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University of Granada Library Staff Training Week 2026

From Monday 4 May to Friday 8 May, 2026

As every year, the University of Granada Library (Spain) organizes its Staff Training Week from May 4 to 8, 2026, in collaboration with the Vice-Rector for Internationalization. This initiative is developed within the framework of the Erasmus+ program of the European Commission and the University of Granada's own Internationalization Strategy, and involves the visit and exchange of technical knowledge and professional experience of librarians and archivists from different countries and cultures, with the aim of continuous improvement of all the institutions.

Our Staff Training Week language will be English. Guests should be working as librarians or archivists and speak English.

No registration fee is required. Visitors will have to arrange and pay for their travel expenses, insurance, and accommodation. Lunch will be arranged by the Library at the University canteens from Monday to Thursday.

The training will be conducted by University of Granada's librarians and professors, professionals from other local institutions, and guest visitors.

Participants

In May 2026, we will welcome 23 guests from Angola, Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Kenya, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovenia, and Uruguay.

Information for visitors: @email

Applicants requirements:

- To be working as a librarian or archivist.
- To speak English.

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Application

Application deadline: Friday 30 January, 2026. Admitted participants will be notified in early February.

Should any participant need to justify their application before February 2026, a conditional admission would be issued. However, this previous admission will not be confirmed until the conclusion of the application and selection process.

Preliminary agenda:

This agenda is under construction and subject to change.

Library Staff Training Week: from Monday 4 May to Friday 8 May, 2026.

Official activities: Monday to Thursday, 8:30-16:00 h. Friday, 8:30-12:00 h.

Some activities that will occur after 16:00 h. will be optional.

Our Staff Training Week is constituted by the following activities:

- Presentations or workshops by:
  - Librarians from the University of Granada.
  - Professors from the University of Granada's leading research fields.
  - Visiting participants.
  - One or more students.
- Visits to:
  - Several of the University of Granada's 21 branch libraries.
  - Several relevant cultural institutions in the city, conducted by their own professionals.
- Guided historical tour of the city center.
- Meals:
  - Lunch at the University canteens from Monday to Thursday, which will be free of charge for our visitors.
  - Optional farewell snack on Thursday evening (not free; visitors will be required to contribute their share).

Visitors are welcome to present a topic they are experts in, or a best-practice they have implemented at their home institution.

No institutional presentations by guest visitors will be held. However, visitors are welcome to send us presentations about their universities in PDF format, which will be uploaded to a shared drive.

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Almost all activities will be conducted in English. However, some workshops or visits will be conducted in Spanish with English translation.

Previous years feedback

- It was a formative and enriching experience on a human as well as professional level.
- I enjoyed the warm welcome and the opportunity to get to know colleagues from different countries.
- Great program with various topics, company of great colleagues, caring organizers, library visits, beautiful university buildings, optional program (especially visiting Fundación Rodríguez-Acosta), city of Granada.
- The whole experience in Granada Library was more than I expected. The organizing team did a very good job and the people that they chose from the University to speak to us and share their knowledge were unique and professionals. I left full of new knowledge in the Library field but also in the culture of Granada city.
- All the staff we met was passionate and it makes me proud to be a librarian by meeting people that love their work like me.
- Thank you so much for the hospitality from the library team, organizers, and coordinators for the great job. And thank you for the opportunity to share experiences and culture. That was very encouraging and inspiring, and also mind blogging. It was an experience being in Granada University, especially learning about its historical background.

Hospital Real Library: Heritage documents from/about visitors' countries/cultures. Staff Training Week, May 2025.



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