

Social Demography Double Degree Master

What impact did the recent economic crisis have on individuals' living and working conditions, on individuals' study and career choices, on social inequalities and social cohesion? What are the consequences of migration by Indian adults to Europe for the family that stays behind and for both societies involved? Which role do women play today in the household economy and what impact does it have on gender relations and the society at large? What are the processes behind population change, ageing, geographical and social differences in fertility, migration, and health?

Background

The International Master in Social Demography is a Double Degree Program offered jointly by the Department of Political and Social Sciences of the Universitat Pompeu Fabra (UPF) of Barcelona and the Faculty of Spatial Sciences of the University of Groningen (UoG). After the successful completion of the program students end up with two official diplomas:

- Master of Research in Sociology and Demography, issued by the University Pompeu Fabra
- Master of Science in Population Studies, issued by the University of Groningen

The double degree program, which is entirely offered in English, combines the strengths of two of the highest-ranked Social Science Departments in Europe to offer high level research training in Sociology and Demography.

Objective

To train young professionals and social scientists in the theories, analytical and methodological tools from both sociology and demography to conduct high quality research on how individuals' main life events (e.g. childbirth, education, marriage, occupation, divorce, death) both influence and are influenced by the social and geographical context in which they live. The program emphasizes the study of both advanced and developing societies from an unique interdisciplinary and dynamic perspective.



FIRST YEAR: UPF, BARCELONA

(late September to mid-March)

COMPULSORY MODULES (30 ECTS)

- Demographic Changes and Social Dynamics
- Social Policies and the Welfare State
- Statistical Analysis Techniques I
- Statistical Analysis Techniques II
- Gender, Family and Society
- Analysis of Social Inequalities

ELECTIVES (10 ECTS)

e.g. Foundations of Political and Social Research; Health and Inequality; Labour Economics

SECOND YEAR: UG, GRONINGEN

(early September to beginning of May)

COMPULSORY MODULES (30 ECTS)

- Theories of Demographic Behavior
- Research Process & Qualitative Workshop
- Demographic Data, Measures and methods
- Life Tables & Population Projections
- Advanced Survey Analysis
- Population Policies and Interventions

ELECTIVES (10 ECTS)

e.g. Healthy Ageing; Population & Development; Migration; Advanced Qualitative Research

THESIS (20 ECTS): defense either in Barcelona or in Groningen early July second year

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