

# Master in PHOTONICS BCN

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# Optics & Photonics – what does this field cover?

A traditional area of science and technology evolving very fast, that has become one of the most relevant branches of Science & Technology of the XXI<sup>th</sup> Century.

- Classical optics
- Imaging and vision
- Optical sensors and light sources
- Optoelectronics, optomechanics → Integrated photonics
- Optical communications

- High power lasers
- Materials processing
- New materials and devices: nanophotonics, plasmonics, photonic crystals, metamaterials,...
- Energy, environment: lighting, solar panels,...
- Quantum optics and technology, quantum information,
- Biophotonics & medicine
- Optogenetics
- .....

## HIGHLY MULTIDISCIPLINARY

- Optics
- Engineering
- Material science
- Chemistry
- Micro and Nanotechnology
- Telecommunications
- Biology
- Medicine
- Art and heritage



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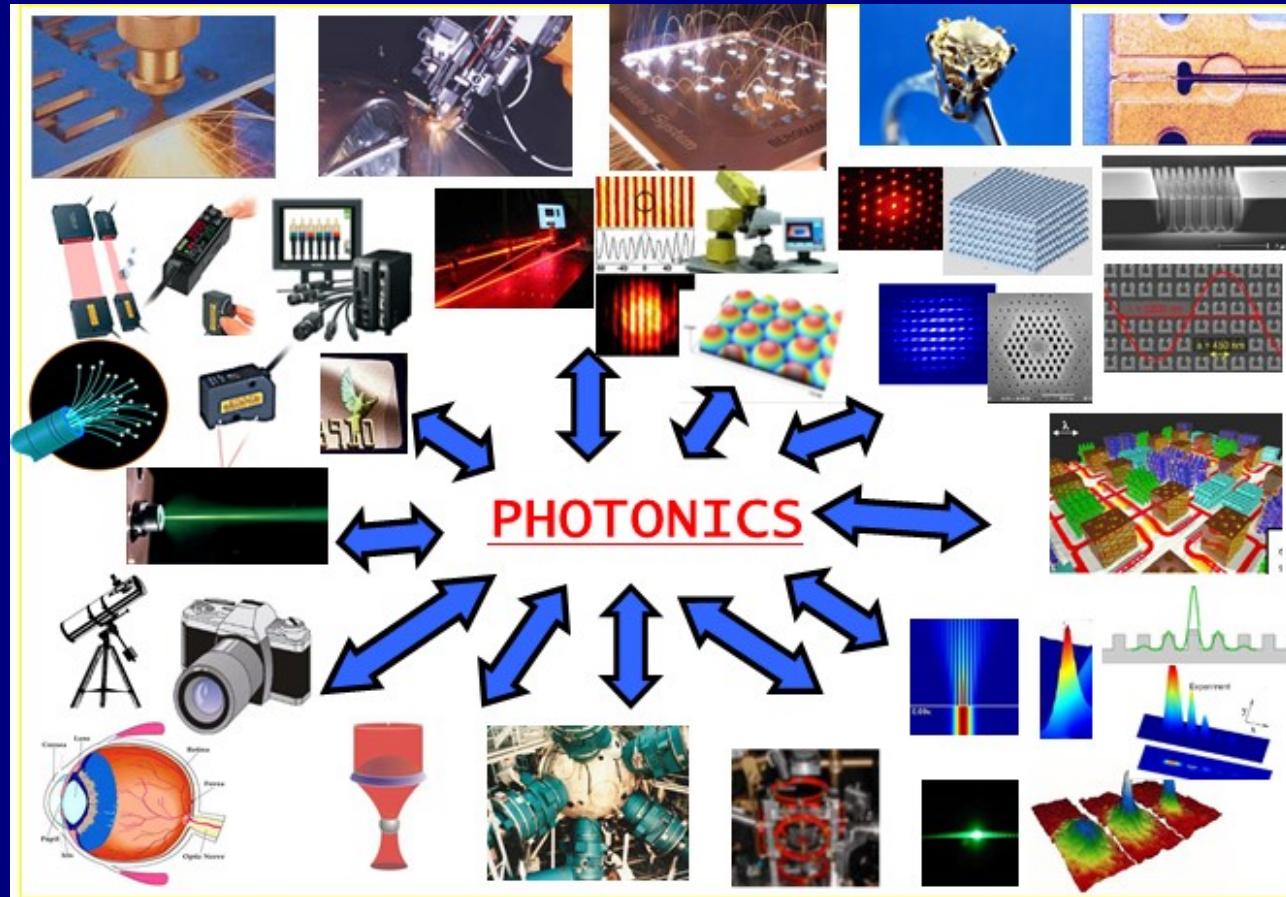


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**Photonics** finds nowadays applications in a very broad scientific and technological fields:



**Photonics** is the revolution of the 21<sup>st</sup> century and together with **electronics**, **chemistry** and **material science** makes possible most of the technological applications sustaining our day by day life.

# Optics & Photonics

- 2010: EU selects Photonics as one of the five KET (“Key-Enabling Technologies”)
- **2020: EU renew the KET list keeping Photonics as one of them.**
- 2013: USA: National Photonics Initiative – “Optics and Photonics. Essential technologies for our nation” (2012)
- 2015: China: “Laser World of Photonics” trade fair, held in China for the 1<sup>st</sup> time.
- 2015: International Year of Light, and of technologies based on light
- .....

**XXI century:** - 9 Nobel Prize in Physics  
- 2 Nobel Prize in Chemistry } related to PHOTONICS



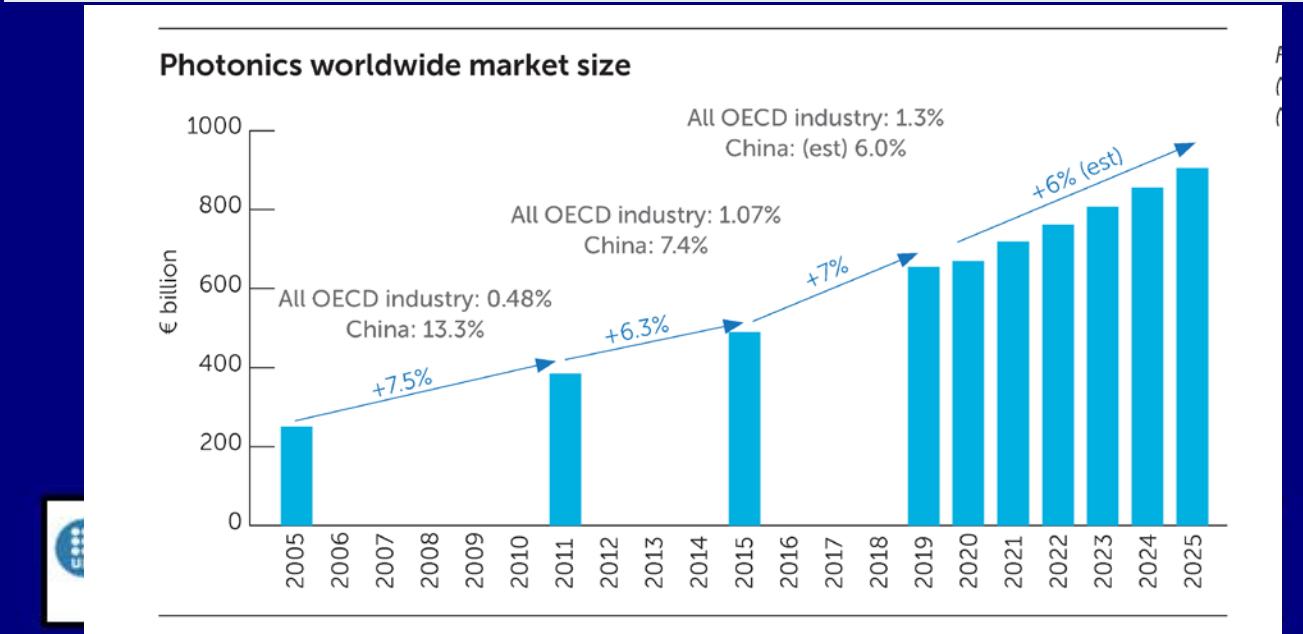
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# Functions that can be accomplished with photons

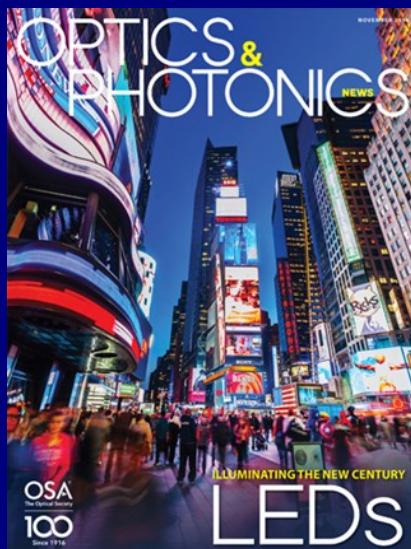
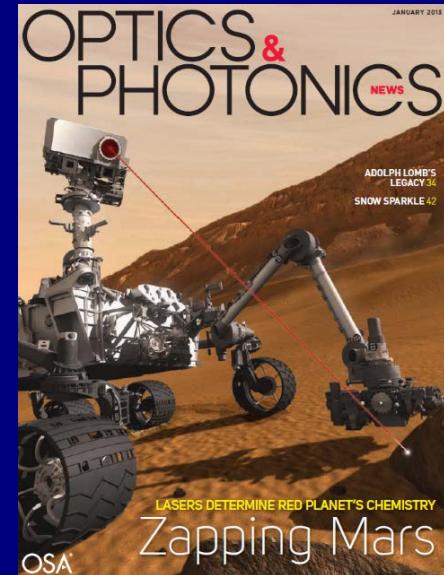
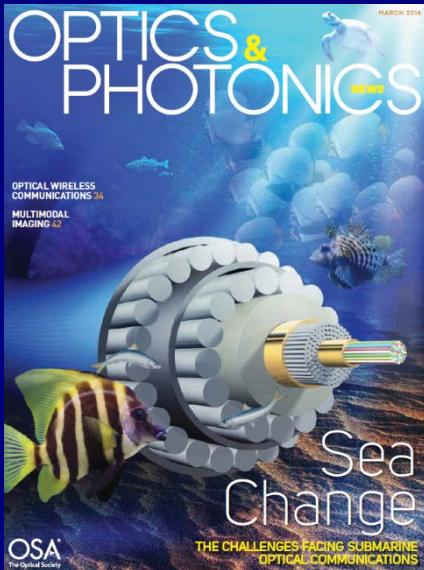
(source: "Market Data and Industry Report 2020 " Photonics 21)

Types of Photonic Systems	Sensors & instruments	Camera & imaging systems	Communication systems	Screens, displays, projectors	LED, OLED, smart lighting	Photovoltaic systems	Laser & production systems
Photonic functions	Measure monitor	Acquire information	Transmit information	Deliver information	Provide light	Collect energy	Manufacture
Examples							

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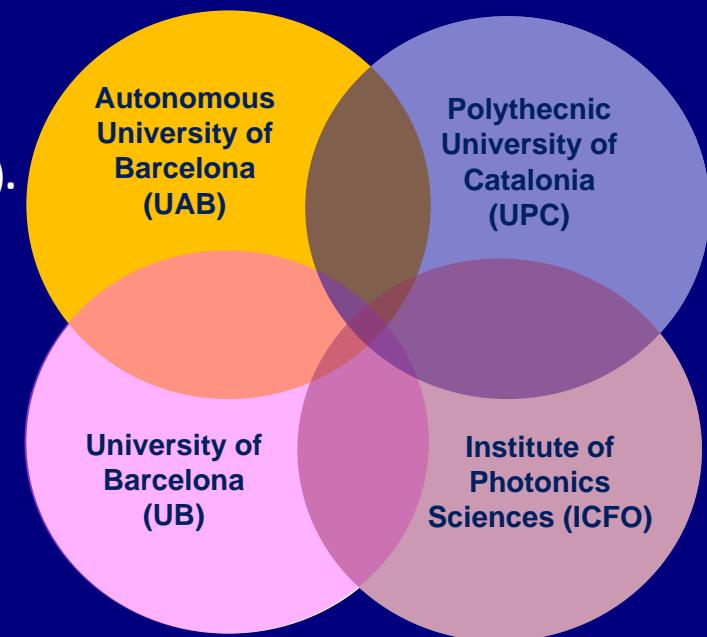


# Optics & Photonics



# MSc Photonics – “PHOTONICS BCN”

- 15 years ago, researchers covering different fields of Photonics in Barcelona area (**UPC**, **UAB** and **UB**) and in the Institute of Photonic Science (**ICFO**), decided to put together their complementary expertise to offer a joint Master in Photonics.
- Initiative and close collaboration between the four partner institutions: a larger number of photonic areas are covered
- The program started in 2007 – we are running the 16<sup>th</sup> edition
- Official 60 ECTS (1 year) Spanish Degree.
- More than 50 professors & researchers
- All courses are taught in English.
- Tax/year: €2,766 (€4,149 for non-EU residents).



**Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya (UPC)**



**Universitat Autonòma de Barcelona (UB)**



**Universitat de Barcelona (UB)**



**ICFO – The Institute of Photonic Sciences**



## **PROFESSORS: more than 60**

**Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya (23 professors)**

**Department of Optics & Optometry**

**Department of Physics**

**Department of Signal Theory and Communications**

**Department of Electronics Engineering**

**Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (10 professors)**

**Department of Physics, Optics Group**

**Department of Physics, Quantum Information Group**

**Universitat de Barcelona (12 professors)**

**Department of Applied Physics and Optics**

**Department of Electronics and Biomedical Engineering**

**Department of Quantum Physics and Astrophysics**

**Institut de Ciències Fotòniques (ICFO) (17 group leaders)**



- Optical engineering: sensors, vision, metrology, opt. design, adaptive optics, color science
- Image processing, liquid crystal, machine vision
- Nonlinear optics and dynamics
- Nanomaterials, Remote sensing
- Optical Fiber Communications & networks
- Integrated photonics

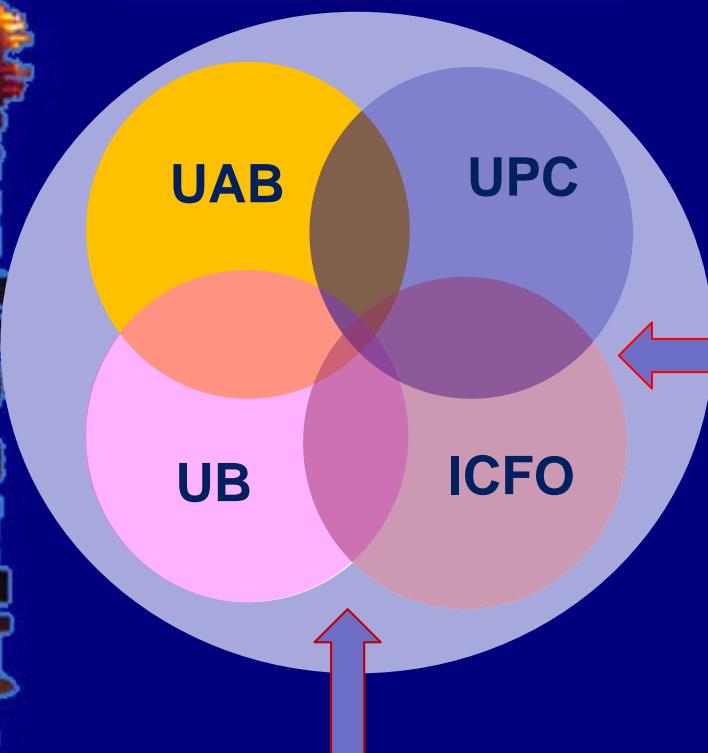
- Applied optics: image proc., diffractive optics
- Thin films
- Optical tweezers
- Optoelectronics devices, CMOS
- Quantum information

- Quantum & Nonlinear Optics, Quantum information
- Image processing, diffractive optics, metrology.
- Synchrotron light, X-ray optics
- Thin films, multilayers.

- Nanophotonics
- Advanced optical imaging
- Quantum & atom optics
- Nonlinear optics & devices, ultrafast light
- Biophotonics, optical tweezers
- Photonic materials

# Masters in Photonics “PHOTONICS BCN” & Master Erasmus+ “EUROPHOTONICS”

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Erasmus Mobility Scheme

Karlsruhe Institute of Technology GERMANY

Tampere Univ. FINLAND

Univ. Aix Marseille FRANCE

Vilnius Univ. LITHUANIA

UPC, UAB, UB & ICFO Barcelona SPAIN

Erasmus Mundus EuroPhotonics  
(2 years): multiple degree



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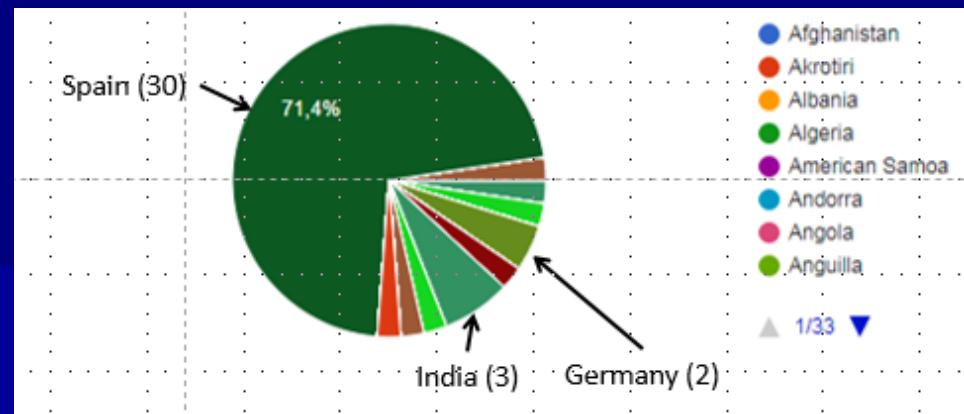
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# Multidisciplinarity

ADDRESSED TO:

Academic year	Master in Photonics	Europhotonics	Erasmus Mobility	Total
2011-12	26	18	2	46
2012-13	26	5	6	37
2013-14	27	5	4	36
2014-15	23	7	4	34
2015-16	29	4	4	37
2016-17	28	5	14	46
2017-18	26	6	14	46
2018-19	26	2	9	37
2019-20	27	1	5	33
2020-21	26	7	5	34
2021-22	30+5	7	7	49
<b>2022-23</b>	<b>27+4</b>	<b>3+1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>42</b>



# Masters in Photonics – “Photonics BCN”

## OBJECTIVES:

- Provide knowledge and training in different areas of Photonics, considering both fundamental and applied aspects.
- Flexibility: the student can choose from many elective courses, to get either general training, or more specialized training in different possible areas.
- Develop competences and skills that will help the student to initiate a research or a professional carrier.
- Prepare you for: a **PhD thesis** or to work in a **company**. It fosters entrepreneurial skills to conduct own initiatives.



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## Compulsory courses

20 ECTS

### Fundamentals of Photonics

10 ECTS

- Introduction to photonics. Optics and Lasers
- Beam Propagation and Fourier Optics

5 ECTS

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### Applied Photonics & Transversal Skills

10 ECTS

- Photonics Laboratory
- Business and Patents in Photonics

5 ECTS

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## Elective Courses

24 ECTS

### Quantum Optics (QUANTOP)

21 ECTS

### Biophotonics and Imaging (BIOIMA)

15 ECTS

### Materials and Nanophotonics (MATNANO)

21 ECTS

### Optical Engineering (OPTENG)

15 ECTS

### Telecomm. & Photonics Circuits (TELPHO)

9 ECTS

### Master Thesis

16 ECTS

Total: 60 ECTS

## Quantum Optics

21 ECTS

Quantum optics	3
From cooling & trapping of neutral atoms to BE condensates	3
Quantum simulators with ultracold quantum gases	3
Quantum light-matter interfaces: modern systems and applications	3
Advanced quantum optics with applications	3
Machine learning on classical and quantum data	3
Qubit applications	3

## Materials and Nanophotonics

21 ECTS

Photonic materials and metamaterials	3
Nonlinear optics	3
Nanophotonics	3
Ultrafast and ultraintense laser light	3
Optoelectronics and photovoltaic technology	3
Integrated photonics	3
Semiconductor photonics: applications and technology	3



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## Optical Engineering

15 ECTS

Laser systems and applications	3
Optical design	3
Managing light with devices	3
Measuring with light (optical metrology)	3
Fibers and telecommunications	3

## Biophotonics and Imaging

15 ECTS

Experimental optical techniques in biology	3
Active and spectral imaging	3
Visual optics and biophotonics	3
Image processing in biophotonics	3
3D light control for biological applications	3

## Telecomm. & Photonics Circuits (TELPHO)

9 ECTS

Fibers and telecommunications	3
Integrated photonics	3
Optoelectronics and photovoltaic technology	3



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## Business and Patents in Photonics

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- provide fundamental entrepreneurial skills required to successfully start and develop a technology based business,
- learn how to develop a project in a large company environment.
- incite business awareness and to explore the hard and fascinating way leading from cutting-edge research to the marketplace.



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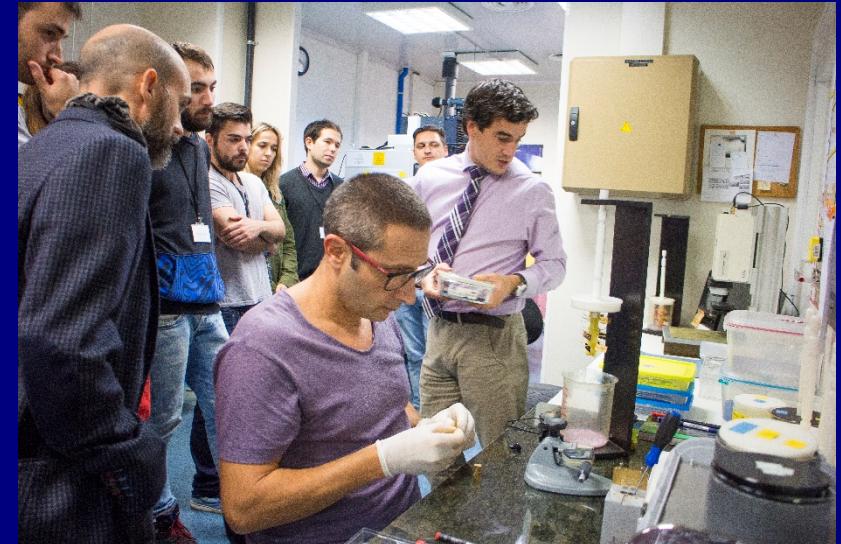
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- Many opportunities to start your scientific research (fundamental or applied), in different areas of Photonics in a research lab or in a company.
- **More than 50 project proposals every year** (see list of proposals for 2021\_2022 at: <https://photonics.masters.upc.edu/en/list-of-proposals-2021-22>).
- Possibility to undergrowth your Master Thesis in an external research center, university o company;
- Erasmus mobility for the Master Thesis.
  
- **Members of SECPhO:** contact with companies (<https://www.secpho.org>)



# SPECIAL FEATURES

- **TRANSVERSAL or COMPLEMENTARY skills:** seminars + “Business and Patents in Photonics” allows contacts with professionals with high responsibility in companies, and fosters entrepreneurial and communication skills
- **Activity weeks:** visits to labs. or companies, presentations, simulations, experiments,...



# SPECIAL FEATURES



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# Calendar

- from **September 12<sup>th</sup>** to **October 10<sup>th</sup>** only core courses;
- from **October 10<sup>th</sup>** to **April 21<sup>st</sup>** core and elective courses organized in  
**3 teaching blocks:** 6 weeks + 1 week exams + 1 week activities
  - **Block 1:** October 10<sup>th</sup> to December 5<sup>th</sup>
  - **Block 2:** December 12<sup>th</sup> to February 17<sup>th</sup>
  - **Block 3:** February 20<sup>th</sup> to April 21<sup>st</sup>
- from **April 24<sup>th</sup>** full time Master Thesis
- Two presentation date options: July or beginning of September



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# Careers in Photonics

Very broad, given the interdisciplinary character and increasing relevance of photonics:

- **PhD in Photonics**, Optics, Physics, Optical Engineering, Nanophotonics, Biophotonics, Telecommunications, Electronics, Imaging, Quantum Information, etc.
  - Joining education and high-level training in the field of photonics
  - R&D and innovation programs in companies, basic or applied research centers or Universities.
- **Consultant / engineer on photonics-related issues;**
- **High-level qualification technical positions for laboratory / technological / medical services** as microscopy, x-ray diffraction, thin films, optical design, etc.
- **Joining (and promoting) spin-off** or other technology-based small companies.



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## All information about:

- Content of each course:

<https://photonics.masters.upc.edu/en/curriculum-2022-23>

- Timetable for the academic year 2022\_2023:

[https://photonics.masters.upc.edu/en/shared/contents/academic\\_year\\_2022-23/timetable\\_2022-23.pdf](https://photonics.masters.upc.edu/en/shared/contents/academic_year_2022-23/timetable_2022-23.pdf)

- Master Thesis proposals for the academic year 2022\_23

<https://photonics.masters.upc.edu/en/list-of-proposals-2022-23>

- CV of the professors:

<https://photonics.masters.upc.edu/en/academic-staff-list>

- PhD and job advertisements:

<https://photonics.masters.upc.edu/en/job-offers>



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**Master in Photonics** ranked with the maximum evaluation “**EXCELENCE**” in the last two evaluations.



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