

Incoming Students' Guide

Quick Guide

Faculty of Arts UB
International Relations Office



UNIVERSITAT DE
BARCELONA

Welcome!

The International Relations Office would like to welcome you at the Faculty of Arts of the University of Barcelona (UB). We are happy that you have chosen our institution to spend your academic exchange abroad!

In our Faculty you'll have the opportunity to relate with local students and to understand better the Catalan traditions and culture, but also to meet students from all over the world. Barcelona has always been an open, dynamic and cosmopolitan city. You'll be surprised by its rich, diverse and wide range of cultural events and activities, its architecture and its welcoming inhabitants.

Remember that in Catalonia we have our own language, which is Catalan. In the UB both Catalan and Spanish are official languages, and everyone can communicate, write their tests or present their

homework in both languages. The University offers Catalan and Spanish courses that may help you to follow the classes better from the beginning.

At the ORI, our goal is that you successfully conclude your exchange at our Faculty and have an enriching international experience in our Faculty and city.

Remember that we have specific mandatory procedures that all exchange students must ensure to complete -application, registration to courses, check in, etc.- All the information regarding the different procedures is sent to you so, please, read carefully all the information we provide you to ensure succeeding on your exchange.

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About UB

The University of Barcelona is the main public university in Catalonia, catering to the needs of a great number of students and delivering the broadest and most comprehensive offer of higher education courses.

University of Barcelona is also the oldest university in Catalonia and one of the oldest in Spain. The UB is linked to the history of Barcelona and Catalonia and combines its historical dimension with its status as a leading, innovative educational institution.

The University of Barcelona is an urban university, open and cosmopolitan like Barcelona. The UB is integrated into the city of Barcelona, with faculties located in the centre of the city or very close to it. The UB has become the centre of a wide range of cultural activities and it allows members of the university community to enjoy both the city's services and those of the UB.



History of UB

UB roots lie in 1402, when King Martí the Humane established departments that would become the General Study of Medicine and the Arts. The foundation of the University of Barcelona is considered to be in 1450 when King Alphonse V unified all university education into the Estudi General of Barcelona (General Study of Barcelona). These first studies included Theology, Cannons and Civil Law, Medicine, Philosophy and Arts. UB kept growing but thn, in 1717, the university was moved to Cervera, due to the support of a big part of Catalonia, including the city of Barcelona, to the Archiduke Charles of Austria –who lose the war– during the Spanish succession war. The university came back to Barcelona 150 years later, in 1842.



UB in the city

1 CENTRAL CAMPUS
Faculty of Philology and Communication (Josep Carner Building)
Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science (Historic Building)
Faculty of Philosophy (Raval Building)
Faculty of Geography and History (Raval Building)

2 SANTS' CAMPUS
Faculty of Information and Audiovisual Media

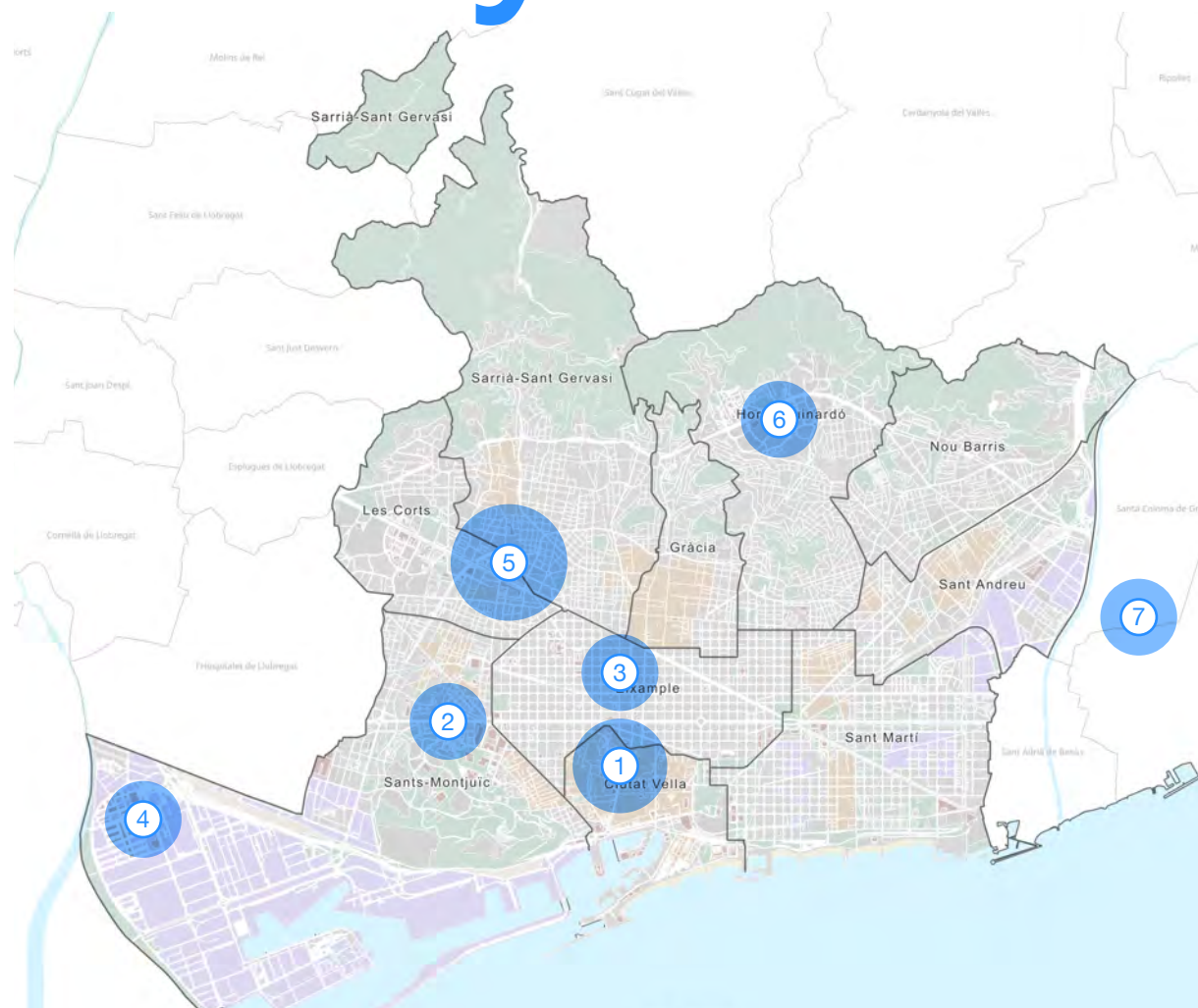
3 MEDICAL CAMPUS (CLÍNIC)
Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences (Casanova)

4 MEDICAL CAMPUS (BELLVITGE)
Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences (Bellvitge)

5 DIAGONAL CAMPUS
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Economics and Business
Faculty of Fine Arts
Faculty of Biology
Faculty of Pharmacy and Food Sciences
Faculty of Physics
Faculty of Earth Sciences
Faculty of Chemistry

6 MUNDET CAMPUS
Faculty of Education
Faculty of Psychology

7 TORRIBERA CAMPUS



UB Services

Either you may have a special need, or you are looking for some of the services th UB community offers. Here you have a direct access to some of them. In case of doubt regarding the support services, do not hesitate to contact us!

ORI Arts UB	Psychological UB support	SAE (Students Support Service)
Accommodation resources	School of Languages UB	UB Cultural Activities
Catalan Language	Spanish Language	Sports UB

Bachelor's degrees

Fine Arts

The bachelor's degree in Fine Arts provides training in artistic practice and thought, taking into account both the specificity of the different disciplines and the transdisciplinary reality of contemporary art. The degree offers quality face-to-face teaching and has an excellent reputation in research. The bachelor's degree in Fine Arts aims to train art professionals in the fields of the creation, production, dissemination and research of both art and the creative process.

Students have access to workshops and technological labs that are fully equipped to meet their creative and experimental needs. It provides the skills for artistic creation across **audio-visual art, drawing and painting, sculpture, photography and**

engraving and in any other emerging multidisciplinary or interdisciplinary creative process. It also prepares students to pursue careers in **museum and cultural management of art**; advice and **consultancy** on visual art and culture; **art teaching** in relation to official education, educational and **research** departments of museums and any other art-related training.

Bachelor's degrees

Conservation-Restoration of Cultural Heritage

The bachelor's degree in Conservation and Restoration of Cultural Heritage provides the theoretical, practical, technical and scientific training required to undertake in a careful, thoughtful way the examination, assessment, documentation, preventive conservation, curative conservation and restoration of cultural heritage.

The main objective of the bachelor's degree in Conservation and Restoration of Cultural Heritage is to produce competent, qualified professionals equipped with the necessary skills to perform the actions required to preserve works of cultural heritage so they can be passed on to future

generations. The course focuses on **traditional and modern techniques** of creating cultural heritage, techniques for the **scientific analysis of materials** from which heritage elements are composed, and **techniques of intervention** to preserve documentary and aesthetic information using European standards for heritage conservation.

The degree provides a **balanced blend of theoretical, practical, technical and scientific content**, enabling students to acquire the necessary skills and abilities to carry out the activities involved in a profession of public interest.

Bachelor's degrees

Design

The bachelor's degree in Design trains students to create and **transform aspects of the man-made environment, from all kinds of everyday objects to media and cultural manifestations**. Students develop the ability to identify the problems posed by the use of products and the know-how to devise functional solutions to transform them.

The bachelor's degree in Design aims to produce graduates with a level of training and professional competence that enables them to compete effectively in the international market. Students develop the skills needed to carry out **all the steps involved in creating an object, from conception to production and distribution**. This programme allows students to

develop skills that equip them to pursue a range of career opportunities in various sectors, including **product and editorial design, visual communication for companies and institutions, and audiovisual communication for ICT and the media**. It also prepares them to practice professions linked to the **generation, promotion, and dissemination of design culture** in fields such as historiography, criticism, analysis and research, exhibition curating, publishing, and contributions to the specialized press. At the same time, its link to the arts and humanities reinforces the programme's humanistic dimension in terms of creativity, the development of critical thinking skills, and theoretical training.

Workshops

- Model and prototype workshop
- Screen printing workshop
- Stone workshop
- Wood workshop
- Iron workshop



Laboratories

- Photography laboratory
- Image and video laboratory
- Design Laboratory
- Lab-Media



Reference Tutors

Head of Conservation- Restoration Studies

Anna Nualart

Head of Fine Arts Studies

Marta Negre

Head of Design Studies

Oriol Moret

International Tutors

Field of Design

Oriol Moret / Anna Majó

Field of Image

Tjasa Kancler

Field of Painting

Piotr Tadeusz

Field of Sculpture

Matilde Grau

Field of Conservation- Restoration

Africa Pitarch Marti

Field of Engraving

Eugènia Agustí

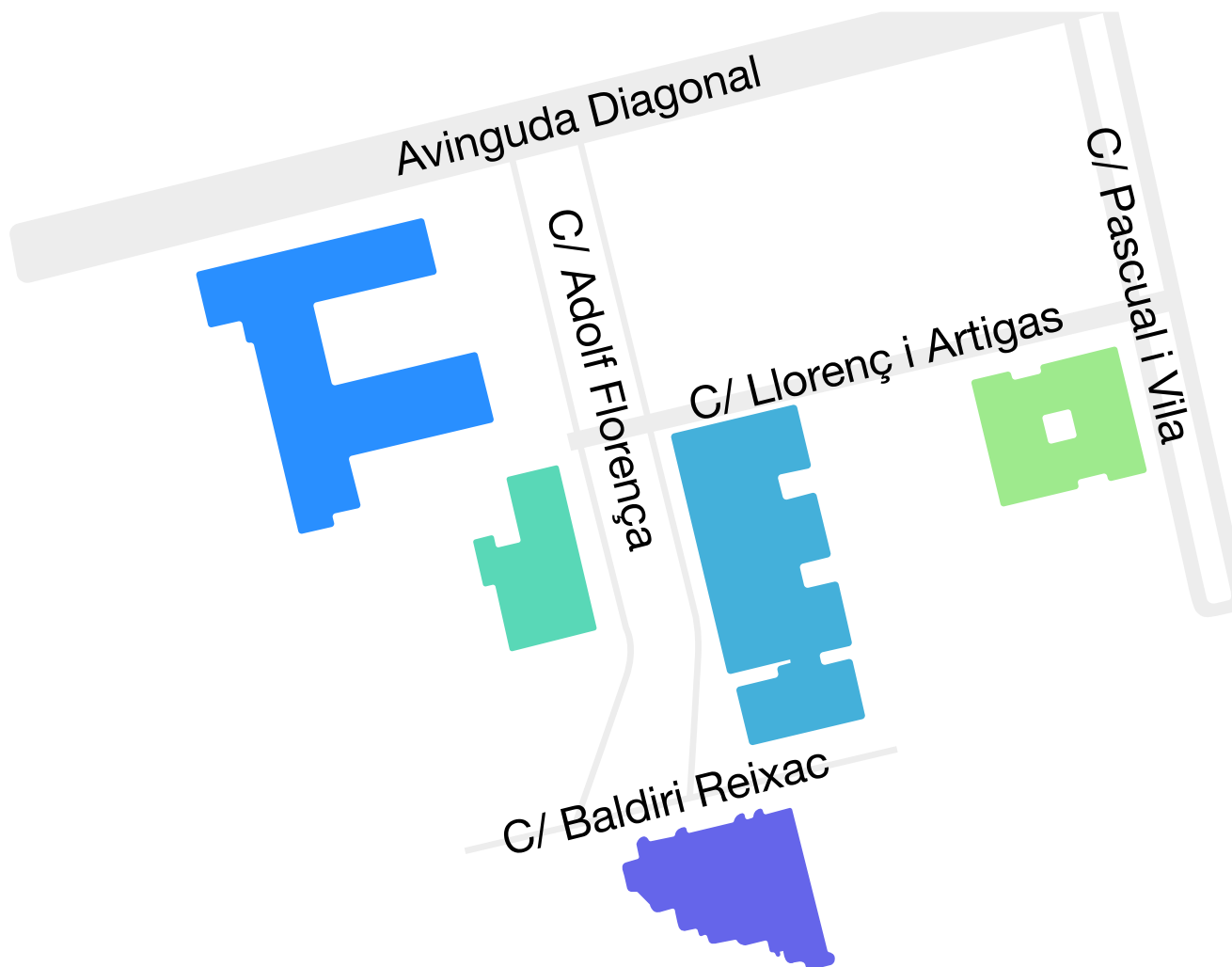
Field of Drawing

Piotr Tadeusz

Fine Arts Faculty



Metro
Zona
Universitària

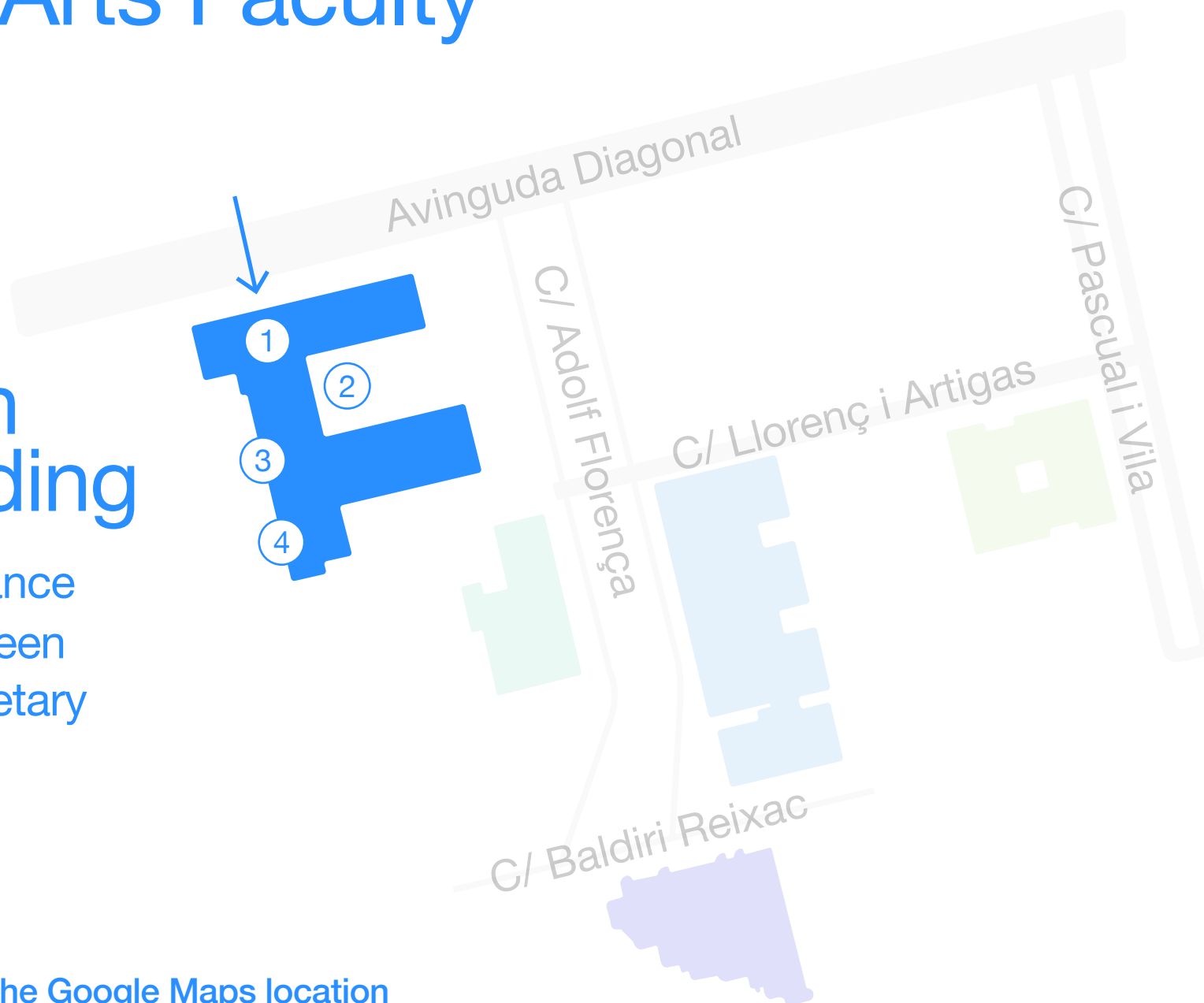


Metro
Palau Reial

Fine Arts Faculty

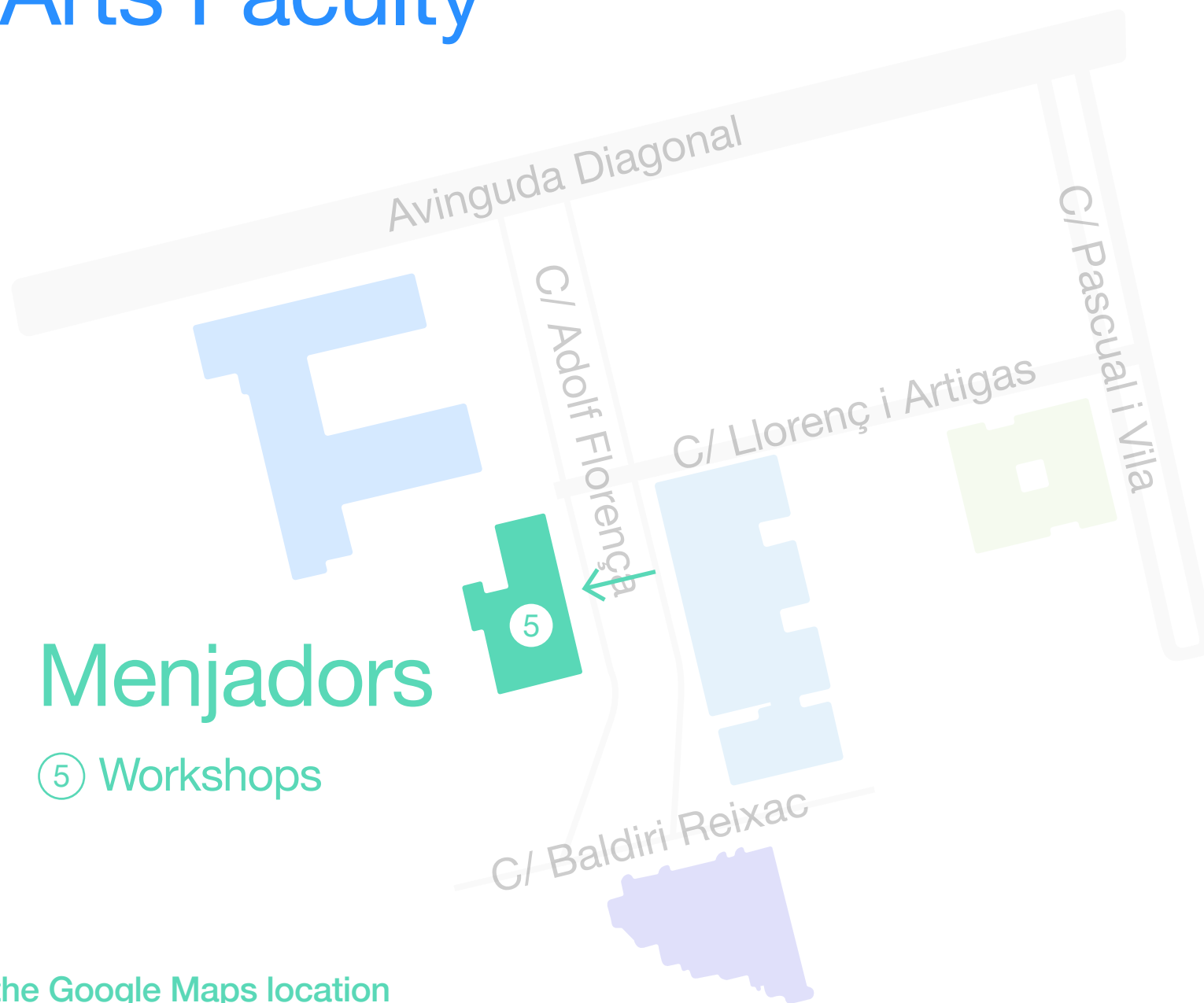
Main Building

- ① Entrance
- ② Canteen
- ③ Secretary
- ④ ORI



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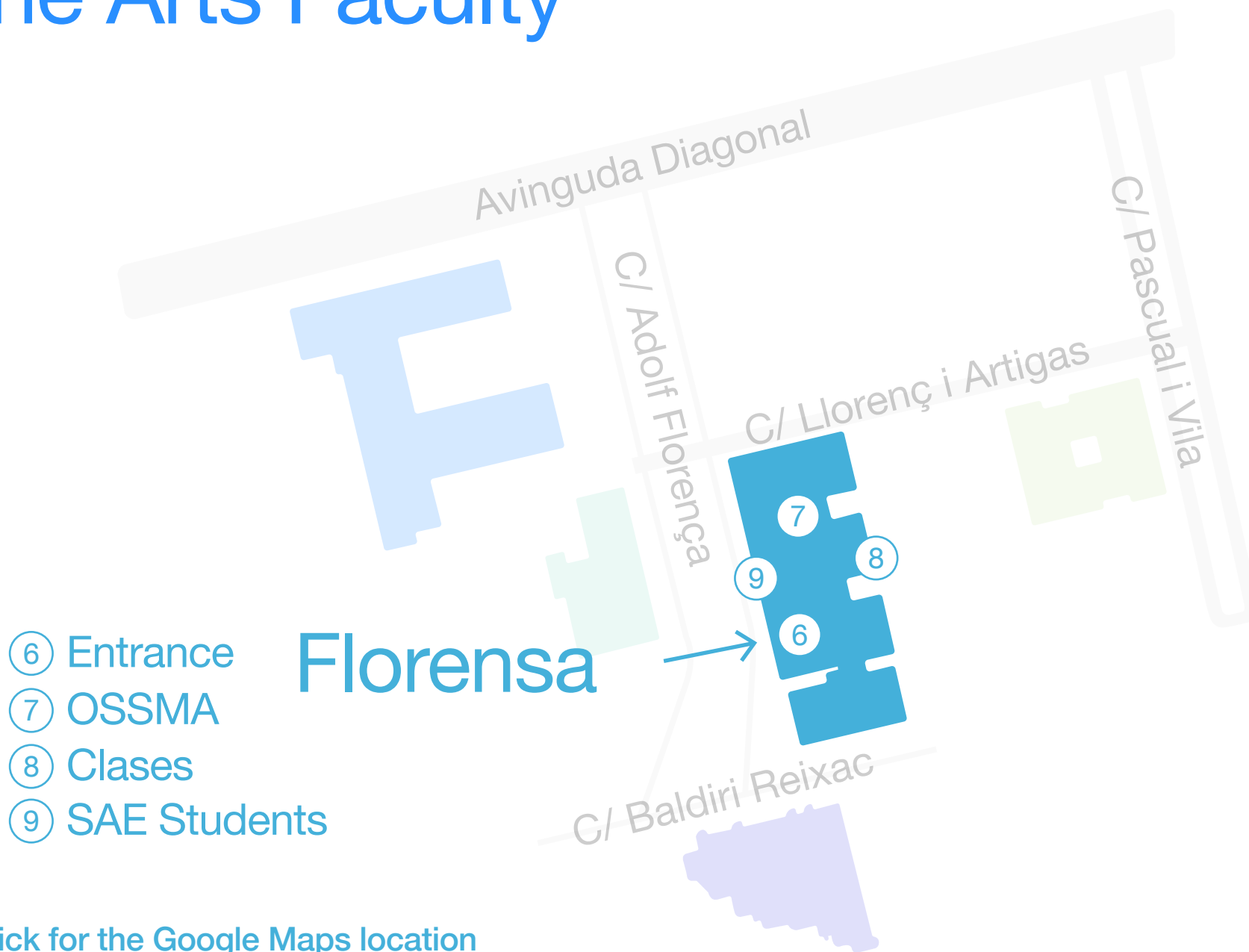


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⑤ Workshops

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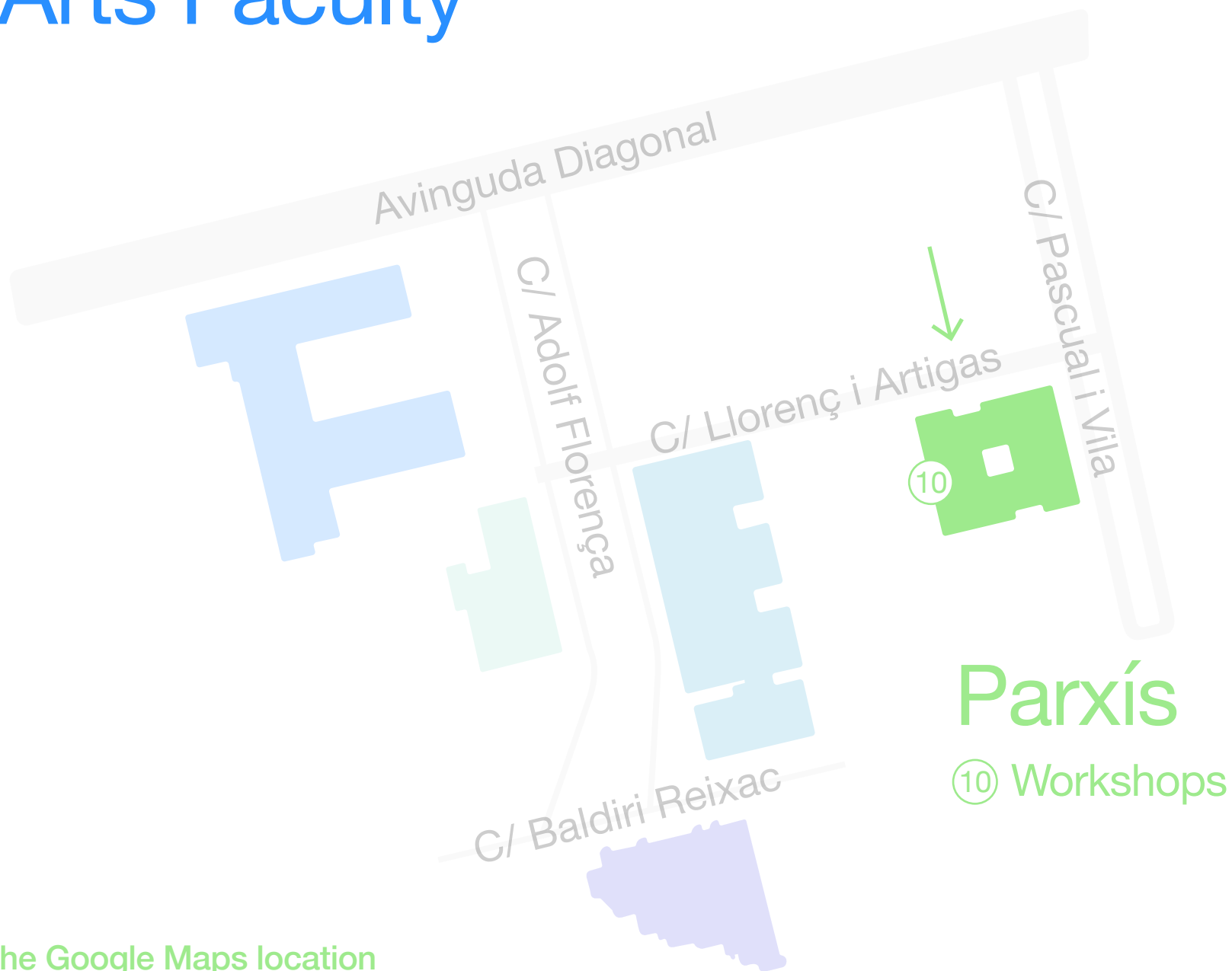
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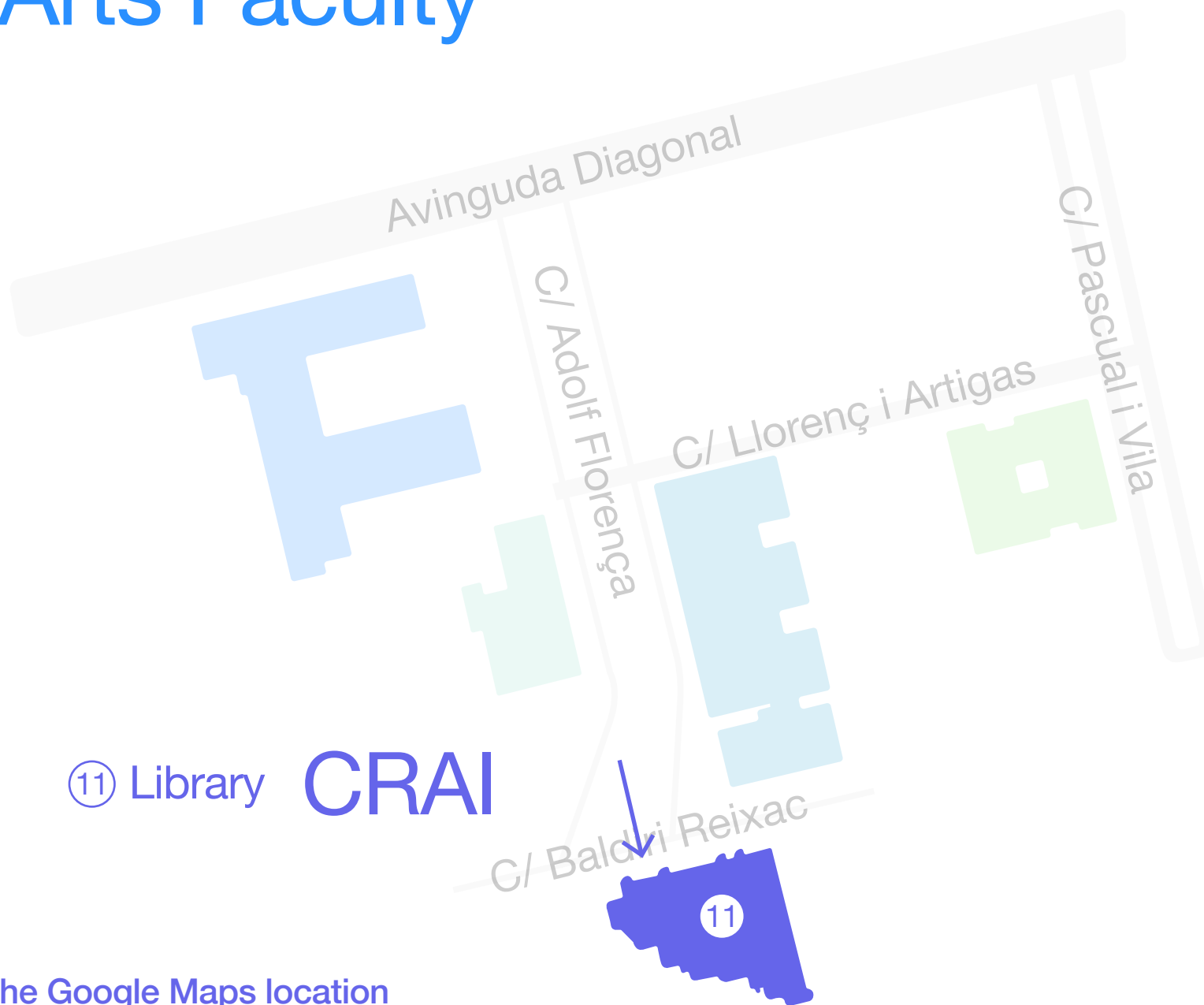
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Learning Catalan

The University of Barcelona offers courses of Spanish and Catalan for those students willing to improve their language knowledge and to easily follow the classes offered in our centre.

The UB offers a wide range of Catalan courses to international students. Courses are organized during the whole duration of an academic course, at different dates and schedules in order to allow all students to enrich their knowledge of the Catalan language.

The unit in charge of all the aspects related to Catalan courses is Language Services (Serveis Lingüístics). Their offer other related services and activities as well. Students can find more about these activities by clicking “complementary activities”.

Language Services Office Address

Melcior de Palau, 140
08014 Barcelona (Spain)

Telephone: +34 934 035 478

E-mail: sl.formacio@ub.edu

[Website here](#)

Learning Spanish

Spanish courses are offered by the unit of “Estudios Hispánicos”. You can check all the information about Estudios Hispánicos in the following web-page (<http://www.eh.ub.edu/home/>).

They organize and teach specific courses in Spanish language for students who belong to the Erasmus exchange programmes. The courses are organized 3 times a year. They consist of 40 hours of classes and worth 5 ECTS and are organized in two levels: elementary A2 and intermediate B2, with a certificate of attendance and final evaluation included.

Erasmus students will pay the subsidized price, while students of all other exchange programmes must pay the standard price.

Estudios Hispánicos Office Address

Estudios Hispánicos
Universidad de Barcelona
Gran Via de les Corts
Catalanes, 585
08007 Barcelona (Spain)

E-mail: eh.informacion@ub.edu

[Website here](#)

Around BCN

Travelling to Barcelona

You will probably arrive at the Barcelona Airport (Josep Tarradellas), located in el Prat del Llobregat. It is the closest airport to Barcelona as well as the most convenient, as it offers a wide range of international flights. The airport is located 30 minutes by car or taxi from the city center and there are multiple options to travel from the airport to the city:

Taxi: the price varies from 40 to 60 euros, depending on the distance.

Aerobus (Shuttle): this service enables you to travel fast to the centre of Barcelona. There are buses every 5-20 minutes, everyday of the year.

More information: <https://aerobusbarcelona.es/>

Train: it is possible to get to the city centre by train, the train is located in T2 (Terminal 2) but there is a free shuttle between T1 and T2. More information: https://www.aeropuertobarcelona-elprat.com/ingl/accesos_aeropuerto_tren4010.htm

Metro: the L9 (orange line) connects the airport with Barcelona city in 25/30 min. The train leaves every 7 min. Fares can be found here: <https://www.tmb.cat/en/barcelona-fares-metro-bus/single-and-integrated/aeroport-ticket>

TMB Service

The TMB, meaning Transports Metropolitans de Barcelona, is the public company responsible for managing the major means of public transportation for travelling within or outside of the city of Barcelona. Includes subway, tram, buses and trains.

Ticket options: there are different ticket options bought in the machines that you will find in all the metro and tram stations.

Zones: the transport of Barcelona has six zones and the price of the ticket depends on the area you want to reach. To circulate within the city, you only need the ticket for the first zone, but if you want to leave the city, make sure to check the zone.

Transfers: tickets allow transfers. For the one-zone cards, passengers can transfer lines or mode of transportation for 75 minutes after the first validation.

More info: the airport terminal metro stations on the L9 Sud line have special fare and a special ticket must be purchased.

All the information about tickets and fares:
<https://www.tmb.cat/en/barcelona-fares-metro-bus>

The T-Casual ticket is an individual travel card valid for 10 train, metro, tram and bus journeys, including transfers. This ticket is very convenient in case you plan to use the subway more than 3 times. However, bear in mind it cannot be shared among different travelers, when travelling at the same time.

Holidays

Shops and offices will be closed on holidays and usually on Sundays as well:

1st of January: New Year

6th of January: Reyes (the magic kings)

7th of April: Good Friday

10th of April: Easter Monday

1st of May: International Workers' Day

29th of May: Pentecost

24th of June: San Joan's Day

15th of August: Assumption of Mary

11th of September: National Day of Catalonia

24th of September: La Mercè, patron saint of BCN

12th of October: National Day of Spain

1st of November: All Saints' Day

6th of December: Spanish Constitution Day

8th of December: Immaculate Conception

25th of December: Christmas Day

26th of December: Sant Esteve

What to visit

LARGE CONCERT HALLS

Liceu Opera House
Palau Sant Jordi Stadium

OTHER MUSIC VENUES

Sala Apolo
Sala Razzmatazz
Poble Espanyol
Auditori
Sala Jamboree
Hi Jauh Usb
Barts Club
Jazz Sí
Robadors 23

MARKETS

La Boqueria market
Santa Caterina market
Sant Antoni market

THEATRES

Teatre Borràs
La Villarroel
Tívoli
Teatre Nacional de Catalunya
Teatre Lliure
Sala Beckett

MUSIC FESTIVALS

Primavera Sound Festival
Sonar Festival
BAM Festival
Cruïlla Festival
GREC Festival

SHOPPING

Street of Gothic Quarter
Streets of Passeig de Gràcia
Streets of Diagonal Avenue
Neighbourhood of Gràcia and Born

THEMATIC MUSEUMS

CosmoCaixa (Science)
Textile Museum
Egyptian Museum
Chocolate Museum
Museum of FC Barcelona

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Public timetable

Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 11h to 14:30h

Tuesdays from 11h to 14:30h and from 15h to 17h

Prior Appointment

<https://www.ub.edu/acad/cipr/indexGeneral.php?filtre=BBAA05>

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