





# WHERE DO WE COME FROM?

September 2020, impelled by the pandemic, the University of Deusto launched the **INTERNATIONAL VIRTUAL CAMPUS** as an alternative to traditional mobility. The experience has been a success and up to now we have had more than **300 virtual and 500 hybrid** (face-to-face students with at least one virtual course) students, with a **90% of satisfaction rate**.

# WHY PARTICIPATE IN THIS EXPERIENCE?

Because we offer a program that enriches and diversifies the experience of students and have a positive impact on students. It accommodates the different needs and situations of a diverse student population, creating new learning opportunities for people who could not participate in a mobility program before. It allows for an internationalization at home experience through interaction with international students and staff. students from different backgrounds, including those with fewer opportunities. This virtual international experience can act as a first step towards other types of mobility experiences and may prepare the students for the physical mobility. It translates into better upskilling or reskilling opportunities and development of new types of competences. It is a unique opportunity for developing transversal and discipline specific skills.



#### WHERE ARE WE HEADING?

We truly believe that this opportunity must be a **sustainable and inclusive** program for people who are unable or unwilling to participate in a regular mobility program, in particular students from **diverse backgrounds**, including those with fewer opportunities.

### WHAT IS THE FORMAT?

A **multidisciplinary offer on courses on hot topics in both English and Spanish** and specifically designed for international students. All virtual courses can be followed from the home country and **without any restrictions with regards to the student's home field of study**. All **life sessions** (synchronous) will be held in a schedule inclusive with all time zones. Attendance to these sessions is **mandatory** in order to pass the courses. Distance learning will be complemented with the <u>Virtual Buddy Program</u>.

### WHICH COURSES CAN I TAKE? HOW MANY?

Here is a complete LIST OF COURSES. You can take 1 to 5 courses.

Find here all course syllabi (some updating pending).

# ARE SYNCHRONOUS SESSIONS MANDATORY?

Yes, attendance to the synchronous sessions are mandatory in order to pass the course. Here is the **provisional timetable** and some **important semester dates**.

#### HOW TO NOMINATE? HOW MANY STUDENTS CAN AN INSTITUTION NOMINATE?

Nominations can be registered **until December 15, 2023**.



NOMINATION FORM

Number of places in the virtual program for each institution is limited (up to 4) and these places do not count towards the total number of places indicated on the agreement.

For **further information** please contact <u>virtual.exchange@deusto.es</u>. On **November 15, 2023** we will be holding an information session on the programme to present it to you live. We will have two sessions <u>IN ENGLISH 9:45 (CET) / IN</u> <u>SPANISH 14:45 (CET)</u>. To register for either or both sessions please fill out this <u>form</u>.