

MOOCs in Spain

The different universities that offer MOOCs do not generally supply information as to the number of pupils enrolled in their courses. However, according to a 2014 study, the availability of MOOCs in Spanish universities exceeds those offered in countries such as the United Kingdom, France or Germany. Taking into consideration participation in the global supply of MOOCs, Spain is among the five top countries in terms of the number of students following this educational approach, with only the United States, the United Kingdom, Canada and Brazil ahead of it (Oliver et al. [2014](#)).

Key Centres for MOOCs

The web site [mooc.es](#) acts as a catalogue of many of the courses available, both run from Spain and the rest of the world.

The [Miriadax](#) platform offers hundreds of courses world-wide, taught in Spanish, which are run by, for example, the [University Polytechnic of Madrid](#) and it claims to have 1,369,249 connexions in Spain. As an example, a Skills and Competences through Coaching MOOC on Miriadax, run by the University of Cantabria, had 16,980 students enrolled, primarily from Spain and Latin America ,of which 46% finished.

Another platform like Miriadax in Spain is [Tutellus](#). Currently Tutellus operates in more than 160 countries, they have a Community of more than 500,000 students and develop the product from Madrid, Spain.

[INTEF](#) (The National Institute for Educational technology and Teacher Training) started its first MOOC, for teacher training, in 2014. It offers courses aimed at teaching teachers how to use technology in the classroom. Amongst its most recent offers are [gamification](#) in the classroom and collaborative learning.

An interesting variation is the [NOOC](#) (nano-massive online open course) which offers courses of between 1 and 20 hours, working on a particular skill or area of knowledge, e.g. using symbaloo or safety on the internet.

The [UNED](#) (national online university) offers 16 MOOC courses and is also involved in a European project based on **Open Educational Resources** (OER) that gives free access to a list of **MOOC** (Massive Open Online Courses) in **6 languages** (<http://project.ecolearning.eu/>) and offers sMOOC, an open course to learn how to set up one's own MOOC. The eco project includes cooperation with associations such as ANCES (the National Association of European Business and Innovation centres) and with private IT-firms like Ingenia.

Many of the big universities offer MOOCs such as the [Complutense](#) of Madrid and the [Universitat politècnica](#) de Catalunya.