





Do you have any questions or suggestions?

Would you like to tell us about your experience?

Contact us



Spanish, Portuguese, French, Italian, Romanian. It will be easier for you!





Adapted to the university setting

Available in Spanish, Basque, Galician, Aranese, French, Portuguese, Italian,

What is Intercat?

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Further information:

Catalan universities that promote Intercat CUR: Commission for Universities and Research



Did you know...

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Fires are lit in the street and fireworks are exploded.



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Information on the Catalan language







We're waiting for you in the Language Services!

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This multimedia platform is available in nine different languages: Catalan, Spanish, English, German, French, Basque, Galician, Occitan and Chinese.

- -To promote the independent learning of the Catalan language.
- -To aid in the simultaneous learning of various Romance languages.
- -To aid in the adoption of and adaptation to a language and culture.
- -To inform on the support activities regarding the Catalan language at Catalan universities.



Resources

- -Numerous open-access teaching aids with tutorial.
- -Numerous virtual and blended-learning tools and information on other classroom learning tools at the universities.

Levels of ability

Resources are available for a variety of levels of language ability:

- -For those starting from scratch (elementary level A1).
- -For those who know just a bit (basic level A2).
- -For the independent user (intermediate B1 advanced B2).

Who is It for?

It's a tool designed especially for international students and for all Catalan-speaking students who leave to study abroad.





If you want to learn Catalan, we make it easy for you! At Intercat, we offer virtual educational resources to learn the language. You'll also find information on courses offered at Catalan universities and all you need to know about attaining an official certificate in the Catalan language.



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I'm learning Catalan

Do you want to learn Catalan? We make it easy for you! With your effort and our help, you can do it. We provide you with a series of courses, guides and activities that will let you attain your goal.

In addition, we will tell you how you can obtain an official certificate in the Catalan language and will show you the resources that exist for you to stay in contact with Catalan from outside Catalonia.

There's no excuse. Speak Catalan!



Basic Catalan course

Speakcat is one of them

Practice your newly learned Catalan!

With Sisplau, you can do it

Beginners' course with mainly oral

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The time: hours and timetables

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English	Català	
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day	el día	
morning	el matí	
midday	el migdia des and s	
afternoon	la tarda	
	el vespre	

Accomodation

Looking for accommodation / Furniture and fittings / Econom

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Allotjament

English	Català Player.
(toilet) bowl, toilet	våter
advantage	avantatge
apartment / flat	apartament
baker's	forn de pa
balcony	balcó
balcony (larger), terrasse	terrassa
bath	bany
bed	llit
bench	banc
blanket	flassada
blind	persiana
boarding house	pensió
boiler	escalfador
break to	espatllar-se
bus	autobús

5. At the Library

Biblioteca

Before entering / Asking for books / Other services at the library / The card /

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PARTS DEL DIA	English	Català
dia	article	article
matí	ask for (to)	demanar
migdia ses	and selas	atles
tarda	author	autor
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Medical attention

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Asking for medical assistance / Going to the doctor's / Buying medicine / Insurance / S

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English

Català

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- Level: ompetence, advanced and intermediate
- Aim: draw up formal texts, presentations and essays and acquire skills for various communication situations.
- It's for: all types of university student.

- Level: basic, elementary, intermediate and competence
- Aim: learn Catalan independently.
- Two modes of study: independent learning or with tutorial.
- Material: various exercises, videos and listening tools, games, animated media, etc.



- Level: basic
- Aim: learn various Romance languages simultaneously.
- Five modules: dialogues, monologues, computer games, audiovisual documents and oral, written and reading activities.
- It's for: those who already know another Romance language.

Level:

- A1 listening comprehension
- Between B1 and B2 for written skills
- Material: contrasting grammar, a teaching guide and a small sample of self-evaluation texts and activities.
- It's for: teachers and students that already know another Romance language.

Catalan courses

The language services of the universities offer classroom Catalan courses.

Official certificates

Catalan universities grant Catalan language certificates that are officially recognised as equivalent to the corresponding certificates issued by the Secretariat for Language Policy of the Government of Catalonia.

Catalan abroad

You can also learn Catalan through the Catalan lectureships and *Casals catalans* (Catalan cultural centres) that exist all over the world.





There is no better way of getting to know the culture, customs and language of a place than spending time with its people. At Intercat you'll find information on exchange programmes and support material for familiarising yourself with the culture and language that the Catalan universities have on offer.



Sign me up!

We know that you are arriving in a new place and are just beginning to settle somewhere with different people and customs, but we want you to feel at home.

With the language exchange service and our language volunteers, you will learn Catalan while making friends.

Oh, and... welcome to Catalonia!

Language exchange

Do you want to do a conversation exchange with Catalan and another language with foreign students at your university?

Can we talk?

Language volunteers

Do you want to be a volunteer?

Do you want to provide linguistic and cultural support to students taking part in exchange programmes at your university?

Experiences

Ana Luisa Rivera

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"I enrolled for a Catalan course because I think it is important to learn the language and culture of the place you are living. That's the only way not to feel like a tourist.





Send to a friend

I learned Catalan

Broaden your horizons at Pompeu Fabra University



Sarah, Diane, Zouhair and Lorena all decided to
Catalonia to extend their training or gain more
professional experience at Pompeu Fabra University
(UPF) in Barcelona. So did Cristina and Hallie, who also
wanted to take part in the language exchange
programme, along with Teresa and Marta. In this video
they tell us about their experience of Catalonia and the

Sign up for language exchanges at the University of Giro



Hana, Carmen, Dorota and Hana are mobility stuwho decided to come to Catalonia and study at f University of Girona (UdG). Kira is from Andorr Anna is Catalan. They both take part in tander UdG's language exchange programmes. The f video is a brief summary of what they told us visited them at their university.

Experience university at the Autonomous University Barcelona



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Language exchanges

Conversations (catalan – another language) between international students and Catalans.

2 modes of study:

Language tandems: with an equal exchange of languages.

Language volunteering: to facilitate the learning process without the exchange of a language counterpart.

The exchanges take place:

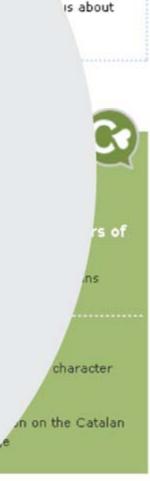
- In-person
- Virtually (Skype, chats or forums)

Cultural welcome programme



Initiates like the programme *Ajuda'm* make sure that students receive a warm welcome.

Ajuda'm prepares students from Catalonia so that they can better explain and transmit the habits and customs of Catalan society to newcomers.



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Cultural welcome programme

Ajuda'm!

Do you want to find out how to explain the customs in Catalan students? Here is a collection of resources to help you welcom



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Cultural welcome itineraries

The cultural welcome pathways are intended as support for le beginner students who are taking classroom-based courses, u centres or taking part in language exchange programmes.



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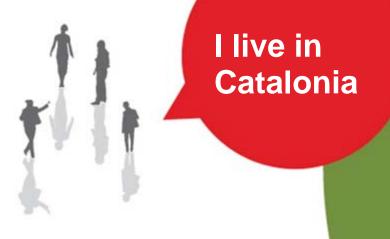
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A Catalan survival course by Rovira i Virgili University for inte programme includes:

- 10 hours of classroom Catalan lessons
- . 10 hours of conversation with a native Catalan
- Session on Catalan culture
- City visit



Gràcies Programme. Introduction



To live and feel Catalonia one must get to know its sociolinguistic reality and the heart of its people. At Intercat, we help you discover some of Catalonia's most identifying traits and customs. You'll also find out about cultural and leisure opportunities to help make your stay even more enjoyable.



I live in Catalonia

We provide you with all of the information you need to have a detailed overview of this big puzzle that is Catalonia, a place where linguistic and cultural diversity are present wherever you go. We also want to show you all of the recreational activities on offer here, as well as the main festivals.

Don't miss a thing!

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Lingcat will help you to understand the sociolinguistic reality of Catalonia and specifically the situation of contact between languages.



...to help you understand the Catalan character. A series of lectures aimed generally at all universities outside

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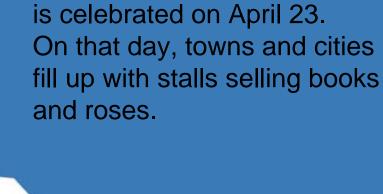
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Sant Jordi (St. George's Day)



The summer solstice is celebrated on the festival of Sant Joan (St. John's Day) with fires lit in the street and fireworks.

In Catalan, time is expressed in quarters of hours. Two quarters of 10 means 9.30.



A pocket guide on the habits and inner-workings of Catalan society.

Cultural guides and agendas online and in print.

Website that brings you closer to the sociolinguistic reality of Catalonia and the way in which it affects university life. Check it out before you come—it could be very useful!





























Intercat is the result of a collaborative project between the Language Policy Office of the Commission for Universities and Research of the Ministry of Innovation, Universities and Enterprise of the Government of Catalonia and the language services of the Catalan universities.