

Protocol for the application of an adapted university face-to-face model

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1. EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The state of alert declared in Spain as a result of the health crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic has led to the inevitable suspension- of face-to-face teaching in Spanish universities, as well as the agreement by the official bodies responsible for university matters, both national and regional, on the impossibility of resuming face-to-face classes of the 2019/20 academic year. In this sense, our university has adapted the face-to-face teaching of Bachelor's and Master's degrees to the virtual mode, by means of purely online methodologies, both in the teaching of subjects of the curriculum and in the mechanisms of assessment of the same. The academic framework for this methodological adaptation was then constituted by the COVID-19 Protocol for the adaptation of face-to-face teachings to online modality for the 2019/20 academic year.

Having already completed the 2019/20 academic year at our university, we must now focus on the 2020/21 academic year and the foreseeable social reality that will accompany us during the first months of that year, possibly as a result of the COVID-19 global health crisis.

The Governing Council and the academic bodies of our University have been working on the establishment of technical and regulatory criteria that will make it possible to specify the academic planning for the 2020/21 academic year, which will be transversally applicable to all the Official Bachelor's and Master's degrees at UCAM, thus transposing the indications that have been transferred in terms of adaptation of face-to-face teaching by the health authorities, as well as by different official bodies, such as the Ministry of Universities, the Regional Ministry of Employment, Research and Universities of Murcia, CRUE Spanish Universities or the various sector Conferences of Deans. These technical and normative criteria have been reflected in the guidelines included in this *Protocol for the application of an adapted university face-to-face model*, which is the regulatory framework of **Bimodal Teaching** in our university.

This Protocol will be applied to the teaching of Official Bachelor's and Master's Degree. The indications and guidelines that affect the Doctorate programmes will be the object of a technical document of their own, elaborated by the UCAM International Doctoral School, since the academic structure of these teachings does not correspond to the traditional models of curriculum in Bachelor's and Master's degrees, and therefore it requires *ad hoc* methodological solutions.

The uncertainty derived from the possible progression of the COVID-19 health crisis and the correlative security measures established by the health authorities and official bodies in the field of universities entail the need for our university to design its official academic planning for Bachelor's and Master's degrees for the 2020/21 academic year based on three major possible academic contexts:



- Context 1 Full recovery of face-to-face classes in the teaching of university courses, subject to authorisation from the health authorities and official bodies responsible for universities.
- Context 2 Teaching of university courses under the paradigm of the so-called *Bimodal Teaching*, a model that addresses the training and evaluation of students through a combination of virtual and face-to-face methodologies, the latter being limited to teaching small groups, mainly in eminently practical training activities.
- **Context 3 Non face-to-face university teaching**, which would imply the extension to the 2020/21 academic year of the academic scenario formed in the second semester of the 2019/20 academic year.

In any of the three contexts, in relation to the development of face-to-face teaching activities, it will be obligatory for students to comply with all the health and hygiene measures laid down in this Protocol or in other documents issued and published by our university with regard to COVID-19.

The intention of this Protocol is to enable a cross-cutting treatment of the 2020/21 Academic Planning regarding the following material areas for the three major contexts described above:

- Adaptation of the face-to-face teaching methodologies to the new strictly virtual environment.
- Establishment of some general assessment criteria, adaptable to the specificities of each degree whenever it is appropriate.
- Follow-up and assessment of External Internships.
- Follow-up and assessment of Undergraduate Dissertations and Master's Theses.
- Creation of a catalogue/offer of extracurricular seminars in online mode.
- Diffusion and publicity of the new methodologies and virtual assessment criteria, applicable to the adapted face-to-face teachings, among the university community, especially among the student body.
- Development of future follow-up and accreditation processes of the official Bachelor's and Master's degrees.

It should also be noted that the guidelines contained in this Protocol have been designed under the following fundamental premises:



- 1) Establishment of homogeneous criteria, endorsed by the above-mentioned official bodies, which guarantee the correct development of the teaching, in any of the three contexts mentioned above.
- 2) Our students will not be affected and will be able to continue their university studies in accordance with the academic planning foreseen for the 2020/21 academic year.
- 3) Institutional support to the teaching staff and all students, through the design and implementation of specific contingency plans to address the following:
 - The analysis of the technological sufficiency of the students, in terms of their own available resources and their functionality, as well as the publication of the technical requirements necessary for the students to be able to follow the courses in which they are registered.
 - The specific attention to the group of students with special educational needs, providing specific academic infrastructure for these students, so that they are not under inferior conditions and can continue with their training.
 - Technical and training support to the teaching staff, both in relation to the handling of the university's e-learning software/platform, and in the design and implementation of methodologies for remote training.

Finally, it is convenient to point out that:

- Various agents of the university community participated in the drafting of this protocol, giving space to the proposals formulated by the teaching staff, the administration and services personnel and the student body, in this case through the UCAM Student Council.
- The text of this protocol may be subject to updates with regard to those aspects that require it, as a consequence of the indications given by the competent official bodies regarding university or of the experience and results obtained after the implementation of the solutions proposed hereby.

Murcia, July 2020

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2. CONTEXT 1 - FULL RECOVERY OF FACE-TO-FACE CLASSES IN THE TEACHING OF UNIVERSITY COURSES

The state of alert declared in Spain last March 2020 as a result of the health crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic led to the inevitable suspension of face-to-face teaching in Spanish universities, as well as the agreement by the official bodies responsible for university matters, both national and regional, on the impossibility of resuming face-to-face classes for the rest of the 2019/20 academic year.

Since the promulgation of the state of alert and the associated home confinement, our university successfully adapted the teaching that up to that moment was taught in face-to-face modality to the virtual modality, by means of purely online methodologies, both in the teaching of subjects of the curriculum and in the mechanisms of assessment of the same.

This virtual adaptation was carried out transversally for all the Bachelor's and Master's degrees, following the guidelines adopted by the Governing Council and the academic bodies of our University, as set out in the COVID-19 Protocol for the adaptation of face-to-face teachings to online modality for the 2019/20 academic year, a framework document that specified in our university the previous indications transferred in this area by different official bodies, such as the Ministry of Universities, the Regional Ministry of Employment, Research and Universities of Murcia, CRUE Spanish Universities or the various sector Conferences of Deans.

The purpose of this section, **Context 1 - Full recovery of face-to-face classes** in the teaching of university courses, would represent the complete lifting of the suspension of face-to-face teaching, and would involve the recovery of the recovery of teaching and evaluation of face-to-face courses in accordance with the provisions of each verification report, thus restoring the pedagogical model originally used in our face-to-face courses, which were necessarily adapted to virtual mode at the end of the 2019/20 academic year.

The teaching methodologies, training activities and evaluation systems specific to the full face to face modality have been included in the teaching guide for each subject, published on the web page of all UCAM Bachelor and Master degrees, in the Curriculum section, thus complying with the commitments of transparency and publicity of academic information acquired in each approved verification report and integrated in our Internal Quality Assurance System (SGIC).

Notwithstanding the above, and in order to address the exceptional and uncertain social conditions that will surely be experienced in the 2020/21 academic year, as a result of the COVID-19 health crisis, certain methodological components of the



Bimodal teaching model, set out in the following section of this Protocol, will be integrated into the traditional face-to-face teaching model:

a) Beginning of the 2020/21 academic year in stages

Within the contingency plans agreed by our University in relation to the COVID-19 health crisis and the start of teaching activity in the 2020/21 academic year, the staggered start of teaching in the next academic year has been adopted as a fundamental measure. Specifically, the face-to-face classes from the second year onwards will begin their journey 2020/21 according to the following summary table:

Degree/ Center/Faculty	START
All courses: Medicine /Dentistry/ Pharmacy Students in 2nd year and later: Faculty of Health Sciences Faculty of Nursing / Campus of Cartagena	21ST SEPTEMBER
Students in 2nd year and later: Polytechnic School Sports Faculty/ Faculty of Social and Communication Sciences/ Faculty of Law and Business	SEPTEMBER 28TH

b) Class attendance - rotating shift system

In order to safeguard minimum safety spaces between students, a rotational system of class attendance will be established in those cases where the size of the class group makes it necessary. Likewise, class schedules will be designed in a staggered manner, to avoid crowding in teaching spaces.

Notwithstanding the above, the evolution of the COVID-19 health crisis and the obligatory averages, if any, set by the competent authorities, may affect the schedule of classes initially planned for the 2020/21 academic year, as well as the offer of certain subjects/class groups.

c) Synchronised virtual transmission of class sessions

In order to facilitate the monitoring by the student of the academic planning of the subjects planned for the 2020/21 academic year, all the theoretical classroom sessions will be retransmitted in a synchronized way, as well as those practical class sessions whose nature allows it and have been duly anticipated to the VIcerrectorado de Enseñanzas Virtuales.

d) Class attendance calculation

Following the line marked in the previous point, and also in the spirit that the student will not see his possibilities diminished in relation to the elimination regime of the partial



exams as it is stated in the UCAM Evaluation Regulations, during the first semester of the 2020/21 course, the theoretical class sessions will be counted as attended by all the students.

From the second semester of the 2020/21 academic year, in order to include elements of continuous evaluation in the Rotating Classroom Teaching Model, the calculation of class attendance will take into account both the class sessions attended by the student in person and those followed virtually. The number of class sessions attended by the student in person and virtually, will be applied to the total number of theoretical class sessions planned for the subject, in order to obtain the percentage of class attendance achieved by the student. Once this mixed computation of classroom and virtual attendance has been defined, the student must reach the minimum percentage of class attendance established in the UCAM Evaluation Regulations, in order to maintain the eliminatory character of the partial exams passed in the second semester.

e) Mandatory use of Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) to access/maintain teaching spaces and facilities.

The use of masks, preferably hygienic and surgical, covering the nose and mouth, will be compulsory for all members of the university community (students, PAS and PDI). In general, students must wear their own mask in order to attend any face-to-face teaching activity.

f) Face-to-face evaluation instruments.

f.1) Access to and stay in the classroom/exam space:

- The student will access the classroom/examination space in an orderly manner and respecting social distance. Once inside the classroom, the student will be placed in one of the seats arranged and marked for the student as soon as possible
- The teacher responsible for the assessment test will check, during the assessment test, the identity of the student and that the students attending the test have active registration in that subject, so that they are entitled to be assessed on it. For this purpose:
 - The professor will use the class lists available in the UCAM academic applications.
 - The student will visibly place on the table, or other surface adjacent to himself, his identification document (ID card, driver's license, passport or university card UCAM).
- The student will remain in his/her examination place at all times, and will not be able to move around the classroom/examination space, unless expressly authorized by the professor.



 Once the evaluation test is over, the student will leave the classroom/examination space, without being able to remain in the adjacent hallways without a justified reason.

f.2) Face-to-face evaluation instruments. Call for incidents.

The <u>UCAM Evaluation Regulations</u> include the regime to be applied in case of incidents during the performance of an exam or test of face-to-face evaluation, as well as the conditions and requirements for granting the student a call for incidents, if any.

Notwithstanding the above, in relation to the evaluation of the theoretical part of the subjects, while the situation of health crisis by COVID-19 lasts, a call for incidents will be articulated in the following cases, upon express request of the student addressed to the Direction of the degree, at least 5 days before the exam date, except in case of emergency:

- Students who are residing in a foreign country at the time of the face-to-face exam (partial or final). These circumstances must be accredited by means of the appropriate documentation
- Students who, at the time of the exam (partial or final), are in home quarantine, with pathologies of special affectation by COVID-19 or persons or belonging to one of the main vulnerable groups by COVID-19, according to the information published by the Ministry of Health. These circumstances must be accredited by the corresponding medical documentation.

This call for incident will be developed on-line and will take the form of an oral examination. In relation to the evaluation of the practical part, the student must be provided, if necessary, with the same material that would be available at the University for taking the exam and that is indicated by the professor of the subject, so that the student's acquisition of skills can be properly evaluated.

However, when it is necessary to evaluate more than 10 students through this call for incidents, the Direction of the Degree may request to the Vice-rectorate of Quality and Academic Organization the celebration of the exam online in a different format to the oral one.

In addition to the above, in relation to the practical class sessions, in the theoretical subjects, to which the student could not attend in person due to incurring in any of the aforementioned cases, if the student should have attended an evaluation test of a practical nature during these sessions, he may recover it by attending only the practical sufficiency test, scheduled at the end of the course.



3. CONTEXT 2 - TEACHING OF UNIVERSITY COURSES UNDER THE PARADIGM OF THE SO-CALLED *BIMODAL TEACHING*

The educational model that Bimodal Teaching represents involves the combination of teaching and evaluation elements, both virtual and face-to-face, configuring a prototype of teaching close to blended models, with the particularity that training or evaluation activities would necessarily be developed in class groups adjusted to the requirements of social distancing established by the authorities.

Thus, with the fundamental purpose of ensuring that students can continue to acquire the competences and to achieve the learning outcomes, in accordance with the curriculum set out in the verification report, *Bimodal Teaching* is organised around two basic pillars:

- The adaptation of the class size in the face-to-face sessions.
- The adaptation of teaching and assessment methodologies to this resizing of class groups.

Taking into account the indications given by the Ministry of Universities in the document called <u>RECOMENDACIONES DEL MINISTERIO DE UNIVERSIDADES A LA COMUNIDAD UNIVERSITARIA PARA ADAPTAR EL CURSO UNIVERSITARIO 2020-2021 A UNA PRESENCIALIDAD ADAPTADA (Recommendations of the Ministry of Universities to the University Community to adapt the university courses 2020-2021 to an adapted face-to-face modality) (10/06/2020), as well as those established in the <u>UCAM COVID-19 Prevention Plan</u>, the Bimodal educational model structures the teaching and training of students according to the core elements that will be set out in the following sections of this document.</u>

- 3.1) ADAPTATION OF TEACHING METHODOLOGIES TO THE BIMODAL MODEL. ACADEMIC PLANNING OF THEORETICAL SUBJECTS (Basic, Compulsory, Optional and Undergraduate Dissertations/ Master's Theses).
- A) NON-FACE-TO-FACE teaching and training activities General criteria



In the Bimodal model, attendance in the teaching activity will be configured as follows:

- The purely theoretical part of the syllabus of these subjects will have to be taught through fundamentally virtual teaching methodologies.

From the second semester of the 2020/21 academic year, in order to accommodate elements of continuous assessment in the Bimodal pedagogical model, the calculation of class attendance will take into account the class sessions followed by the student virtually. The number of class sessions attended by the student virtually, will be applied to the total of theoretical class sessions planned for the subject, in order to obtain the percentage of class attendance achieved by the student. Once this calculation of virtual attendance has been defined, the student must reach the minimum percentage of class attendance stated in the UCAM Evaluation Regulations, in order to maintain the eliminatory character of the partial exams passed in the second semester

- In the case that the syllabus of these subjects includes contents of practical development that are methodologically possible to teach by means of training activities of a virtual nature, these contents will be taught by means of the online mode.

The teaching in online mode, related to the purely theoretical part of the syllabus of each curriculum, as well as the practical part that is methodologically possible to teach in a virtual way, will be carried out according to the following criteria:

- Determination of the classes to be taught online, by means of videoconferences, through the Virtual Campus:
 - Master classes given in conventional classrooms.
 - Classes in APIs whose software is available from apiweb.ucam.edu
- Publication of the class schedules planned for the semester. Generation of a document that includes the URL to the *videoconference room* of each subject in the Virtual Campus.
 - Each subject will have a specific link to carry out all the videoconferences.
 - It will be published:
 - On the website of the degree.



- On the secretariat of the virtual campus only to the groups involved.
- For the videoconferences, only the BLACKBOARD tool available on the Virtual Campus (https://youtu.be/KiDB1KeSV5Q) will be used.
- In general, the class sessions will be broadcasted in streaming through the Virtual Campus, so that they can be followed by students in a non-presential way. Only those class sessions which have been expressly notified to the Vice-rectorate of Virtual Teaching will be recorded

In order that the online teaching of these class sessions can be undertaken with institutional guarantees, the University, through the Vice-Chancellorship of Virtual Teachings (VEV), has designed and implemented a specific contingency plan so that teachers and students know the processes of online teaching and evaluation, in terms of methodology and applicable technical resources, incorporating measures such as the following:

- a) Plan for training and technical assistance in teaching methodologies and online technical resources, aimed at teaching and research staff (PDI).
 - To plan face-to-face training sessions, at the request of interested teachers.
 - To plan training sessions through videoconference, at the request of interested teachers.
 - Training and support material available online. To generate and disseminate it among the PDI members.
 - Video tutorial on how to make a videoconference.
 - Step-by-step manual.
 - Technical assistance to the PDI members.



- ➤ To assign specific VEV personnel by faculty/centre for the purpose of providing technical assistance to PDI members, with two levels of user service:
 - In the first instance, the person designated in each of the degrees, who will have been previously trained and who will have the necessary knowledge about the functioning of the tool, will be contacted.
 - If the incident/request could not be solved at this first level, it is possible to contact the staff of the Vice-Chancellorship of Virtual Teaching (vicerrectoradoeducacionvirtual@ucam.edu)
- > To enable an electronic incident report form available to the PDI members and the technical secretariat of each degree.
- b) Plan for training and technical assistance in teaching methodologies and online technical resources, aimed at students.
 - Publication by the VEV of the <u>technical requirements</u> necessary to study online.
 - Training and support material available online. To generate and disseminate it through the Virtual Campus.
 - Video tutorial on how to participate in a videoconference.
 - Video tutorial on how to display a recorded class.
 - Step-by-step manual in Spanish.
 - Step-by-step manual in English.
 - Technical assistance to the student.
 - Doubts about the functioning of the tool. Contact *university Contact Center*: +34 968 278 800
 - Technical issues:



- ➤ Telephone helpline. User support service: +34 968 278 858.
- ➤ Notification of incidents through the <u>MyUcam/Soporte</u> virtual space.
- ➤ Incident referral via email to: <u>atenuser@ucam.edu</u>

B) FACE-TO-FACE teaching and training activities - General criteria

Notwithstanding the online teaching of part of the contents of the syllabus in theoretical subjects, within the framework of the Bimodal teaching model, the teaching of face-to-face teaching is considered in general in the cases indicated below. The class schedules for these face-to-face teaching activities will be duly announced to the student in advance, notwithstanding their provisional nature due to the future development of the COVID-19 health crisis.

1) Practical contents of theoretical subjects that cannot be adapted to online modality

In the exceptional cases in which it is not methodologically possible to teach the practical contents of the theoretical subjects by means of virtual teaching resources, training in these contents will take place in a face-to-face basis. The practical contents referred to must be related to fundamentally experiential performances or those that require the use of teaching spaces or specific materials/tools that are essential for the development of the teaching-learning process.

In any case, the development of these face-to-face practical sessions must take place under the essential requirement of adjusting the size of the class group to the maximum number of students per classroom/teaching space, with which the rules of capacity and social distance set by the competent authorities in health and university matters are met. Whenever it is not possible to maintain the recommended interpersonal safety distance, students shall use masks, preferably hygienic and surgical, that cover the nose and mouth.

2) Face-to-face academic tutoring session

Small group tutoring sessions will be planned weekly to help the student's teaching-learning process. The academic purpose of these tutoring sessions may be diverse, from the resolution of doubts to the review of contents given virtually during the week or weeks before.

The attendance to these tutoring sessions by the student will not be compulsory, nor will it be part of the evaluation system of the subject in any way. Given the fact that these tutoring sessions will be held in small



groups, with limited places due to the capacity of the teaching space in which they take place and the obligatory security measures established by the health authorities, attendance must be requested by the student through a system of prior appointment, which will be managed from the Virtual Campus Tutorial section.

In any case, the development of these tutoring sessions must comply with the standards of capacity and social distancing set by the competent authorities in health and university. Whenever it is not possible to maintain the recommended interpersonal safety distance, students shall use masks, preferably hygienic and surgical, that cover the nose and mouth.

In order for the development of this methodology to be useful for all students registered in a given subject, regardless of whether or not they attend the planned tutoring sessions, these academic tutoring sessions in general, will be retransmitted in *streaming* through the Virtual Campus, so that they can be followed by students in a non-presential way, always complying with the formalities and obligations derived from the regulation regarding the protection of personal data.

C) Teaching and learning activities in degrees with a lower ratio of students - Specific criteria

Notwithstanding the provisions of sections A) and B) above, in those face-to-face courses of the Bachelor's and Master's degrees with a single class group for each subject of the curriculum, with a low ratio of student/group assignment and without teaching shared with another degree, all academic planning for the 2020/21 academic year will be taught through strictly face-to-face teaching methodologies, as provided in the corresponding verification report.

Notwithstanding the above, the rules of capacity and social distancing set by the competent authorities in health and university matters must be complied with. Whenever it is not possible to maintain the recommended interpersonal safety distance, students shall use masks, preferably hygienic and surgical, that cover the nose and mouth.

The class schedules for these face-to-face teaching activities will be duly announced to the student in advance, notwithstanding their provisional nature due to the future development of the COVID-19 health crisis.



3.2) **BIMODAL** TEACHING ASSESSMENT SYSTEMS (Basic, Compulsory and Optional Subjects)

The face-to-face/virtual duality characteristic of *Bimodal Teaching* is also extended to the tools that integrate the evaluation system of each subject. The transversal application of this educational model to all our official Bachelor's and Master's degrees requires generalised solutions, but which leave at the same time a certain margin for flexibility, so that these solutions can be adapted to the academic reality of each curriculum.

From this dual perspective, the key elements in the general dimensioning of the assessment tools to be applied in the 2020/21 academic year seem to be two:

- The synchronous or asynchronous nature of the assessment tool.
- Face-to-face or non-face-to-face nature of the assessment tool.

A) Synchronous and face-to-face assessment tools

Generally, the following assessment tools will be developed in a synchronous and face-to-face manner:

- Exams (essay, short answer questions and multiple-choice questions type).
- Oral presentations (works, seminars, laboratory experiences, practical tests).

In the development and execution of these assessment tools, the following should be taken into account:

- The academic provisions contained in the degree verification report, as well as the provisions of the <u>UCAM Assessment Regulation</u>.
- Compliance with the rules on capacity and social distancing set by the
 competent authorities in health and university matters. The rules of
 capacity and social distancing set by the competent authorities in health
 and university matters must be complied with. Whenever it is not possible
 to maintain the recommended interpersonal safety distance, students
 shall use masks, preferably hygienic and surgical, that cover the nose and
 mouth.
- Publication of marks.
 - ☐ The marks obtained by the students will be published in the *Announcement Tool.*



		UCAM Assessment Regulation.	
	٥	The teacher must include in the publication of marks a period for reviewing them, in case the student is not satisfied with the mark obtained, as established in the <u>UCAM Assessment Regulation</u> .	
Review of marks.			
	٥	The review of marks must be carried out in person. The date, time and place of the review must be previously set and published by the teacher in the Virtual Campus.	
	٠	The rules of capacity and social distancing set by the competent authorities in health and university matters must be complied with. Whenever it is not possible to maintain the recommended interpersonal safety distance, students shall use masks, preferably hygienic and surgical, that cover the nose and mouth.	
	0	The student must make an appointment to attend the review, using the <i>Private Message Tool</i> , so that the teacher knows in advance which students will be attending the exam review.	
	٥	The teacher may show the exam to the student, but the student may not touch and/or manipulate it in any way.	

☐ We recall that the student must be identified according to the

B) Asynchronous and virtual assessment tools

Generally, the following assessment tools will be developed in an asynchronous and virtual manner:

- Submission of works, reports, case studies, etc... that must be evaluated by the teacher after submission and do not require synchronised supervision during the performance/submission of the evaluation test.

In the development and execution of these assessment tools, the following should be taken into account:

- The academic provisions contained in the degree verification report, as well as the provisions of the <u>UCAM Assessment Regulation</u>.
- The call for the evaluation test must be published in the *Announcement Tool*. The publication of this call must be carried out according to the official format of the assessment call usually used by the degree.
- A task must be created using the Task Tool of the Virtual Campus:



		It must be visible to all students, specifying it start and end date/time.
		The <i>Turnitin</i> anti-plagiarism system must be activated.
	•	Specific tasks per student can be designed, adding students to previously defined groups and assigning the task to each student and group, thus minimising possible copies among the submitted tasks.
•	Evalua	ition of the task submitted:
	٥	The task submitted will be evaluated from the marking option, integrated in the <i>Task Tool</i> itself.
	٠	The teacher may ask the student for a brief defence of the task carried out through the <i>Videoconference Tool</i> to ensure the authorship of the same.
•	Publication of marks:	
		In the <i>Announcement Tool</i> , the marks obtained in each task and the final mark of the subject will be published in detail.
	٠	In the event that the brief defence referred to in the previous section is required, the student must be identified in accordance with the <u>UCAM Assessment Regulation</u> .
	٠	The teacher must include in the publication of marks a period for reviewing them, in case the student is not satisfied with the mark obtained, as established in the

C) Procedure for management of incident assessment call.

The <u>UCAM Assessment Regulation</u> includes the system to be applied in the event of incidents during an exam or test, as well as the conditions and requirements for granting the student an incident call, if applicable.

In this sense, the regime foreseen in the Evaluation Regulations for the call for incidents, will be applicable to those synchronous and face-to-face evaluation instruments integrated in the Bimodal model. Notwithstanding the above, while the situation of health crisis by COVID-19 lasts, a call for incidents will be



articulated in the following cases, upon express request of the student addressed to the Direction of the degree:

- Students who are residing in a foreign country at the time of the face-to-face exam (partial or final). These circumstances must be accredited by means of the appropriate documentation
- Students who, at the time of the exam (partial or final), are in home quarantine, with pathologies of special affectation by COVID-19 or persons or belonging to one of the main vulnerable groups by COVID-19, according to the information published by the Ministry of Health. These circumstances must be accredited by the corresponding medical documentation.

This call for incident will be developed on-line and will take the form of an oral examination. In relation to the evaluation of the practical part, the student must be provided, if necessary, with the same material that would be available at the University for taking the exam and that is indicated by the professor of the subject, so that the student's acquisition of skills can be properly evaluated.

However, when it is necessary to evaluate more than 10 students through this call for incidents, the Direction of the Degree may request to the Vice-rectorate of Quality and Academic Organization the celebration of the exam online in a different format to the oral one.

In addition to the above, in relation to the practical class sessions, in the theoretical subjects, which could not be attended in person due to any of the above cases, if the student should have attended a practical assessment test during these sessions, he may recover it by attending only the practical sufficiency test, scheduled at the end of the course

Access to and stay in the classroom/exam space:

- The student will access the classroom/examination space in an orderly manner and respecting social distance. Once inside the classroom, the student will be placed in one of the seats arranged and marked for the student as soon as possible
- The teacher responsible for the assessment test will check, during the assessment test, the identity of the student and that the students attending the test have active registration in that subject, so that they are entitled to be assessed on it. For this purpose:
 - The professor will use the class lists available in the UCAM academic applications.
 - The student will visibly place on the table, or other surface adjacent to himself, his identification document (ID card, driver's license, passport or university card UCAM).



- The student will remain in his/her examination place at all times, and will not be able to move around the classroom/examination space, unless expressly authorized by the professor.
- Once the evaluation test is over, the student will leave the classroom/examination space, without being able to remain in the adjacent hallways without a justified reason.

For the asynchronous and virtual assessment tools, the incidents that occur during the assessment will be managed as indicated below.

- 1) The student who detects or suffers an incident during a virtual assessment must notify the subject teacher immediately and never later than 30 minutes after the end of the exam. In turn, the student must justify the incident by sending evidence that proves the problem detected, where the system time is reflected. (Screenshot, video, ...).
- 2) Any incidents that may occur will be catalogued and resolved as follows:

2.1) Technical issues

• Random technical issues related to the university's own resources.

Once the issue has been reported by the student or detected by the teacher, the teacher will check with the VEV the veracity of the information provided by the student and the concurrence of the university's own factors in the reported or detected incident.

If these cases are confirmed, they must give rise to an incident call, managed and dated by the teacher in accordance with the technical indications given to the PDI member by the VEV.

• Random technical issues related to the student's own resources (bad internet connection, slow equipment...).

Those students who have known connection problems should inform the teacher prior to taking the exam and the teacher will indicate them through which technical means they should take the exam, according to the technical indications given to the PDI member by the VEV.

Notwithstanding the above, in those cases in which the student suffers an unexpected technical issue due to his/her own resources, he/she must report it to the teacher of the subject within the period indicated in point 1) above. In this case, the student will have an incident call in the following conditions determined by the teacher of the subject:



2.2) NON-technical issues

Incidents related to non-technical issues must be notified to the Administration of the Degree as soon as possible, which will analyse and resolve them in accordance with the <u>UCAM Assessment Regulation</u>.

D) Support and care for students with special educational needs

The pedagogical model represented by UCAM's Bimodal Teaching integrates solutions that pay special attention to the whole student body that requires curricular adaptations as a result of special educational needs, previously dictated to the student by external services/professionals qualified to do so.

In this sense, a special internal institutional communication campaign has been carried out with a double purpose:

- To raise the awareness of the Management Teams of the official bachelor's and master's degrees, as well as of the teaching staff in general, with regard to this group of students and the educational and academic needs derived from their status.
- To disseminate among the university community a reminder of the nature and functions of the Curricular Adaptation Service (SAC).

The SAC is integrated into the Vice-Chancellorship of Quality and Academic Organisation, and it is part of the academic structure of our university with the main aim of guaranteeing equal opportunities for students with disabilities and/or special needs.

• The activities developed by the SAC will be aimed at:

- 1. Students who have a Disability Certificate or a document that officially recognises any degree of disability, which could hinder the regular monitoring of the course in which they are registered.
- 2. Students with special needs without a Disability Certificate, which could affect the ordinary monitoring of the course in which they are registered.
- 3. Students with temporary needs (accidents, serious illness) which prevent them from following the ordinary planning of the course in they are enrolled.

SAC functions:

1. To manage the requests of the students who require some type of special academic adaptation, by applying, among other measures, the recommendations established by the Conference of Spanish University Rectors (CRUE) in its Adaptation Guide in the University, and monitoring



them throughout the academic year.

- 2. To offer advice to students and teachers on issues related to disability.
- 3. To promote specific training for teachers on pedagogical and educational strategies to be adopted in class.
- 4. To promote awareness actions for the full integration of these students inside and outside our university environment.

The Curricular Adaptation Service collaborates closely with the UCAM Group of Tutors, the UCAM Psychological Assessment Service and the Degree of reference for the student, with the main objective of helping all our students in their adequate academic development.

3.3) BIMODAL ASSESSMENT OF UNDERGRADUATE DISSERTATIONS (TFG)/ MASTER'S THESES (TFM)

The double face-to-face/virtual aspect present in the paradigm of Bimodal Teaching manifests itself again in the deposit, evaluation and defence, if applicable, of TFG and TFM.

In application of the above, the typical issues of the adaptation of the assessment of the face-to-face Undergraduate Dissertations and Master's Theses to the *Bimodal* model are detailed below. In all those aspects that are not explicitly mentioned, the <u>UCAM Regulation governing the undergraduate dissertations and master's theses</u> will be applicable.

A) Submission of the Undergraduate Dissertation/ Master's Thesis

Once the phase of tutelage in the academic planning that is typical of the subject Undergraduate Dissertation (TFG)/ Master's Thesis (TFM) is finalised, the submission of the work by the student will be carried out, so that it can be assessed and qualified.

The student must submit the TFG/TFM by doing the following:

- To upload a digital copy of it in the Virtual Campus, within the deadlines and in compliance with the procedure established in the official call of the corresponding assessment, equally published in the Virtual Campus in a timely manner.
- In addition to the above, the student must submit two paper copies of the work to the Secretariat of the degree, as well as sign the contract for electronic publishing and Internet publication, authorising, if necessary,



his/her TFG/TFM to be published in the institutional repository, in the event this is selected for such purpose by the TFG/TFM Commission.

B) Presentation/Defence of the Undergraduate Dissertation/Master's Thesis

Among the assessment tools of a face-to-face nature that make up Bimodal Teaching, there are the oral presentations or defences of the TFG/TFM.

In the event that the assessment system verified for the subject Undergraduate Dissertation/Master's Thesis effectively incorporates the exposure/defence of the same, these will be carried out in a face-to-face manner, taking into account the following considerations:

- The academic provisions contained in the degree verification report, as well as the provisions of the <u>UCAM Regulation governing the</u> undergraduate dissertations and master's theses.
- Compliance with the rules on capacity and social distancing set by the
 competent authorities in health and university matters. Whenever it is not
 possible to maintain the recommended interpersonal safety distance,
 students shall use masks, preferably hygienic and surgical, that cover the
 nose and mouth.
 - The marks obtained by the students will be published in the Announcement Tool.
 We recall that the student must be identified according to the UCAM Assessment Regulation.
 - □ The teacher must include in the publication of marks a period for reviewing them, in case the student is not satisfied with the mark obtained, as established in the <u>UCAM Assessment Regulation</u>.
- Review of marks.

Publication of marks.

- ☐ The review of marks must be carried out in person. The date, time and place of the review must be previously set and published by the teacher in the Virtual Campus.
- ☐ The rules of capacity and social distancing set by the competent authorities in health and university matters must be complied with.

 Whenever it is not possible to maintain the recommended



- interpersonal safety distance, students shall use masks, preferably hygienic and surgical, that cover the nose and mouth.
- ☐ The student must make an appointment to attend the review, using the *Private Message Tool*, so that the teacher knows in advance which students will be attending the exam review.

3.4) EXTERNAL INTERNSHIPS. TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT IN THE BIMODAL MODEL.

In compliance with the indications and requirements of capacity, security and social distancing established by the health and competent authorities in university matters, without diminishing the guarantees for the student in the acquisition of the competences and learning results of the Bachelor's/Master's degrees curriculum, the academic planning of the subjects of curricular internships will attend to the following lines of action:

A) Training Activities in the Internship Centre

In the area of External Internships, the face-to-face component of the Bimodal training model will be determined by face-to-face planning 100% of the hours of external internships planned for each curricular internship subject.

This face-to-face internship period will take place at the external internship centre and will be governed by the corresponding verification report and the official UCAM regulations in force regarding external university internships.

The rules of capacity and social distancing set by the competent authorities in health and university matters must be complied with. Whenever it is not possible to maintain the recommended interpersonal safety distance, students shall use masks, preferably hygienic and surgical, that cover the nose and mouth.

B) Assessment of External Internships

If, within the evaluation system verified for the subject of external internships, the student must prepare a report or any other instrument that serves to evaluate the subject, the submission and evaluation of this material will be subject to the following conditions:

 The academic provisions contained in the degree verification report, the UCAM official and specific regulations in force for external university internships, as well as the provisions of the <u>UCAM Assessment</u> <u>Regulation</u>.



	be published in the <i>Announcement Tool</i> . The publication of this call must be carried out according to the official format of the assessment call usually used by the degree.		
•	A task must be created using the <i>Task Tool</i> of the Virtual Campus:		
	٥	It must be visible to all students, specifying it start and end date/time.	
		The <i>Turnitin</i> anti-plagiarism system must be activated.	
		Specific tasks per student can be designed, adding students to previously defined groups and assigning the task to each student and group, thus minimising possible copies among the submitted tasks.	
•	Evalua	ition of the task submitted:	
	٦	The task submitted will be evaluated from the marking option, integrated in the <i>Task Tool</i> itself.	
	٠	The teacher may ask the student for a brief defence of the task carried out through the <i>Videoconference Tool</i> to ensure the authorship of the same.	
•	Publica	ation of marks:	
	Q	In the Announcement Tool, the marks obtained in each task and the final mark of the subject will be published in detail.	
	٠	In the event that the brief defence referred to in the previous section is required, the student must be identified in accordance with the <u>UCAM Assessment Regulation</u> .	
	٠	The teacher must include in the publication of marks a period for reviewing them, in case the student is not satisfied with the mark obtained, as established in the UCAM Assessment Regulation .	
•	Review of marks:		
	۵	The student must first request a review through the <i>Private Message Tool</i> .	
		The review of marks must be done through the <i>Videoconference Tool</i> .	

• The call for the evaluation test/submission of the evaluation material must



4. CONTEXT 3 - NON-FACE-TO-FACE UNIVERSITY TEACHING.

As recapitulated in section 2 of this Protocol, the state of alert declared in Spain as a result of the health crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic led to the suspension of face-to-face teaching in Spanish universities in the last part of the 2019/020 academic year, and the conversion of face-to-face university education to online modality.

The actual materialisation of this section, **Context 3 - Non face-to-face university teaching**, deals with the possibility of continuing with an adapted virtual teaching model similar to that developed in the last months of the 2019/20 academic year, as a result of an eventual suspension of face-to-face teaching in Spanish universities, determined once again by the competent authorities. This virtual model applicable to the 2020/21 academic year, a copy of the model implemented in the second semester of last year, would be nuanced in those aspects that are necessary as a result of the experience, integrating with greater specific weight methodological solutions typical of Continuous Assessment.

This possible scenario could take shape in accordance with the progression of the COVID-19 health crisis during the 2020/21 academic year, depending on the security measures that may be established by the health authorities and in the field of universities, adapting the Bimodal model to full virtual mode teaching where appropriate. However, in the event of this Context 3, it is necessary to establish the academic bases and principles that would govern it, so in the following sections of this Protocol the regulatory framework of the Non face-to-face Pedagogical Model that will be occasionally implemented in UCAM is developed.



4.1) ADAPTATION OF THE FACE-TO-FACE TEACHING METHODOLOGIES TO A STRICTLY VIRTUAL ENVIRONMENT

The adaptation of face-to-face teaching and assessment to the virtual mode requires, as the first element of the adaptive chain, that teachers and students know the processes of online teaching and assessment, in terms of methodology and applicable technical resources.

With the aim of ensuring that this virtual adaptation of classroom sessions can be undertaken with institutional guarantees, the University, through the Vice-Chancellorship of Virtual Teachings (VEV), has designed and implemented a specific contingency plan that addresses methodological aspects and applicable technical resources, incorporating measures such as the following:

a) Indications about the transfer of the virtualization of face-to-face academic planning.

- To determine the face-to-face lessons to be taught online, by means of videoconferences, through the Virtual Campus:
 - Master classes given in conventional classrooms.
 - Classes in APIs whose software is available from apiweb.ucam.edu
- Publication of the class schedules planned for the semester. Generation of a document that includes the URL to the *videoconference room* of each subject in the Virtual Campus.
 - Each subject will have a specific link to carry out all the videoconferences.
 - It will be published:
 - On the website of the degree.
 - On the secretariat of the virtual campus only to the groups involved.
 - For the videoconferences, only the *BLACKBOARD* tool available on the Virtual Campus (https://voutu.be/KiDB1KeSV5Q) will be used.
 - In general, the class sessions will be broadcasted in streaming through the Virtual Campus, so that they can be followed by students in a non-presential way. Only those



class sessions which have been expressly notified to the Vice-rectorate of Virtual Teaching will be recorded.

 Regarding the practical class sessions, included in the academic planning of theoretical subjects, they should generally be taught through virtual teaching methodologies.

Notwithstanding the above, in those cases in which the Administration of the degree considers it unavoidable to give certain practical sessions in a face-to-face manner, since the training on competences inherent to these sessions cannot be carried out by means of pure online learning methodologies in any way, the following procedure will be followed:

- The Administration of the degree must design a Recovery Plan for these practical sessions, which must be given in a face-to-face manner, in such a way that they can take place once the suspension of face-to-face teaching, eventually decreed, is lifted.
- The academic planning initially foreseen for the teaching/assessment of the subject will not be modified, so the official assessment calls will take place in accordance with the provisions of the 2020/21 Academic Calendar.
- The assessment that will take place in the aforementioned calls will focus on the contents taught in a face-to-face/virtual manner before the end date of the planned teaching in the degree in question, without prejudice to the possible subsequent teaching of face-to-face sessions of an unavoidable nature.
- This exceptional training regime will not affect the existence of prerequisites/incompatibilities between subjects, the validity of which will remain unchanged.
- b) Plan for training and technical assistance in teaching methodologies and online technical resources, aimed at teaching and research staff (PDI).
 - To plan face-to-face training sessions prior to the current situation of home confinement, at the request of interested teachers.
 - To plan training sessions through videoconference, at the request of interested teachers.



- Training and support material available online. To generate and disseminate it among the PDI members.
 - Video tutorial on how to make a videoconference.
 - Step-by-step manual.
 - Technical assistance to the PDI members.
 - ➤ To assign specific VEV personnel by faculty/centre for the purpose of providing technical assistance to PDI members, with two levels of user service:
 - In the first instance, the person designated in each of the degrees, who will have been previously trained and who will have the necessary knowledge about the functioning of the tool, will be contacted.
 - If the incident/request could not be solved at this first level, it is possible to contact the staff of the Vice-Chancellorship of Virtual Teaching (vicerrectoradoeducacionvirtual@ucam.edu)
 - > To enable an electronic incident report form available to the PDI members and the technical secretariat of each degree.
- c) Plan for training and technical assistance in teaching methodologies and online technical resources, aimed at students.
 - Publication by the VEV of the <u>technical requirements</u> necessary to study online.
 - Training and support material available online. To generate and disseminate it through the Virtual Campus.
 - Video tutorial on how to participate in a videoconference.
 - Video tutorial on how to display a recorded class.
 - Step-by-step manual in Spanish.



- Step-by-step manual in English.
- Technical assistance to the student.
 - Doubts about the functioning of the tool. Contact *university Contact Center*: +34 968 278 800
 - Technical issues:
 - ➤ Telephone helpline. User support service: +34 968 278 858.
 - Notification of incidents through the <u>MyUcam/Soporte</u> virtual space.
 - ➤ Incident referral via email to: <u>atenuser@ucam.edu</u>

4.2) ADAPTATION OF THE ASSESSMENT SYSTEMS OF FACE-TO-FACE TEACHING TO ONLINE MODALITY (Basic, Compulsory and Optional Subjects)

The virtual adaptation of face-to-face teachings at our university requires a transversal treatment for all our Bachelor's and Master's degrees, which offers general solutions, but at the same time leaves a certain margin for flexibility, so that these solutions can be adapted to the academic reality of each curriculum.

From this dual perspective, the key elements in the dimensioning of the process of adaptation of our courses seem to be two, a consequence of the experience lived last year:

- The most appropriate assessment systems/tools according to the nature of the subject.
- The size of the class group.

Based on these key elements, in a possible online scenario in the 2020/21 academic year, each teacher will have to adapt the assessment system of the subject to this online modality, incorporating as necessary methodological elements specific to continuous assessment. Two models are proposed for the adaptation of assessment systems from face-to-face to virtual teaching:

- · Continuous Assessment Model.
- Model based on online final exams.



The decision on the application of one or another assessment model to each specific subject, as well as of the various assessment tools that make up each of them and that are listed below, will be considered jointly by the Administration of the Degree and the teacher responsible for the area/subject.

Notwithstanding the above, the assessment system for all basic, compulsory and optional subjects must include assessment instruments specific to continuous assessment, so that the assessment model based on online final exams may represent a maximum of 30% of the assessment system for the subject, contributing at most in that percentage to the calculation of the weighted average mark for the subject.

Below, aspects of both assessment models are described. In all those matters not explicitly referred to, the <u>UCAM Assessment Regulation</u>, will be applicable.

A) Continuous Assessment Model

This methodology is based on the assessment of the subject through the realisation of individualised tasks by contents, culminating in a conclusive task/project, which includes a final reflection of the student himself/herself, which allows to infer the acquisition of competences and learning of contents by the student.

In this model, it is advisable to design an assessment based on rubrics, where the defined tasks are related to both the specific competences and the learning outcomes that would be specific to them. The student will pass the subject once he/she has passed/acquired all the competences.

1. Type of tasks:

- <u>Micro-Tasks:</u> At least one task per unit or topic shall be defined, covering the main objectives of the tasks.
- <u>Final Project:</u> This task will simulate the completion of an exam, gathering in a global way the objectives of the tasks previously defined and carried out.

2. Type of subjects:

- Essentially theoretical subjects.
- Theoretical subjects, whose assessment is however fundamental or totally practical (problem solving, case analysis, projects).



3. Evaluation protocol and virtual campus tools:

- a. The following calls must be published in the *Announcement Tool*:
 - Call for Micro-Tasks with the planning of all defined tasks, including assessment weight (%) and timing.
 - Call for the Final Project with detailed instructions, assessment weight (%) and timing.

The publication of this call must be carried out according to the official format of the assessment call usually used by the degree.

- b. Tasks must be created using the Virtual Campus Task Tool:
 - They must be visible to all students, specifying their start and end date.
 - All tasks must have the *Turnitin* anti-plagiarism system activated.
 - Specific tasks per student can be designed, adding students to previously defined groups and assigning the task to each student and group, thus minimising possible copies among the submitted tasks.
- c. Assessment of the Micro-Tasks and of the Final Project:
 - Each task submitted will be independently evaluated from the marking option, integrated in the *Task Tool* itself.
 - The teacher may ask the student for a brief defence of the task carried out through the Videoconference Tool to ensure the authorship of the same.

d. Publication of marks:

- In the *Announcement Tool*, all the marks obtained in each task and the final mark of the subject will be published in detail.
- We recall that the student must be identified according to the <u>UCAM Assessment Regulation</u>.
- The teacher must include in the publication of marks a period for reviewing them, in case the student is not satisfied with the mark obtained, as established in the <u>UCAM Assessment Regulation</u>.

e. Review of marks:



- The student must first request a review through the *Private Message Tool*.
- The review of marks must be done through the *Videoconference Tool*.

B) Online final exams

A methodology based on online final exams is structured around an online final exam carried out through the Virtual Campus. The use of this methodology can represent at most 30% of the assessment system of the subject, contributing to such percentage, at most, the calculation of the weighted average mark of the subject itself.

To take the exams, all students must have their webcam activated.

1. Type of subjects:

- Essentially theoretical subjects.
- Theoretical subjects, with practical content

2. Evaluation protocol and virtual campus tools:

a. Multiple choice exam (minimum 3 options), one correct option.

The exam will be created from a set of questions and this set will consist of at least twice as many questions as the ones that will be included in the final exam, so that each student has a different exam. The penalty for a wrongly answered question is mandatory.

This type of exams is focused on theoretical subjects followed by a big number of students.

b. Short-answer exams.

The short-answer exams will be carried out through the assignment tool by activating the *Turnitin* anti-plagiarism option. In this exam modality, the students will be able to attach files if necessary.

This type of exam is focused on subjects with practical content in which, due to their nature, it is possible to allow the use of notes to



carry out the exam. It is advisable to include a personal contribution from the student in the resolution of this type of exam.

It should be limited to the established exam time. In order to limit the time, it is important to control both the date/time of the publication of the assignment and the time of submission.

This type of exam is conditioned by the number of students to be assessed, with a low or average teacher-student ratio.

c. Oral exams.

Oral exams will be conducted through the *video conferencing Tool*.

This type of exam would be mainly focused on subjects where the teacher-student ratio is low.

d. Publication of marks.

- The marks obtained by the students will be published in the Announcement Tool.
- We recall that the student must be identified according to the <u>UCAM</u> <u>Assessment Regulation</u>.
- The teacher must include in the publication of marks a period for their revision, in case the student is not satisfied with the mark obtained, as established in the <u>UCAM Assessment Regulation</u>

e. Revision of marks.

- The review of marks must be done through the video conferencing Tool.
- The student must first request a review through the *Private Message Tool*.
- Depending on the exam model, it is recommended:
 - If the exam is a multiple-choice exam carried out through the exams tool: the teacher will inform the student regarding the number of questions answered correctly, the ones answered incorrectly and the unanswered questions. The teacher shall also indicate the topics to which each of them belongs and provide an explanation of the erroneous concepts.



- Both if the exam is a **short-answer exam carried out through the assignment tool**, or it is an **oral exam carried out through the video conferencing tool**: the teacher will indicate to the student the lacks and the not passed aspects with regard to the assessed subject.
- The revision of the marks **does not imply** the visualisation of the student's exam. However, the students can see their exams at the university facilities once the current situation is solved, prior written request.

C) Procedure for the management of the assessment call for incidents.

The <u>UCAM Assessment Regulation</u> includes the system to be applied in the event of incidents during an exam, as well as the conditions and requirements for granting the student an incident call, if applicable. This issue, like the other ones collected in this protocol for **Context 3 - Non face-to-face university teaching** also requires the adaptation to the new university scenario, that derives from the COVID 19 health crisis.

Therefore, if the Context 3 described in this Protocol takes place in the 2020/2021 academic year, the incidents happened during the assessment through virtual means will be managed as follows.

- 1) The student who detects or suffers from an incident during a virtual assessment should notify it to the teacher of the subject immediately and never after 30 minutes from the finalisation of the exam. In turn, the student must justify the incident by providing evidence that demonstrates the detected problem, in which the system time is visible. (Screenshot, video, ...).
- 2) Any incidents that may occur will be catalogued and resolved as follows:

2.1) Technical issues

• Random technical issues related to the university's own resources.

Once the issue has been reported by the student or detected by the teacher, the teacher will check with the VEV the veracity of the information provided by the student and the concurrence of the university's own factors in the reported or detected incident.



If these cases are confirmed, they must give rise to an incident call, managed and dated by the teacher in accordance with the technical indications given to the PDI member by the VEV.

• Random technical issues related to the student's own resources (bad internet connection, slow equipment...).

Those students who have known connection problems should inform the teacher prior to taking the exam and the teacher will indicate them through which technical means they should take the exam, according to the technical indications given to the PDI member by the VEV.

Notwithstanding the above, in those cases in which the student suffers an unexpected technical issue due to his/her own resources, he/she must report it to the teacher of the subject within the period indicated in point 1) above. In this case, the student will have an incident call under the following conditions:

- Assessment through oral exam by video conference.
- The incident call will take place on the same day as the assessment test on which the incident occurred, or at the latest during the next working day immediately following it. For these purposes, working days will be understood as being from Monday to Saturday of each week.
- The time of this incident call will be set by the teacher of the subject, and in case of coincidence with another exam in which the student will take part, the time will be set by the Administration of the Degree.

2.2) Non-Technical issues

Incidents related to non-technical issues must be notified to the Administration of the Degree as soon as possible, which will analyse and resolve them in accordance with the *UCAM Assessment Regulation*.

D) Support and care for students with special educational needs

In case **Context 3 - Non face-to-face university teaching** takes place during the 2020/2021 academic year, with the corresponding conversion of face-to-face teachings to the online modality, UCAM will give special attention to the students who need curricular adaptations due to their special educative needs, previously dictated to the student by external services/professionals qualified to do so.

In this sense, a special campaign of internal institutional communication was



carried out with two aims:

- To raise awareness among the Managing Teams of the official Bachelor's and Master's Degrees, as well as among the faculty in general, with regard to this group of students and the educative and academic needs that derive from their condition.
- To disseminate among the university community a reminder of the nature and functions of the Curriculum Adaptation Service (SAC).

Integrated in the Vice-Chancellorship of Quality and Academic Organisation, the SAC is integrated within the academic structure of our university with the main aim of guaranteeing the equality of opportunities of the students with disabilities and/or special needs.

The activities to be developed by SAC will be addressed to:

- 1. Students who have a Disability Certificate or a document that officially recognises any degree of disability, which could hinder the regular monitoring of the course to which they are registered.
- 2. Students with special needs without a Disability Certificate, which could affect the ordinary monitoring of the course to which they are registered.
- 3. Students with temporary needs (accidents, serious illness) which prevent them from following the ordinary planning of the course to which they are registered.

• SAC functions:

- 1. To manage the requests of students who require some type of special academic adaptation, by applying, among other measures, the recommendations established by the Conference of Spanish University Rectors (Conferencia de Rectores de Universidades Españolas, CRUE) in its Adaptation Guide in the University, and monitoring them throughout the academic year.
- 2. To offer advice to students and teachers on issues related to disability.
- 3. To promote specific training for teachers on pedagogical and educational strategies to be adopted in class.
- 4. To promote awareness actions for the full integration of these students inside and outside our university environment.

The Curricular Adaptation Service will collaborate closely with the UCAM Group of Tutors, the Psychological Assessment Service UCAM and the Degree of reference for the student, with the main objective of helping all our students with their adequate academic development.



4.3) CONTEXT 3 - NO FACE-TO-FACE UNIVERSITY TEACHING - ASSESSMENT OF UNDERGRADUATE DISSERTATIONS (TFG) AND MASTER'S THESES (TFM)

In case of Context 3 - Non face-to-face university teaching, the assessment of face-to-face Undergraduate Dissertations and Master's Theses will equally require a methodological adaptation to the online modality.

Based on the response of the Ministry of Universities to a formal consultation sent last year, on the possibility that the Undergraduate Dissertations and Master's Theses of face-to-face teachings had to be assessed/defended exclusively online in the event that the competent authorities decreed the suspension of face-to-face teaching in university education, and on the provisions of the <u>UCAM Regulation governing the undergraduate dissertations and master's theses</u>, the specific issues related to the adaptation of the assessment of the Undergraduate Dissertations and Master's Theses to online modality are listed below.

In all those aspects that are not explicitly mentioned, it will be applicable the <u>UCAM</u> Regulation governing the undergraduate dissertations and master's theses..

A) Submission of the Undergraduate Dissertation/Master's Thesis

Once the phase of tutelage in the academic planning that is typical of the subject Undergraduate Dissertation (TFG)/Master's Thesis (TFM) is finalised, the submission of the work by the student will be carried out, so that it can be assessed and qualified.

The student must submit the TFG/TFM by placing a digital copy of it in the Virtual Campus, within the deadlines and in compliance with the procedure established in the official call of the corresponding assessment, equally published in the Virtual Campus in a timely manner.

B) Presentation/Defence of the Undergraduate Dissertation/Master's Thesis

In case the assessment system verified for the subject Undergraduate Dissertation/Master's Thesis includes, in fact, its presentation/defence, as it would happen with the virtual adaptation of the other subjects of our face-to-face curricula, in the case of TFG/TFM, we will face two essential aspects that will affect the possible models of presentation/defence of such works:

- The defence of the work before a tribunal
- The size of the class group.



Starting from these key elements, and considering the exceptionalness of the current situation, hereby are proposed three models of adaptation of the presentation/defence of the TFG/TFM from a face-to-face teaching to a virtual teaching. The decision regarding the application of one model of assessment or the other to the subject Undergraduate Dissertation/Master's Thesis will be subject to the joint consideration of the TFG/TFM Commission of each degree.

Regardless of the chosen model, all the video-conferencing rooms have been qualified as public in the Virtual Campus, so that any of the proposed models can be carried out with the requirement of the attendance at the public defence of a TFG/TFM where appropriate.

- Individual synchronised defence by public video conference before the tribunal
- This model of presentation/defence will be applicable to the TFMs and the TFG of the Higher Polytechnic School and to the TFGs affected by the 1st Transitory Disposition of the UCAM Regulation governing the undergraduate dissertations and master's theses.
- They will be carried out through the *Video Conferencing Tool* of the Virtual Campus.
- The defences will be public, the degree will create the necessary defence sessions in the virtual campus and it will publish the defence call in the secretariat of the virtual campus of the corresponding degree.
 - 2. <u>Individual synchronised defence by public video</u> conference before the tribunal.
- This model is applicable to the TFGs affected by the 1st Transitory Disposition of the UCAM Regulation governing the undergraduate dissertations and master's theses.
- They will be carried out through the Video Conferencing Tool of the Virtual Campus.
- The video conference containing the presentation of the TFG carried out by the student before the TFG tutor will be recorded, so that it can be later visualised by the TFG Commission of the degree, exclusively for the concession of the Distinction mention, where appropriate.



- The defences will be public, the degree will create the necessary defence sessions in the virtual campus and it will publish the defence call in the secretariat of the virtual campus of the corresponding degree.
 - 3. Asynchronous defence of the work, through the digital recording by the student, complemented by a following public multiconference.
- This model is applicable to the TFGs/TFMs in those degrees with a high rate of students registered in the subject Undergraduate Dissertation/Master's Thesis.
- The student must submit both the report of the TFG/TFM carried out and a video with the presentation/defence of the work, whose duration will be determined by each degree in the official assessment call published in the Virtual Campus.
- The video with the presentation/defence of the final works will be made available through mechanisms that grant the access to this content with regard to the regulation in force regarding data protection. Some of these mechanisms can be:
 - Uploading the video to YouTube, with hidden visibility.
 - Using *Google Drive* and sharing a link to the content, with the active permissions to make them visible.
- The tribunals will be constituted in compliance with the indications
 of composition described in the UCAM Regulation governing the
 undergraduate dissertations and master's theses. Once the
 tribunals are constituted, each tribunal will visualise in an
 asynchronous way the recordings of the defences made available
 by the students that have been submitted to it.
- Once the individual recorded defences are visualised, each tribunal will convoke sessions of multiconferences, in groups of around 10 students, through the *Videoconferencing Tool* of the Virtual Campus, where the tribunal will be able to request assessments or clarifications to each student on the corresponding final works.
- The multiconference sessions will be public. The degree will create the necessary sessions in the virtual campus and it will publish the



corresponding call in the secretariat of the virtual campus of the corresponding degree.

4.4) ASSESSMENT OG EXTERNAL INTERNSHIPS. AN ONLINE SCENARIO - ACADEMIC YEAR 2020/2021

A) Sudden face-to-face teaching suspension. Current condition of the 2020/2021 Academic Planning initially foreseen for the subjects of External Internship (face-to-face).

The academic reality contemplated in the third of the contexts included in this Protocol could represent, for some of our students, the sudden impossibility of developing the total number of internship hours foreseen in the ordinary academic planning of the subject "External Internships".

In this sense, the solutions proposed in this Protocol in relation to external internships have been designed so that all students registered in these subjects can carry out the initially established planning in accordance with the academic calendar of our university for the 2020/21 academic year, in the event that a new suspension of face-to-face academic activity in Spanish universities is declared.

In relation with the initially foreseen planning of the external internships of our Bachelor's and Master's official degrees, based on when above mentioned suspension of university face-to-face teaching would take place, the students registered in these subjects will be framed in one of the following situations:

- a) Students who have carried out 70% or more of planned external internship hours.
- b) Students who have carried out between 50% and 70% of the planned external internship hours.
- c) Students who have carried out less than 50% of the planned external internship hours.
- d) Students who have not carried out any of the planned external internship hours.

B) Assessment criteria of external internships

The Governing Board and the academic bodies of the universities determined the following assessment criteria, based on each of the four previous situations:



- a) Students who have carried out 70% or more of planned external internship hours.
 - Assessment based exclusively on the competences acquired during the effectively carried out face-to-face internship stay; therefore, it will not be necessary to complete the training received with any other complementary formative activity.
- b) Students who have carried out between 50% and 70% of the planned external internship hours. The degree must design a Recovery Plan of the training in relation to external internships in the following terms:
 - In general, the assessment of the student will be based on the competences acquired during the effectively carried out face-to-face internship stay.
 - In spite of the above, in the framework of the Recovery Plan, the degree must design complementary formative activities based on the competences that the student could not develop in the face-to-face internship stay, due sudden interruption, with the aim that, if the student wishes to, he/she can carry them out and improve the mark resulting from the assessment of the face-to-face stay. This Recovery Plan must be completed with:
 - Continuation, in online modality, of the stay in suspended face-to-face internships, in those cases in which it is possible to coordinate the online development of the stay with the internship centre/tutor of the collaborating body.
 - Development and teaching of complementary virtual formative activities. The following ones are listed as an example:
 - Seminars
 - Workshops
 - Projects
 - Portfolios
 - Case analysis
- c) Students who have carried out less than 50% of the planned external internship hours. The degree must design a Recovery Plan of the training in relation to external internships that are not taught in a face-to-face modality



that allows the student to receive the training corresponding to at least 50% of the planned external internship hours. This recovery plan will include:

- Assessment based exclusively on the competences acquired during the effectively carried out face-to-face internship stay.
- Training in those competences that could not be developed during the face-to-face internship stay, due to its sudden interruption, that shall be completed by means of:
 - Continuation, in online modality, of the stay in suspended face-to-face internships, in those cases in which it is possible to coordinate the online development of the stay with the internship centre/tutor of the collaborating body.
 - ➤ Development and teaching of complementary formative activities: The following ones are listed as an example:
 - Seminars
 - Workshops
 - Projects
 - Portfolios
 - Case analysis
- d) Students who have not carried out any of the planned external internship hours. If the face-to-face internship stay has not been developed at all, the degree must design a *Recovery Plan* that allows the student to receive the training corresponding to at least 50% of the planned hours of external internship. This recovery plan will include:
 - Training in the typical competences of the subjects of external internships which shall be completed by means of:
 - Development, in online modality, of the stay in suspended face-to-face internships, in those cases in which it is possible to coordinate the online development of the stay with the internship centre/tutor of the collaborating body.
 - ➤ Development and teaching of complementary formative activities: The following ones are listed as an example:
 - Seminars
 - Workshops



- Projects
- Portfolios
- Case analysis
- Performance of the totality of the face-to-face internship stay, once the face-to-face lessons start again with normality.

C) Assessment of External Internships

If within the verified assessment system for the 'external internship' subject the student must develop a report or any other tool that would be useful for the assessment of the subject, the submission and assessment of such material would be subject to the following conditions:

- The academic forecasts collected in the verification report of the degree, the official and specific regulation of UCAM in force with regard to external university internships, as well as in accordance with the principles of the UCAM Assessment Regulation.
- The call for the test of assessment/submission of the assessment material must be published on the *Announces Tool*. The publication of this call must be carried out according to the official format of the assessment call usually used by the degree.
- An assignment must be created through the assignments Tool of the virtual campus:
 - They must be visible to all students, specifying their start and end date.
 - The anti-plagiarism system *Turnitin* must be activated.
 - Specific assignments per student can be designed, adding students to previously defined groups and assigning the task to each student and group, thus minimising possible copies among the submitted assignments.
- Assessment of the submitted assignment:
 - The assignment will be submitted from the mark option, which is integrated in the assignments Tool itself.
 - The teacher may ask the student for a brief defence of the assignment carried out through the *video conferencing Tool* to ensure the authorship of the same.
- Publication of marks:



- In the Announcement Tool, all the marks obtained in each assignment and the final mark of the subject will be published in detail.
- In case the shirt defence mentioned in the previous section is needed, the student must be identified in compliance with <u>UCAM Assessment</u> <u>Regulation.</u>
- The teacher must include in the publication of marks a period, for their revision, in case the student is not satisfied with the mark obtained, as established in the <u>UCAM Assessment</u> Regulation

Review of marks:

- The student must first request a review through the *Private Message Tool*.
- The review of marks must be done through the *video conferencing Tool*.



5) CATALOGUE/OFFER OF EXTRACURRICULAR SEMINARS IN ONLINE MODALITY.

In accordance with Royal Decree 1393/2007, of 29 October, which establishes the organisation of official university education, students may obtain academic recognition in credits for participation in university cultural, sports, student representation, solidarity and cooperation activities.

Both in Context 2 - Teaching of university courses under the paradigm of the so-called *Bimodal Teaching*, and in Context 3 - Non face-to-face university teaching, established in this Protocol, the academic circumstances of the students who decided to cover a part of the optional credits of their curricula through the recognition of previous credits of social-cultural activities will be addressed by the offer, by all our degrees and the Central Unit of Religious Sciences, of a catalogue of seminars to be taught in online modality, through the Virtual Campus.

The creation of such catalogue, and the fact of providing it with a sufficient number of seminars, represents a real and important need for our university and our students, since otherwise many of them would not be able to finish their studies in the 2020/2021 academic year and request their diploma once they pass the rest of subjects in which they formalised the registration for this year, since they would always lack the credits that must be obtained through such seminars.

Therefore, each Bachelor's Degree and Central Unit of Religious Sciences, for their part, must offer from 3 to 5 extracurricular seminars, aimed at being taken online by those students who want to obtain a part of the optional credits of their curriculum in this way.

The Vice-Chancellorship of Quality and Academic Organisation will formally request to send the offer of such seminars, with the indication of the procedure and deadlines to follow to carry it out.



6) DIFFUSION AND PUBLICITY OF THE NEW VIRTUAL METHODOLOGIES AND ASSESSMENT CRITERIA IN CONTEXTS 2 AND 3

The Teaching Guide of a degree constitutes the fundamental tool to fulfil two key elements of the learning process designed by the European Higher Education Area: the typical competences of the degree, including the verification report, and the work that the teacher and the student must carry out to obtain them.

The Teaching Guide is a necessary reference document both for students and teachers. For the students, it is an essential element of information on the content, teaching methodologies and assessment systems of a specific subject in a curriculum; on the other hand, for the teachers, it represents the commitment with the guidelines of the verified degree in which they teach, and the security and transparency in the functioning of the Internal Quality Assurance System (SGIQ) applicable in our University.

Both in the case of Context 2 - Teaching of university courses under the paradigm of the so-called *Bimodal Teaching* and in the case of Context 3 - Non face-to-face university teaching, the Teaching Guide transmits and communicates to the student in a correct way the methodological broad lines established by the university, based on this pedagogical model applicable to our official Bachelor's and Master's teachings in the 2020/21 academic year.

For the information on the teaching and assessment methodologies that are typical of this pedagogical model to be accessible for the students in the most efficient way with regard to time and process, it has been included in an automatised way an homogeneous section in all the teaching guides of the subjects of each Bachelor's and Master's Degrees curricula, which includes a link to this Protocol.

Together with the essential informative function carried out by the Teaching Guides, the official assessment calls are another fundamental tool for the transmission of both educative models among the student body, since they factually define the assessment system that will be applied to the student in each case. The official assessment call must be published on the Virtual Campus by respecting the formalities included in the <u>UCAM Assessment Regulation</u>.



7) THE UCAM STRUCTURE OF STUDENT REPRESENTATION IN CONTEXTS 2 AND 3

The structure of Student Representation constitutes one of the core elements of our university community, functioning as a channel and a general link for the students that are represented with the teaching organisation and the management of our university.

The structure of Student Representation of UCAM has played a fundamental role in channelling and transmitting the concerns of students during the 2019/20 academic year, particularly during the period of suspension of face-to-face teaching decreed during the State of Alarm experienced as a result of the COVID-19 health crisis, and is called upon to play an equally essential role in the 2020/21 academic year, during any of the academic contexts that may take place, but especially in case of Context 2 - Teaching of university courses under the paradigm of the so-called *Bimodal Teaching* and in case of Context 3 - Non face-to-face university teaching.

In this sense, a series of efficient solutions in terms of process, time and students' satisfaction was adopted, and by complying with the security conditions imposed by the health authorities, they allow to carry out the 2020/2021 elections for the Student Representation structure. These solutions were collected in the <a href="https://www.uccarry.com/uccarry.com



8) THE INTERNAL QUALITY GUARANTEE SYSTEM AND CONTEXTS 2 AND 3 IN THE 2020/21 ACADEMIC YEAR

A) Plan for the follow-up of the academic implementation of the Bimodal and the Online models

In order to comply with the commitment to academic quality of our university's staff, as well as with the effort and involvement of our students, UCAM has designed the huge strategic plan included in this technical document, with the intention that it will serve as a regulatory framework for any of the three academic contexts that are expected to take place in the 2020/21 academic year, ensuring that the planning included in the Academic Calendar for the next year is not interrupted, and our students will be able to study and finish their studies in spite of the events caused by the COVID-19 health crisis.

To ensure that the implementation of both the Bimodal model and the Online model is carried out transversally in all official Bachelor's and Master's degree teachings, the Governing Council and the academic bodies of our University have established a specific follow-up plan, which must be put into practice when the time comes to implement one model or the other, and which includes the following indications:

- 1. The Dean, Vice-dean, Director will record a video addressed to the *students* of his/her degree that will include the following content:
 - His/her own introduction.
 - Short comment regarding the broad lines of the Bimodal or Online educative model, depending on the educative model implemented at that time of the 2020/2021 academic year.
 - Reference to the 2020/21 academic year planning in terms of foreseen class schedule, which will materialize the specific educational model being deployed at that time of the course.
 - Reference to the special follow-up that will be carried out by the
 Direction of the Degree, so that the development of the academic
 planning foreseen for the 2020/21 academic year runs smoothly,
 remaining at the disposal of the students of the degree for the
 resolution of any doubt or for transmitting any observation they
 might make.

This video will be published on the virtual campus, permanently located in a space that is immediately accessible for the student.



2. Every teaching week, Each school week, the Dean, Vice-Dean, Director will convene a virtual cloister in which, among other relevant issues, the following will necessarily be addressed:

- Revision/review of the class schedule planned for that week, for all the courses included in the degree.
- Remainder of the fact that the teaching of classes must be carried out in compliance with the foreseen schedule published for the 2020/21 academic year.
- Indication that the Direction of the Degree will pay special attention to the punctual development of the planned class schedules, notwithstanding the fact that they are taught in online mode, in its case
- Reference to the fact that the Direction of the Degree is at the disposal of all the faculty for the reception of doubts or incidents regarding this issue, which will be opportunely transferred to the academic bodies of the university to be analysed, considered and answered.

Such video must be:

- Published on the virtual campus, so that it is only visible/accessible for the faculty of the degree.
- Sent to the faculty of the degree by e-mail.

B) Development of future Follow-up and Accreditation processes of the official Bachelor's and Master's Degrees

The implementation at our university of either of the two pedagogical models proposed, both context 2 and context 3, applicable to university traditionally face-to-face teachings, entails the inevitable remodelling of the correlative training activities, teaching methodologies and assessment systems in our official Bachelor's and Master's degrees, with the logical consequence that the teaching scenario envisaged for the 2020/21 academic year is partially different from the one agreed upon in the verification report approved by the competent official bodies.

In spite of what has been previously said, the 2020/21 academic scenario should be equally assessed in the future by the official competent bodies with regard to the follow-up and accreditation of official university degrees. The ANECA (National Quality Assessment and Accreditation Agency of Spain) and the Autonomous Community of Murcia will audit our Bachelor's and Master's degrees



considering all the creditable period of the degree, including also this phase in which we find ourselves now.

Due to these audits, or of other audits that might be established by the competent official bodies with regard to university, it is necessary that the Direction of the degree elaborates a technical report that collects the concrete solutions adopted by the degree in the application of the Bimodal and the Online models included in this Protocol, and that should be developed at the beginning of the implementation of the concrete educative model involved.

Such technical report will be integrated in the Internal Quality Assurance System (SGIQ) of the degree and it will be a proof in the future follow-up and accreditation processes of official degrees, and it must be structured with the following sections:

B.1) Context 2 - Teaching of university courses under the paradigm of the so-called *Bimodal Teaching*

- 1. Adaptation, in the specific degree, of the face-to-face teaching methodologies to the new Bimodal scenario.
- 2. Adaptation of the assessment systems to bimodal mode.
- Follow-up and assessment of External Internships. Academic planning foreseen for such subject, both in the external internship centre and in UCAM facilities, by indicating, indicating, in the latter case, the training solutions specifically adopted.
- Follow-up and assessment of Undergraduate Dissertations and Master's Theses. Reflection on the compliance of the title with the indications contained in this Protocol regarding this matter.
- 5. Catalogue/offer of extracurricular seminars in online modality.
- Diffusion and publicity of the new virtual methodologies and bimodal assessment criteria. Review and analysis of the official assessment calls published through the Virtual Campus.
- 7. Development of future follow-up and accreditation processes of the official Bachelor's and Master's Degrees. Evidences generated ad hoc that include the decisions adopted by the degree in the process of implementation to the Bimodal teaching modality (minutes of academic management commissions, coordination minutes, faculty minutes, etc...).

B.2) Context 3 - Non face-to-face university teaching

- 1. Adaptation, in the specific degree, of the face-to-face teaching methodologies to the online methodologies
- 2. Adaptation of the assessment systems to online modality.



- 3. Follow-up and assessment of External Internships. Concrete solutions adopted according to the different cases and *Recovery Plan* designed by the degree, where appropriate.
- 4. Follow-up and assessment of Undergraduate Dissertations and Master's Theses. Concrete solutions adopted according to the different cases.
- 5. Catalogue/offer of extracurricular seminars in online modality.
- 6. Diffusion and publicity of the new virtual methodologies and assessment criteria. Review and analysis of the official assessment calls published through the Virtual Campus.
- 7. Development of future follow-up and accreditation processes of the official Bachelor's and Master's Degrees. Evidences generated ad hoc that include the decisions adopted by the degree in the process of adaptation to the online modality (minutes of academic management commissions, coordination minutes, faculty minutes, etc...).

ANNEX I - Specification of the Supervisions Systems for online assessment exams - 2020/21 Academic Year

As established in article 24 of the Assessment Regulation "any test subject to a call must be supervised". The substitution of face-to-face exams with online exams should not entail the renouncement to the right-duty to supervise the development of the exam. Since face-to-face supervision of the exams is impossible, it is substituted by video conference or similar systems.

For the development of online exams, the students need to have an Internet connection and the necessary equipment to access the Virtual Campus and carry out Video conferences with audio and video with the "Video conferencing" tool of the Virtual Campus, by accessing the "Course Room".

Each student must check the correct functioning of his/her technical equipment and, where appropriate, he/she must communicate any incidence to the secretariat of the corresponding degree, at least three days before the assessment exam.

To join the corresponding video conference session of the exam, students who do not have a webcam in their computer can use a mobile phone or a tablet.

The fact that the exam is online does not does not prejudice the duty to comply with the rules and regulations pertaining to an evaluation, set out in Article 25 of the Assessment Regulations. The student who uses illicit behaviours, means or tools during the test, including the wrongful attribution



of identity or authorship, fails the test. In any case, the student can receive a sanction before initiating a disciplinary proceeding, in compliance with the Internal Regulations of the UCAM. In the same way, the students will fulfil any requirement that the teacher may address to them during the exam, for the exam to be carried out correctly.

The use of electronic tools for the online exams exclusively has an academic purpose and it does not imply the violation of any fundamental right or public freedom.

During the exam, the electronic tools used by the University only allow to visualise the face of the person who is carrying out the exam, according to what is being framed by the camera lens. The use of virtual backgrounds is not allowed. Any element that may be seen against the will of the student must be removed from the camera focus by the student himself/herself. The fact of not removing such elements entails the authorisation for their visualisation.

With regard to personal data protection, this protocol is accompanied by the approval of the document on the privacy policy of the UCAM Universidad Católica de Murcia, which is included as Annex II.

Likewise, the content described in ANNEX is included in the assessment call.

Procedure to carry out before and during online assessment tests

To carry out multiple choice exams and short-answers exams, the student must connect to the "Course Room" of the "video conferencing" tool at least 15 minutes before the beginning of the exam, unless the student took a previous test and its conclusion impedes him/her to comply with such requirement.

The teacher can ask the students to show in front of the computer camera a documentary proof of identity (student card, DNI, NIE or passport).

At the start time of the exam, the student will access it through the appropriate tool (exams or assignments) leaving the "video conferencing" tool session open in another tab of the browser, with the microphone and camera active allowing the teacher to view the student's face.

In this case, the exam's supervision will consist of the random viewing of the students taking the test. The video conference sessions regarding identification and monitoring will never be recorded.



For oral exams, in addition to the identification mechanisms described above and the obligation of the student turn on the camera and the microphone, the teacher may record the audio of the exam in order to have evidence of the evaluation. Once the review period has ended and any complaints have been resolved, the recordings will be stored in accordance with the general procedure established by the University.



ANNEX II INFORMATION ON PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION

Processing activity: Virtual Teaching

RESPONSI	FUNDACIÓN UNIVERSITARIA SAN ANTONIO (hereinafter
BLE	UCAM) NIF: G30626303
ENTITY	Domicile Av los Jerónimos, 135 GUADALUPE 30107 Murcia
CONTACT WITH DATA PROTECTI ON OFFICER	DPD@UCAM.EDU
PURPOSE OF THE PROCESSI NG	The purpose of the processing is to support the teaching of online classes to UCAM students, to carry out online assessments, to comply with the teaching guide and to comply with UCAM's assessment regulations. For the exclusive purpose of education, teaching staff may record online classes or video conferences, provided that access is limited to the teaching staff and to the students to whom they are addressed. Oral assessments will be recorded at the discretion of the
	teaching staff to comply with internal regulations. Likewise, some written virtual assessments that highlight the lack of compliance with art. 13.d) Royal Decree 1791/2010, of December 30, by means of which the University Student Statute is approved, may be monitored.
GROUP	Students and Teachers of the Virtual Campus
DATA CATHEGO RY	Name and surname, DNI/NIF/ID document, address, signature, telephone, image, voice, record number.
RECIPIEN TS CATHEGO RY	No data is transferred to any entity, except for legal obligation to comply with the intended purposes
RETENTIO N PERIOD	They will be held for the time necessary to fulfil the purpose for which they were collected and to determine any responsibilities that may arise from that purpose and from the processing of the data. The assessment recordings are only retained during the maximum period of time necessary to deal with any revisions or complaints. And in any case during the minimum time established by the applicable legislation.



SEFETY MEASURE S	The security measures implemented correspond to the ones described in the documents that compose the Data Protection and Information Security Policy of the University Foundation.
LEGAL BASIS	Art. 6.1.E) Processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of public authority conferred to the administrator responsible for processing the personal data Art. 6.1.F) processing is necessary for the purposes of satisfying the legitimate interests pursued by the data controller or by a third party, provided that those interests are not overridden by the interests or fundamental rights and freedoms of the person involved that require the protection of personal data
INTERNAT IONAL TRANSFE R	No international transfer of data is foreseen
RIGHTS	Users may exercise their rights of access, rectification, cancellation, opposition, limitation to the processing of data and the portability of data, by means of a written communication, together with a photocopy of the National ID, to the postal address of the person responsible for the processing or by e-mail to the address dpd@ucam.edu to which a communication must be sent from the account registered in our files.