

*SINGLE ACCREDITATION OF JOINT PROGRAMMES –
TURNING BOLOGNA GUIDELINE INTO REALITY*

Accreditation practices of joint programmes around European Joint Master's programme in Strategic Border Management

SPANISH CONTEXT

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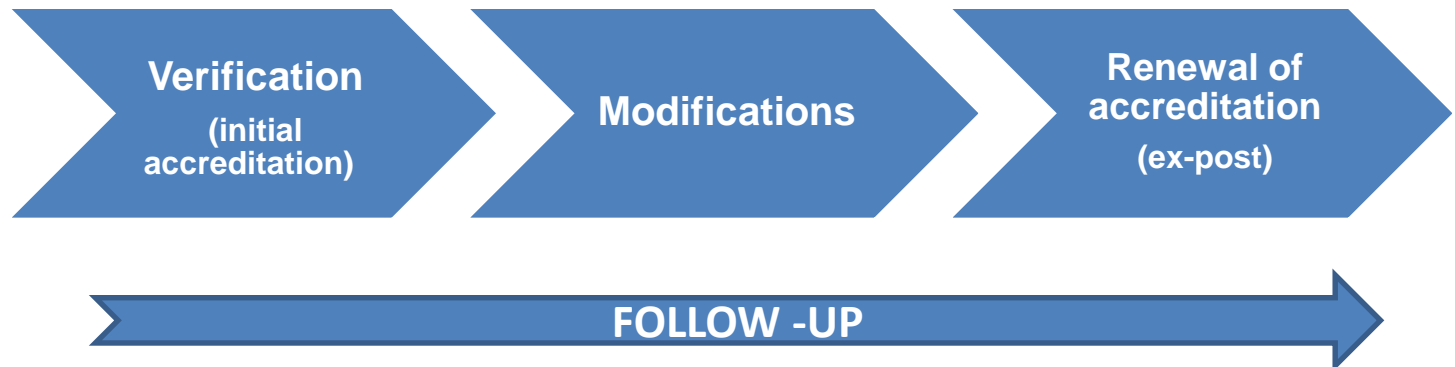
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SPANISH REGULATION

Royal Decree 1393/2007, governing the planning of official education:

ALL PROGRAMMES MUST APPLY FOR ACCREDITATION:



SPANISH REGULATION

Royal Decree 1393/2007, governing the planning of official education:

VERIFICATION (initial accreditation)

1. Universities must apply for the recognition of a programme as “official” to the Spanish University Council.
2. The programme is evaluated by an accredited agency.
3. The programme is authorized by the Autonomous Region.
4. Spanish Government recognizes the programme as official and it is entered in RUCT (Register of Universities, Centres and Programmes).
5. Publication of the study programme.

SPANISH REGULATION

Royal Decree 1393/2007, governing the planning of official education:

MODIFICATIONS

1. Universities must apply modifications about an official programme to the Spanish University Council.
2. The programme is evaluated by an accredited agency.
3. Authorized by the Autonomous Region (Castilla y León. Regional Legislation).
4. Communication of the assessment result to the Government.
5. Modifications are entered in the RUCT.

SPANISH REGULATION

Royal Decree 1393/2007, governing the planning of official education:

RENEWAL OF ACCREDITATION

1. Universities must renew the accreditation of their programmes after 8/4 years.
2. Application to the Autonomous Region.
3. Evaluation of the programme.
4. Communication of the assessment result.
5. The Spanish University Council decides.
6. Renewal of the accreditation is entered in the RUCT.

SPANISH REGULATION

Royal Decree 1393/2007, governing the planning of official education:

JOINT PROGRAMMES.

One study programme designed by two or more HEIs, Spanish or foreign, that have signed a collaboration agreement and that they have submitted a single application for verification (initial accreditation).

The diploma awarded is issued as “*Master in xxx by University A, B and C*”

SPANISH REGULATION

Royal Decree 1393/2007, governing the planning of official education:

JOINT PROGRAMMES.

Requirements:

- ❖ Agreement between institutions.
- ❖ Study Programm.
- ❖ If foreign higher education institutions: accreditation of a recognition by competent authorities.
- ❖ Apply for Verification (initial accreditation)

REGIONAL SITUATION

JOINT PROGRAMMES.

- ❖ **Decree 64/2013**, *Regulating official university degrees in Castilla y León (Bachelor and Master)*
 - ❖ Authorization of every programme that involves any University from the Region
 - ❖ Modifications: the agreement and an economic report assessing the effects of the modification.

- ❖ **553 programmes** (*Bachelor, Master and PHD*)
 - ❖ 64 joint programmes
 - ❖ 37 coordinated by Universities of Castilla y León
 - ❖ 27 involving Universities of Castilla y León
 - ❖ 9 involving foreign HEIs: 8 coordinated by Universities of Castilla y León, 1 FRONTEX.

EUROPEAN APPROACH - SPANISH REGULATION

- ❖ *Programme accreditation /institutional accreditation*
- ❖ *Accredited agencies against ESG*
- ❖ *Bureaucracy*
- ❖ *Need of submitting for the verification programmes in Spain to achieve official recognition by a Spanish agency.*
- ❖ *Programmes of 240 ECTS (so far in Castilla y León)*
- ❖ *Periodicity of the Accreditation: before 4 years in the case of Masters and before 6 in the case of Bachelors of 240 ECTS.*
- ❖ *Modification procedure (not included in the approach)*
- ❖ *Specific criteria . Database*

CONCLUSION

- ***More work in Spain to be done about how to accept the evaluations issued by other institutions following the approach due to Spanish legislation.***
- ***European Approach a good framework***

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THANK YOU

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