- Places of interest in the city:
  - o Nightlife hotspots: Alameda de Hércules, Alfalfa
  - o Shopping centre in Nervión
  - o Pubs: Bare Nostrum, Calle San Jacinto, Calle Betis
  - o Puente Isabel Segunda – Bridge to Triana, popular meeting point, great place to watch the sunset
  - o Weekly markets at Puente isabel segunda (not isabel dos), Mercado de triana, Mercado de feria
  - o German bakery: “Das Brot” in neighbourhood Feria
- Places of interest in grater area:
  - o Lakes for swimming: Lagos del Serrano, close to Sierra Norte; Embalses in Aznalcollar
  - o Cerro del Hierro for hiking
  - o Cordoba Mezquita and rooftops
  - o Granada, many Miradors, la alhambra (guided even better)
  - o Italica, Roman ruins
  - o Cadiz, Beach
  - o Surf camp in el palmar
- Bikes
  - o Second hand shop ”Rebiciclate”: they buy the bike back for half the price on presentation of the bill
  - o Decathlon.es, have it delivered to a local shop
  - o Do not take a bike from “Sevici”
- Further Tips:

- Platforms like “ebay Kleinanzeigen”: <https://www.milanuncios.com/>, <https://www.wallapop.com/>
- Second hand shop for everything: Cash Converter
- Popular sport type Paddle, a mix of tennis and squash

## After your studies

*What do you need to provide to get your master degree from Seville?*

- Get your departure confirmed at International Office
- Get your transcripts of records (online), one for the masters and one for Grado programs