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1) INTRODUCTION

Balancing a beach feel with the city vibrancy and many flourishing businesses, **Barcelona is the perfect location for any business.** As a major economic power in Spain, Barcelona fosters a large community of innovative entrepreneurs and booming startups. Those that choose to live in Barcelona enjoy a very reasonable cost of living as well as endless opportunities to experience culture, play sports and socialize.

For those wanting to work in hospitality, Barcelona is your professional heaven! Spain as a whole attracts more tourists than any other country in the world aside from France. At the forefront of this bustling tourism industry is the city of Barcelona. Due to its proximity to the beach, its iconic architecture and multiple incredible tourist attractions- millions of tourists come to the city every year.

To accommodate these tourists, the hotel industry in Barcelona has exploded into a multi billion euro industry- members of the hotel industry across the world have flocked to Barcelona in order to take advantage of this budding industry.

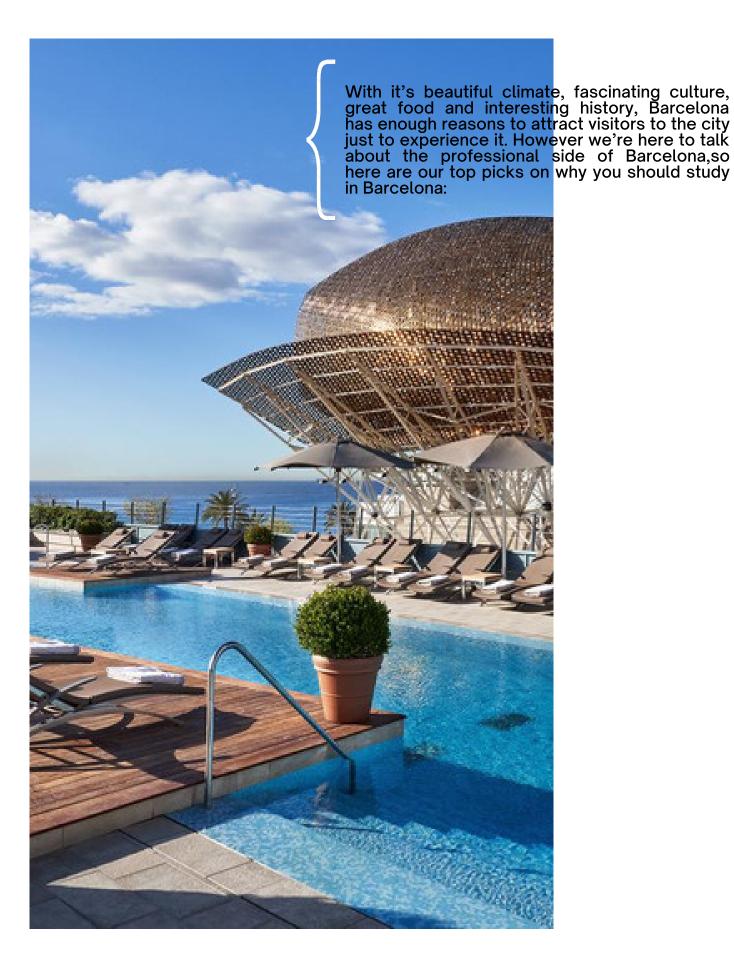
When you start your education in Barcelona, you gain a valuable head start within this booming industry of the city, leading to a more enriching career, impressive qualifications and experience in your cv and all while living in one of the most beautiful cities in the world!

Welcome to Barcelona, Welcome to the first step of the rest of your life



2) REASONS TO STUDY AND WORK IN THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY OF

BARCELONA





1)High quality of education - As a founding member of the EHEA, the Spanish government has set itself to the highest standards expected of European education, and boasts one of the highest populations of international students in the world!

2) Vibrant Hotel industry With how amazing Spain actually is, it should come as no surprise that it attracts a large number of tourists every year. In fact, according to the UN World Tourism Organization, Spain second most visited was the country of 2018, earning 74 billion USD in revenue in the calendar year. With so much money going into it, the tourism industry of Spain is one that requires a lot of workers to maintain and the hotels are always looking towards the domestic universities for their recruitment.

3)Language Currently, Spanish is the second most natively spoken language in the world and the fourth most widelv spoken language overall. With the majority of Latin America speaking Spanish, multiple European countries and even a sizable portion of the USA. Spanish has comfortably secured its position as a titan of business language. Anyone who has Spanish on their resume can expect a huge step up from the rest of the crowd. As the birthplace of this globetrotting language, Spain is the perfect place to learn Spanish! With a language school on almost every corner of the main cities, a friendly population who will forgive your linauistic mistakes neighbourhoods just begging to be explored, you could not ask for a better classroom!

3) WORKING IN BARCELONA-THE BEST HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS IN THE THE CITY

Due to Barcelona's huge concentration of tourists, the city is home to a large number of hotels and restaurants to accommodate this influx. Some of these hotels are on track to be some of the best in the world, here are just some of our picks that you could work in while studying:



MANDARIN ORIENTAL BARCELONA

Mandarin Oriental is considered to be one of the top hotel chains in the world having locations in some of the most fascinating locations in the world.

Mandarin Oriental's Barcelona property is located on Passeig de Gràcia and is one of the city's best loved hotels. Enjoying stunning views over the gardens or the modernist landmark Casa Batlló, they offer a wonderful mix of style and five-star luxury.





COTTON HOUSE, BARCELONA

COTTON-HOUSE

Cotton House is in the former headquarters of the Association of Cotton House Manufacturers. The iconic building is in every way representative of the XIX century, a period which has marked the spirit and culture of Barcelona. The hotel has 83 elegant and comfortable rooms, of which five are spacious suites.

The entrance of the emblematic building is a beautiful vestibule covered in mirrors, followed by a hall which then gives access to two stairways: one, a grand marble staircase, and the other, a spiral staircase built in the 50's that received much acclamation among experts in architecture.

The old noble areas of the building contain an elegant library, several great rooms and lounges where the bar and restaurant are located, a luminous glass conservatory and a 300 sqm terrace with lush vegetation. On the sixth floor there is a serene exterior pool, a small gym and a massage room





HOTEL ARTS BARCELONA

Hotel Arts is one of the most iconic buildings in the entire city, located in walking distance from the beachfront. This hotel is owned and managed by the prestigious brand of Ritz Carlton.

The building itself juts from the beach as a highrise glass and steel building, with its iconic fish structure.

Everything about this property screams luxury and continuously proves itself to uphold its exterior image through its impressive service standards.



Eixample

For those looking for an on-the-go central lifestyle, Eixample is the place for you! Laid out in the form of an efficient grid, Eixample is located at the very center of the city, as such it is the location of some of Barcelona's biggest attractions and bars. Eixample is perfect for those who want to be in the middle of the action at all times and don't mind the noise that goes with it.

Vila de Gracia

For those looking for a sleepier, stylish lifestyle, Vila de Gracia could be right up your alley! Located in the north of the city nestled next to the legendary Park Guell, Vila de Gracia is in the perfect middle ground between the buzzing city center and calmer outskirts. The neighbourhood has a beautiful mix of both old and new buildings and carries a charmingly bohemian vibe.

Horta-Guinardó

Probably the greenest neighbourhood in Barcelona, this neighborhood is perfect for those looking for a quieter, peaceful and natural place to stay. This neighbourhood is perfect for those who want to live a quieter and more peaceful life, just make sure you budget for commuting!

Barri Gothic

The exciting heart of the city, this is perhaps the most well known and historic part of the city. From its winding streets, multiple bars, clubs and restaurants as well as its proximity to some of the greatest landmarks in the city make the famous Gothic Quarter the most exciting of the city. This neighborhood is perfect for those wanting an action-packed party lifestyle during their time in Barcelona.

Throughout Barcelona there are tonnes of great neighbourhoods for each lifestyle and preference, overall, you can find a neighbourhood that will suit you no matter what your style and budget are. See below some of our favourite choices:



While it's important to keep your mind focused on your work, a good career needs to find balance between your professional life and personal enjoyment. As you are visiting one of the most beautiful cities in the world, it's only right that you explore it properly, here are some of our suggestions:

ADMIRE THE VIEW FROM THE MUSEU NACIONAL D'ART DE CATALUNYA

It's nice to watch the sunset from the top of the stairs of the National Art Museum of Catalonia.

A mountain backdrop, gorgeous views, and secret spots free from tourists – yes please!

For those who'd like to visit the museum itself, it's free on Saturday afternoons and the firstSunday of the month.





DISCOVER THE DELIGHTS OF THE GRÀCIA DISTRICT

Gràcia is fairly quiet compared to downtown and can be an extremely rewarding place to wander.

Locals say it's full of eco stores and small specialty shops, and there are many charming streets and squares where you can relax with a drink and a snack.

Plaça del Diamant is the most iconic square in the district.



GET ACTIVE ON THE CARRETERA DE LES AIGÜES

This 10-kilometre trail is the perfect place to walk, run or bike while enjoying beautiful views over Barcelona.

We recommend coming in theevening to enjoy the sunset.



LISTEN TO LIVE MUSIC AT THE JAMBOREE

Barcelona locals agree that, despite being packed with tourists, Plaça Reial is home to one of the city's best live music venues.

The iconic jam Sessions are really enjoyable, they can be pretty laid-back for the first half, but then things start heating up: expect lots of jamming, improvisation, and a stage filled with Musicians!.



ENJOY THE NATURE AT PARC NATURAL DE COLLSEROLA

The Collserola Natural Park is one of the most unknown and underrated green spaces in Spain. Besides being full of historical sights worth discovering, it's one of the best places to enjoy a view over the city at night.

The park is popular among local joggers and cyclists, but it also attracts many nature lovers and people seeking great views.

We recommend visiting it on a windy day or after a rainstorm when the views aren't obscured by pollution.



GET IMPRESSED BY THE FAMOUS SAGRADA FAMILIA

When people think of Barcelona, they usually think of the beach, the Spanish food, the sun and the Sagrada Familia, of course.

It is Barcelona's main attraction, and it captivates over three million visitors every year!

And the emblematic church finally has a completion date — 2026 or 2028, more than 140 years after it was started



By now, I'm sure you are excited to start your career in the historically beautiful beachfront metropolis of Barcelona, however the process isn't as easy as hopping on a plane and starting your life there.

Anyone wanting to uproot their life and start again in Barcelona needs to pass some significant hurdles in order to succeed. Fortunately, Hospitality Academy offers numerous opportunities for you to excel in Barcelona and make it your home for as long as required, here are just 4 of our best features:

JOB ASSISTANCE

Barcelona may be the home to some of the most luxurious and prestigious hotels in the world, but that doesn't mean you can gain a position there simply by being in the city.

Fortunately, through our partnerships, we have exclusive links to some of the top hotels within the greater area of Barcelona and Spain.

Meaning you will be able to obtain paid work while pursuing your studies and if you are worried about timing the two.

VISA ASSISTANCE

While Europe is a haven for anyone wanting to pursue a prestigious education or gain a valued experience, one of the biggest hurdles for many trying to achieve this is the visa.

While it has always been difficult to obtain a valid visa for Europe, in recent years it has gotten to be even harder. Fortunately, we are able to assist you in acquiring the study and internship visa, this will allow you to both study, and partake in paid internships and jobs related to your field of study.

HOW BARCELONA HOSPITALITY ACADEMY CAN ASSIST YOU?

ACCREDITED MBA

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ASSISTANCE WITH FURTHER CAREER DEVELOPMENT POST-PROGRAM

understand that professional aspirations do not end at the school, in fact this post-education period is where majority of your professional development will occur. Fortunately, through our program you will be able to pursue a 12 month work experience in Barcelona, under the same visa, after their program has ceased. In some cases you can even pursue a separate visa to extend your stay further. Whether you decide to stay in Barcelona or take your career elsewhere, Hospitality Academy will be able to assist you!



