

BOEL, 24th June 2020

Instruction from the Vice-President of Studies at the Universidad Carlos III de Madrid which adopts additional measures in regard to End of Studies Theses

The President of the Universidad Carlos III de Madrid's Decision, of the 17th May 2020, which establishes measures for the progressive activity resumption on the University Campus states that teaching activity will continue to be carried out in accordance with the Vice-President of Studies' Instructions of the 16th March and the 15th April 2020 and in accordance with other instructions that may be issued subsequently in this regard.

Once the state of alarm ended, the Community of Madrid issued the Order 668/2020, of the 19th June, from the Ministry of Health, which establishes preventative measures to deal with the health crisis caused by COVID-19.

The forty-first paragraph of this Order stipulates, in regard to university teaching activity, maintaining all programmed activities aimed at obtaining official degrees in a digital manner. However, in exceptional cases, these activities whose nature do not allow the use of a digital format, may be carried out on-site, maintaining an interpersonal distance of, at least, 1.5 metres. Masks will be mandatory if these interpersonal distances cannot be maintained.

In view of the nature and conditions that were defined for some End of Studies Theses before the state of alarm was established, which require the physical presence of students in order to be completed correctly, and considering that this presence does not involve any particular health risks, specific additional measures must be adopted for these theses to be completed successfully.

In accordance with the delegation conferred to this Vice-President in the second paragraph of the aforementioned President's Decision of the 17th May 2020, the following instructions are issued

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INSTRUCTIONS:

One. - University students may carry out on-site activities for their End of Studies Theses at companies and other institutions, provided that they agree to and guarantee their compliance with the health regulation and protection of work-related risks that are in force, in particular the recommendations provided in the "Best Practice in the Work Place Guide" adopted by the Ministry of Health.

Two. - Students may access University facilities and laboratories in order to carry out experiments related to their End of Studies Theses aimed at properly completing them.

To this effect, End of Studies Theses tutors must inform the School Director or Faculty Dean that students will be accessing University facilities and laboratories, indicating the person responsible for this action in the corresponding facility and/or laboratory, at least 48 hours before.

Tutors, students and those responsible for the facility or laboratory shall be responsible for complying with health and safety measures established in the aforementioned regulation and in the President's Decision of the 17th May 2020.

The Director or Dean shall coordinate the people involved and may restrict, limit, or postpone the suggested activity, if the number of people expected at these facilities will exceed the maximum number permitted by the regulation in force and/or to avoid non-compliance with health measures.

Three. - This instruction shall come into effect on the day of its publication in the Official Electronic University Gazette.

Getafe Campus, on the date of

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THE VICE-PRESIDENT OF STUDIES

Signed María Isabel Gutiérrez Calderón

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