

GUIDE FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

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1 WELCOME TO IED DE MADRID

The world needs new visions,
new forms, new environments.
The World needs Design.

Prepare to make it feasible, useful, and close to the reality of different industries and needs such as social impact, sustainability, and technological connection.

For 30 years, IED Madrid has been a reference of prestige and innovation in higher education in the fields of Fashion Design, Graphic Design, Interior Design, and Product Design. We can proudly boast of having led our students to the highest positions and recognitions in the creative industries..



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1 IED MADRID CAMPUSES

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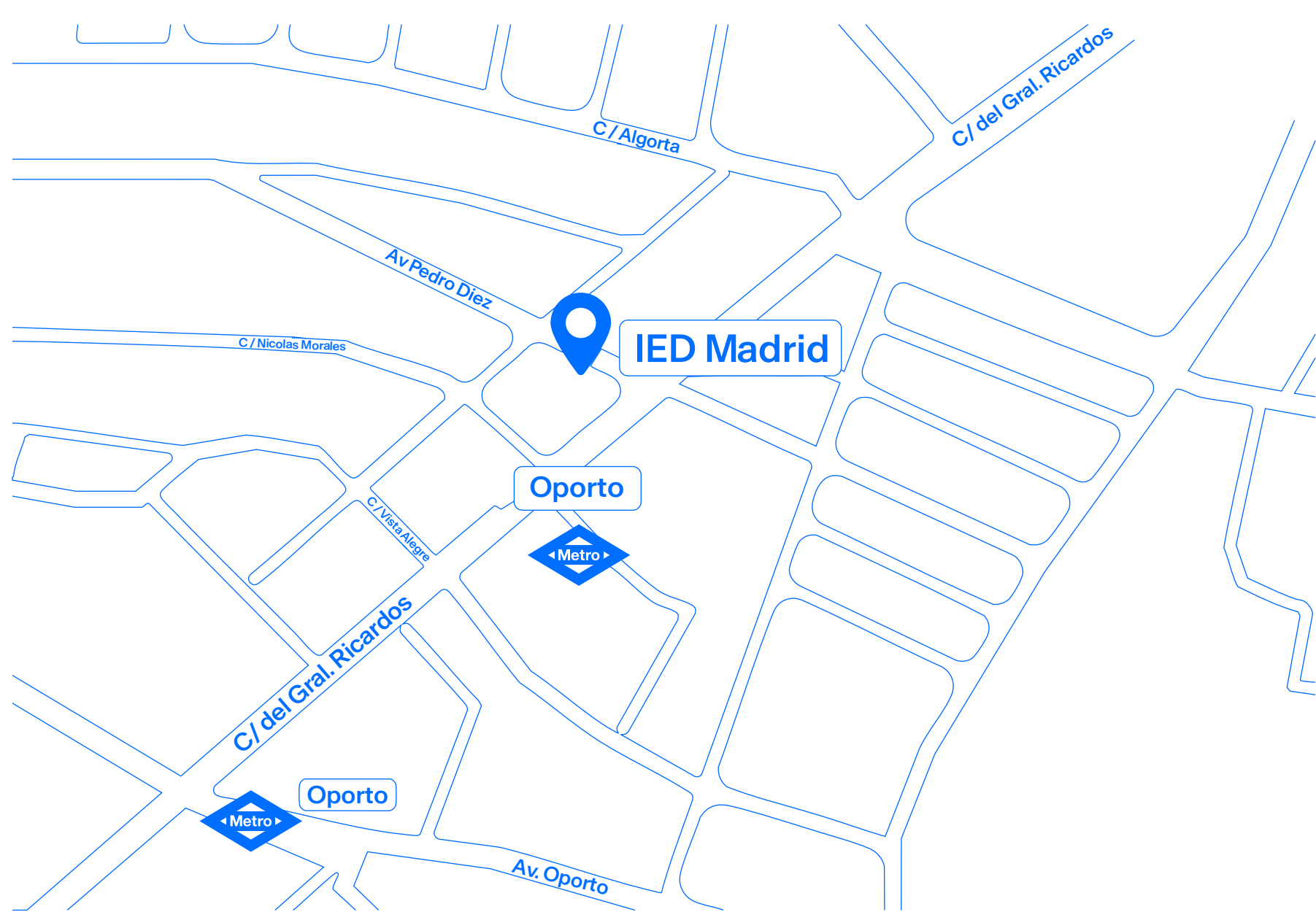
Located behind Gran Vía, in the heart of Madrid, the Palace of the Count of Altamira is a baroque building designed by Ventura Rodríguez, completely renovated to house the main headquarters of IED in Madrid.



IED DESIGN DISTRICT

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A former furniture factory, later a printing press, and now, with the arrival of IED, a spectacular hub of innovation and education awarded by The New York Times through its design magazine T-Magazine in 2020.





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3 REQUIRED DOCUMENTS AND PROCEDURES

STUDENT VISA

Before Your Arrival in Madrid you will need to apply for your student visa at the Consulate or Embassy of Spain corresponding to your country.

You can access the website of the [Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Spain](#) to find the location of the Spanish Consulate or Embassy in your home nation.

The Embassy or Consulate itself will guide you on the necessary documents for the correct processing of the authorization.

You will not need authorization if you hold a passport from Germany, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Croatia, Denmark, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Estonia, Finland, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Norway, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Czech Republic, Romania, Sweden, or Switzerland. However, it will be necessary to register with the local authorities upon arrival in Spain.

At this [link](#), you can find all the necessary information to apply for your student residence permit.

Consider the deadlines to gather all the necessary documents and keep in mind that the Consulate may take weeks to process your application, so we advise you to contact them well in advance to schedule an appointment within the appropriate deadlines.

MEDICAL INSURANCE

To obtain the visa, you will need private medical insurance with repatriation coverage (to be provided and paid for by the student), which certifies that you have health care coverage in Spain.

If you want to contract private medical insurance in Spain, IED Madrid has agreements with Adeslas and Sanitas. All of them offer full coverage policies at special prices for IED students. The contact information for the companies we collaborate with, to whom you should always communicate that you are a student at IED Madrid, are:

- **Adeslas**
Boryana Yordanova
YordanovaBo@agente.segurcaixaadeslas.es

info@saludon.es

Phone/Wha: 650 870 815

- **Sanitas**
Miguel Arroyo Rueda
marroyo@sanitas.es

Why is it essential to have medical insurance?

It is imperative to have comprehensive medical insurance that covers any illness or accident that may occur during your stay in Spain. Not only is it a matter of safety for students, but it is also a legal requirement for anyone studying in the country. It is important to note that travel insurance does not meet this requirement. Although most insurance companies collaborate with healthcare providers.

Specifically, we suggest that if you have medical insurance in your home country or country of residence that includes international coverage, you familiarize yourself with the details of your policy, as well as the applicable procedures, restrictions, and requirements. Additionally, the insurance must be provided by an insurer or entity that operates in Spain.

MUNICIPALITY REGISTRATION (EMPADRONAMIENTO)

“Empadronamiento” or Municipality Registration is a procedure carried out at the Town Hall of your place of residence and serves as official proof of your address in Spain. It is required for all individuals living in the country, whether temporarily or permanently. This registration allows local authorities to keep track of the population and gives you access to various public services. It is usually a simple and quick procedure.

At the following [link](#), you will find all the necessary information about the “Empadronamiento” process in Madrid.

FOREIGNER IDENTITY CARD (TIE): FOR NON UE STUDENTS

What is the TIE?

The TIE (Tarjeta de Identidad de Extranjero, or Foreigner Identity Card) is the document that proves you are legally residing in Spain and that you are the holder of a Study Residence Authorization. Once you arrive in Spain with your 90-day student visa, you will need to apply for the TIE card, which certifies your legal stay as a foreign national in the country.

This card includes your personal details, a photograph, and indicates the type of residence authorization you hold. It replaces the student visa issued in your home country and serves as official proof of your legal stay in Spain for study purposes.

At the following [link](#), you can find all the information related to the TIE application process.

**EUROPEAN UNION
REGISTRATION
CERTIFICATE (CRUE): FOR
UE STUDENTS**

The European Union (EU) Registration Certificate is an official document that certifies the right of a citizen from an EU member state to reside in another member state.

This certificate is part of the measures that facilitate the free movement of people within the European Union, and it confirms that an EU citizen has fulfilled the legal requirements to reside in the host country.

At the following [link](#), you can find all the information related to the application process for your EU Registration Certificate (CRUE).



4 ACCOMMODATION

LIVING IN MADRID

Welcome to Madrid, one of the most international and cosmopolitan European capitals today, with an immense and diverse cultural, gastronomic, and employment offer.

Determining the exact cost of living is complicated; however, here are some estimates that could guide you:

- The monthly purchase of food and basic products could range around 200 euros.
- For people under the age of 26, the monthly cost of a public transportation card is approximately 20 euros.
- As for mobile phone services, monthly rates can range between 20 and 50 euros.
- On the other hand, home internet service prices are usually around 50 euros per month.

WHERE TO LIVE IN THE DYNAMIC CITY OF MADRID?

Keep in mind that Madrid is a city perfectly connected by an excellent public transport network, so you will always be able to arrive on time for your classes!

There are various accommodation options: student residences, private apartments, or shared apartments. It is advisable to start looking for accommodation as soon as possible to ensure availability of the option that best suits your preferences.

Renting a studio or apartment in Madrid can range from 800 to 1,500 euros per month, depending on the neighborhood where it is located. We suggest exploring the different districts of Madrid at this [link](#).

STUDENT RESIDENCES

It is a good option until you become familiar with the city as they offer additional services such as full board or laundry service. It can be the starting point to make friends and get to know Madrid.

RENTING - REAL ESTATE AGENCIES AND ONLINE SEARCH ENGINES

Do you already have experience living on your own and prefer to live with greater independence? When renting an apartment, the most important factor determining the rental price is whether you decide to share the apartment or not.

PRICES

Although the prices for renting an apartment in Madrid vary depending on many factors, including the student's personal taste and needs, you can expect to pay rent between €800 and €1700 per month for a one or two bedroom apartment. If you plan to share an apartment with other students, you can expect to pay less.

RENTAL CONTRACT

We always recommend visiting the apartment in person before signing a contract. It is also important not to make any payments to the landlord before signing a contract to avoid scams. Rental contracts usually last for a year, although sometimes you can negotiate with the landlord to rent the apartment for a shorter period. Typically, landlords ask for a security deposit, which can be equal to the cost of one to six months' rent. These terms can be negotiated with the landlord. Additionally, it is important to always ask for a receipt for payments and a contract signed by both parties.

SERVICES

Additional expenses such as electricity, water, gas, wifi, are not usually included in the rent. We recommend that you confirm these terms with your landlord before signing the contract.

5 CITY TRANSPORTATION

Guide on how
to get around the city.

FROM THE AIRPORT TO THE CITY

Madrid Barajas - Adolfo Suárez Airport is located about 12 km from the city center. It has four terminals (T1, T2, T3, and T4) with direct access to different means of transportation.

- By Bus Express 24 hours which connects the Airport with the city center (Cibeles and Atocha Renfe).
€5
- By metro with line 8 (pink color).
€4.50 - 5.
- By taxi.
The journey to and from the airport by taxi has a fixed cost of €30.

AROUND THE CITY

- Metro and bus
 - ✓ 1 trip from € 1.50
 - ✓ 10-trip ticket € 6.10
 - ✓ 30-Day Youth Pass
€10/month for all fare zones and valid until the date of turning 26.

The cost of issuing the personal transportation card is €4.

To discover all available routes and their trajectories, download the Madrid Transport app by CRTM..

- BiciMAD
Move around Madrid by bike. Become a user of the bikes with an annual subscription or as an occasional user by purchasing a card for 1, 3, or 5 days.
- Taxi
It is possible to take a taxi from the street without prior reservation.
- VTC
Offers various transportation options to get around the city.

One of them is VTC, Vehicles for Hire with Driver, which is what chauffeur-driven cars that can transport one or more passengers to a destination are called.

The most well-known companies offering this type of service are Uber or Cabify.

PREFER TO DRIVE YOURSELF?

You can rent and park the car wherever you want in the designated areas of Madrid with applications like:

- [Free2move](#)
- [Zity](#)

Citylife Madrid has prepared a clear [guide](#) with everything you need to know about using public transportation in Madrid, including step-by-step explanation on how to apply for your personal transport card.

It also includes information about Uber, taxis, scooters, motorbikes, bikes, and trains, so you can explore all your mobility options from day one.



6 OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

Emergency: 112

National Police: 091

Municipal Police: 092

Civil Guard: 062

Fire Department: 080

Community of Madrid: 900 210 133

Community of Madrid: The official website of the city of Madrid offers extensive information on services, transportation, and administrative procedures.
www.madrid.org

Turismo Madrid. Official website for leisure, free time, and culture.
www.esmadrid.com

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*citylifemadrid.com
*visitmadrid.es
*guiadelocio.com
*timeout.es/madrid/es

PUBLIC LIBRARIES

There are many libraries in Madrid. All universities, museums, and cultural institutions—both public and private—have their own libraries, which are open for consultation and, in some cases, also offer lending services. We recommend the following:

- [La Biblioteca Del Museo Nacional Centro De Arte Reina Sofía](#)
- [La Biblioteca Del Museo Del Traje](#)
- [La Biblioteca Nacional](#)

Check the [list](#) of municipal libraries located in each neighborhood of Madrid.

MUSEUMS AND CULTURAL CENTERS

Most museums offer free entry upon showing a student card.

Museo Nacional del Prado
museodelprado.es

Museo Thyssen-Bornemisza
museothyssen.org

Museo Nacional Centro de Arte Reina Sofía
museoreinasofia.es

Museo Nacional de Artes Decorativas
cultura.gob.es
mnartesdecorativas

Museo del Traje
museodeltrajevirtual.com

Matadero Madrid
mataderomadrid.org

La Casa Encendida
lacasaencendida.es

Caixa Forum Madrid
caixaforum.org/es/madrid

Círculo de Bellas Artes
circulobellasartes.com

CentroCentro
centrocentro.org



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