

*The aim of education should  
be to teach us HOW to think,  
rather than WHAT to think.*

# BIRCHAM INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY



Welcome

Bienvenido

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Bem-vindo

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**FULL DISTANCE LEARNING**

**UNIVERSITY DEGREES:**

- \* BACHELOR'S
- \* MASTER'S
- \* DOCTORATE (PH.D.)

**PROFESSIONAL DIPLOMA:**

- \* SPECIALIST
- \* EXPERT

**CORPORATE TRAINING**



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# WELCOME TO OUR DISTANCE LEARNING UNIVERSITY

*Enrolling at BIU  
is an important decision.*

Bircham International University is a private independent institution of higher education that offers degree programs at professional, undergraduate and graduate levels through sound updated curricula and an innovative distance learning method of instruction. Our commitment is to fulfill the needs of the adult professional student. BIU is simultaneously registered in the USA (Delaware), the European Union (Spain) & the Commonwealth (Bahamas). BIU degrees can therefore be issued and legalized in any of these countries.

*Higher education  
for adults from all  
countries.*



*An alternative to  
the traditional  
campus university.*



*We can help you  
achieve your personal  
and professional goals.*

## ***Who is BIU for?***

Distance education is not for everyone, or for all purposes. It is meant for busy working professionals. BIU offers an alternative to higher education to adults from all countries and cultures who choose not to attend a traditional on-campus university or who cannot find a program of study that meets their specialization requirements. A university education is a lifetime asset.

## ***What is the validity of BIU degree programs?***

BIU degrees are valid for many purposes but not for all. Acceptance of students or graduates is always the prerogative of the receiving institution or employer. BIU degrees can be internationally legalized with The Hague Apostille Certificate or Consulate Legalization (for non-Hague signatory countries) for their use and validation in many countries. More information is displayed in the recognition section of the BIU web.

## ***What is the academic quality of BIU degree programs?***

BIU degree programs merge the best of the two leading higher education systems of the world: Europe and the United States of America. It follows the current higher education guidelines set forth by the European Union (European Credit Transfer System [ECTS]) as well as the USA (Generally Accepted Accrediting Practices [GAAP]). All BIU degrees are signed by a Doctor from a formal traditional university, the President and Registrar of the University. The BIU degree and transcript do not specify distance learning.

## ***What is the cost of the program?***

**Payment plans are available upon request up to 24 monthly installments.**

The final cost depends on the amount of credits transferred (20 Euros o 25US\$ per credit) and credits required to be earned at BIU (70 Euros o 90US\$ per credit). BIU can not provide the final budget of your degree program without processing the application for admission. The tuition fee includes all: program of study, textbooks, student ID card, study guide, tutorials, assessment, diploma and transcript.

**FEES RANGE FROM 500\$ (Courses) to maximum 9000\$ (Doctorate)**

## ***Are BIU degrees recognized and accredited?***

BIU is a provider of non-formal or non-traditional education. Non-formal education programs do not follow the contents and requirements established by a Ministry of Education, thus BIU non-formal education programs cannot lead to degrees officially recognized by a Ministry of Education. BIU activity is approved under section 932.2 (Ministry of Economy of Spain) and monitored by the Spain Ministry of Consumer Affairs (Decreto 84/2004 de 13 de Mayo (Enseñanza General)).

The process of accreditation is non-governmental and represent a voluntary and self-regulation process to ensure the academic quality of educational institutions. There are no worldwide accreditation standards. Accreditation is not equivalent to legality or recognition. BIU is accredited, recognized or member of several international bodies and meets the quality standards of such organizations in different countries.



# HOW DO YOU STUDY AT BIRCHAM UNIVERSITY

*If you have questions, contact us or visit our website.  
If you want to know more about BIU or any program...*



*Please ASK.*

*We are just a phone call  
or an email away*

**Enroll any time of the year  
and from anywhere in the world.**

- \* Over 180 degree programs in several languages.
- \* Completed entirely by correspondence.
- \* Credit for prior learning and experience.
- \* Payment plans available upon request.
- \* No interference with your professional life.

## **1 APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION**

*Tell us = What do you want to study?*

*Your previous education and experience.*

## **2 BIU ADMISSION CERTIFICATE**

*We answer = How many credits are  
required to complete the BIU degree  
program and the cost.*

**ENROLL = BOOKS & ASSIGNMENTS**

*Payment plans... up to 24 installments.*

## **3 Books are included in the tuition.**

## **4 TUTORING & STUDY GUIDE**

*BIU provides instructions on how to  
complete the required academic work.*

## **5 YOU SUBMIT REPORTS (EXAMS)**

*Required reports are written at home  
without the stress of  
traditional exams.*

## **6 BIU SENDS EVALUATION RESULTS**

*How far do you want to go?*

*A sound education  
may take you anywhere*

## **7 YOU EARN YOUR DEGREE**

*BIU will ship the degree and  
transcript to your address after  
completion of the degree program  
reports and thesis (if required).*

## ***How is the BIU study system?***

You study from home or anywhere you wish. You do not need to attend any examination center. Once BIU determines the courses that you have to study, you will get the corresponding textbooks by post. You have to read those texts and write some reports according to the instructions provided. The number of textbooks and reports assigned is different for each student and curriculum. These requirements are set during the admission process. BIU offers a tutoring and guidance system that is explained in the study guide. You may see the list of all academics and instructors at <http://www.bircham.net>.

## ***How may I enroll at BIU?***

The first step is to submit by post or email attachment the application for admission filled out along with the documents about your previous education and experience. Once received BIU will review it and will issue a certificate of admission (one or two weeks) that shows the transferred credits and the courses and credits that you are required to earn at BIU to get your degree. This certificate also shows the final cost of your program. The admission process has a cost of 200€ or 250US\$. If the admission is denied this fee will be refunded.

We thank you for your interest in Bircham International University (BIU). There may be some skepticism about the usefulness of distance education, but degrees earned by distance learning are widely acceptable and in some cases preferred. In fact, adult university education is taking the direction we have already been pioneering. Once you learn about BIU, please feel free to contact us with any questions you may have.

*An investment in education  
always pays the best interest.*

## BIU DEGREES VALIDATION OPTIONS

Bircham International University offers several graduate services in order to enhance the benefits that you may obtain from your education and degree. To order any of these services you must fill out the Graduate Services Order Form and send it by email in PDF format or by fax. These services are managed by the Graduate Services Department located at the BIU Madrid Office.

### GRADUATION DOCUMENTS

Original copies of diploma, transcript and other documents updated to the latest regulations.

### INTERNATIONAL LEGALIZATION

Legalization of your diploma and transcript with the Apostille for all Hague Convention signatory countries or with a Consulate Legalization for other countries.

### VALIDATION OPTIONS

Third party certifications that provide an added value to your education and diploma.

### GRADUATION CEREMONIES

Ceremonies, promotion and pictures of our graduates.

