

FACULTY OF EDUCATION OF BILBAO

EHU – University of the Basque Country

International Mobility Offer · Academic Year 2026–2027

Bachelor's Degrees in Primary Education & Early Childhood Education

Why Choose the Faculty of Education of Bilbao?

Nestled in the heart of Bilbao — one of Europe's most dynamic and transformed cities — our Faculty offers international students a truly unique educational experience. As part of EHU, the University of the Basque Country, we combine academic excellence with a rich multilingual and multicultural environment that is hard to find anywhere else in Europe.

Multilingual Environment Study in English, Spanish, and immerse yourself in Basque — one of Europe's oldest and most fascinating languages. Bilingualism is embedded in our curriculum.	Internationally Recognised Degrees Our Bachelor's Degrees in Primary and Early Childhood Education are aligned with the European Higher Education Area (EHEA) and fully compatible with Erasmus credit recognition.
Bilbao: A City That Inspires Home to the Guggenheim Museum and renowned for its cultural regeneration, Bilbao is a vibrant, safe, and welcoming city with excellent transport links across Europe.	Real Classroom Experience Through our unique PAIC internship programme, visiting students can gain hands-on teaching experience in real Basque public schools — a rare opportunity in international mobility.
Strong International Community Our BHF Buddy Programme pairs incoming students with local student ambassadors, ensuring a smooth transition and an active social life from day one.	Innovation in Education Our faculty is at the forefront of pedagogical innovation, with courses on ICT integration, inclusive education, multilingual pedagogy, and psychomotor development.

Course Offer for Visiting Students

We have designed themed course packs that allow students to build a coherent and enriching academic experience. Each semester offers a selection of packs from which students can choose. All these courses are taught in English.

Flexible Curriculum: Language Substitution Option Students may replace one or two courses within any pack with a language course (6 ECTS each): → Spanish for Foreigners (6 ECTS) → Basque (Euskera) for Foreigners (6 ECTS) This is a great opportunity to develop language skills while living and studying in a genuinely bilingual region.

First Semester

PACK 1 – Foreign Language Teaching and Communicative Development [30 ECTS]				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Foreign Language Teaching	Development in English communicative competence	English for the Infant and Primary classroom	French	Development of English Linguistic competence

PACK 2 – Core Pedagogies in Education [30 ECTS]

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Foreign Language Teaching	Physical Education & its didactics OR Plastic & Visual Culture in Early childhood education ---	English for the Infant and Primary classroom	Theory and History of Education OR French ---	Physical Education & its didactics OR Plastic & Visual Culture in Early childhood education
	Information & Communication technology in Early childhood education		Information & Communication technology in Early childhood education	

Second Semester**PACK 1 – Integrated Didactics in Education**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Didactics of Social Sciences	Principles of Language Teaching in Early Childhood	Plastic Arts & Visual Culture in Early Childhood --	Didactics of Foreign Language Teaching (EN/FR)	Development of Musical Expression --
		Development of Musical Expression		Plastic Arts & Visual Culture in Early Childhood

PACK 2 – Teaching for Multilingual and Creative Learning

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Principles of Language Teaching in Primary Education in Multilingual Settings	Information & communication technology in Primary Education	Plastic Arts & Visual Culture in Early Childhood --	Didactics of Foreign Language Teaching (EN/FR) --	Development of Musical Expression --
		Development of Musical Expression	Information & communication technology in Primary Education	Plastic Arts & Visual Culture in Early Childhood

The PAIC Programme – PractInComing: Real Teaching Experience in Basque Schools

One of the most distinctive features of our international offer is the PAIC (PractInComing) programme — an initiative that allows visiting students to complete a genuine school placement in Basque public schools in the province of Bizkaia.

This is not just an observation: depending on the Practicum level, students design, deliver, and evaluate their own teaching interventions in real classrooms. This is a transformative experience that sets our faculty apart from most European exchange programmes.

Practicum Level	Duration	Main Focus
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Practicum I	6ECTS	School observation and discovery. Immersion in the Basque educational context.
Practicum II	12ECTS	Deeper analysis of the school, structured observations, and comparative reflection.
Practicum III	18ECTS	Designing, implementing, and evaluating teaching interventions in the classroom.

How PAIC Works with Academic Courses

PAIC is flexible by design. Students can:

- Take PAIC as a standalone programme, fully dedicated to the school placement.
- Combine PAIC with courses from any of the semester packs above.

In both cases, students receive dedicated support from both a university tutor and a school tutor throughout their placement.

What Students Gain from PAIC

Through the PAIC programme, visiting students develop a rich set of competencies aligned with the UPV/EHU Transversal Competency Catalogue and the UN 2030 Agenda:

- Applying pedagogical theory to real classroom practice
- Understanding the Basque multilingual and multicultural educational model
- Developing professional teaching skills through guided reflection
- Building cross-cultural understanding and inclusive education practices
- Contributing to international research partnerships between their home institution and UPV/EHU

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We look forward to welcoming your students to Bilbao!