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Could IB students study in a public/state University in Spain, without taking the National Entering Exam?

The case of UC3M in Madrid

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Structure of the presentation

- Comparing International University Models:

  UK versus SPAIN (public/state Universities)

- Key policies to get rid of the barriers for international students to enter a public/state university in Spain (UC3M)
- High quality education model and international mobility
- Opening the door for IB students to enter a public/state University in Madrid (UC3M)

Two models of internationalization

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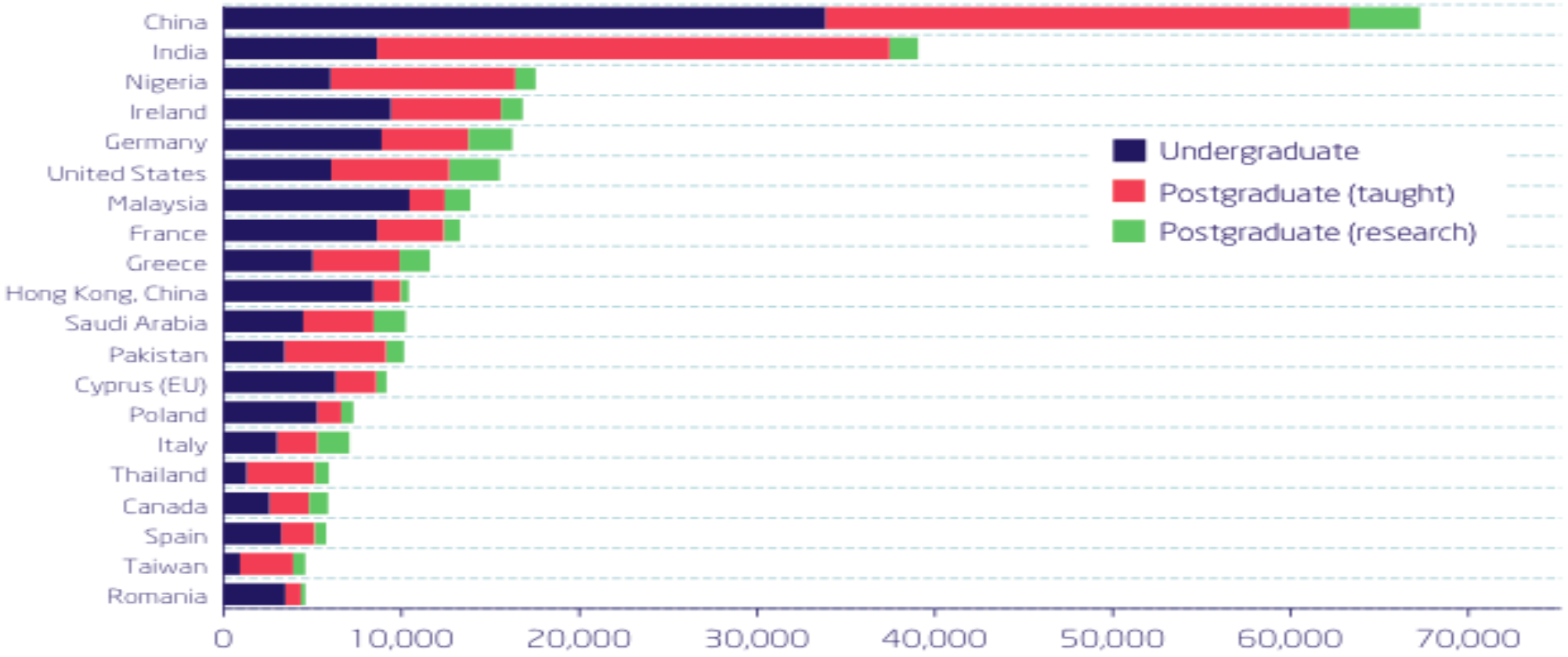
Top 20 countries of origin for non-UK students at UK higher education institutions, by level of study, 2010-11



Source: HESA (2012) Students

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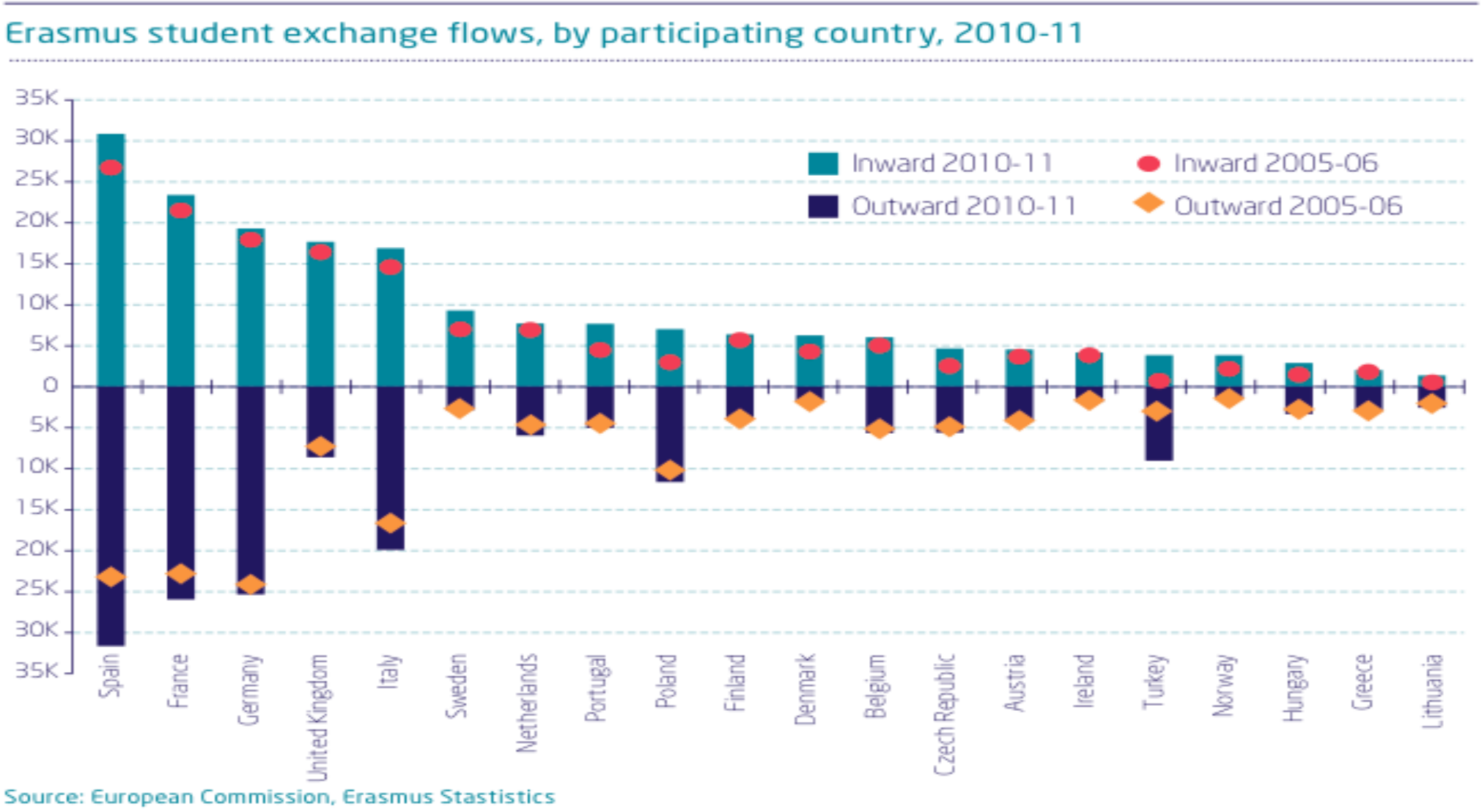

Two models of internationalization

UK

1.1) LOW bilateral international mobility (ERASMUS and Non European)

1.2) HIGH attraction of international degree seeking students (study the full undergraduate degrees).

SPAIN (public/state Universities)

2.1) HIGH bilateral international mobility (ERASMUS and Non European)

2.2) LOW attraction of international degree seeking students.

Key UC3M policies for attracting international students at UC3M

Key policies of UC3M for attracting international students

1. Degrees offered in English and/or Bilingual (27/40)
2. Faculty with Ph.D degrees from the best universities of the USA, EU, Canada, etc.
3. Bilingual STAFF (Spanish/English)
4. Attract good students that wants to be fluent in two languages (Spanish and English) and wants to participate in international mobility, from 6 months to 2 years, at an affordable price.

A Public/State University of High Quality in Spain

What is the aim of UC3M?

- Provide high quality international education
- Offer Degrees in English or bilingual programs (50%English/50%Spanish)
- Possibility to study in Spain at an affordable price around (7.000€/per year)

Wide offer of Bachelor's Degree taught in English

SOCIAL SCIENCES, LAW & HUMANITIES

- BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
- POLITICAL SCIENCE
- FILM, TELEVISION AND MEDIA STUDIES
- INTERNATIONAL STUDIES
- LAW
- ECONOMICS
- STATISTICS AND BUSINESS
- FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING
- LIBRARY AND INFORMATION
- JOURNALISM
- EMPLOYMENT AND LABOUR RELATIONS
- SOCIOLOGY
- TOURISM
- HUMANITIES
- OPEN BA PROGRAM
- PHILOSOPHY, POLITICS & ECONOMICS

ENGINEERING

- AEROSPACE
- AUDIOVISUAL SYSTEM
- BIOMEDICAL
- COMMUNICATION SYSTEM
- ELECTRICAL POWER
- INDUSTRIAL ELECTRONICS AND AUTOMATION
- TELECOMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES
- INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGIES
- COMPUTER SCIENCE
- MECHANICAL
- TELEMATICS
- OPEN BA PROGRAM

DUAL BACHELORS

- POLITICAL SCIENCE AND SOCIOLOGY
- BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND LAW
- POLITICAL SCIENCE AND LAW
- ECONOMICS AND LAW
- COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING AND BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
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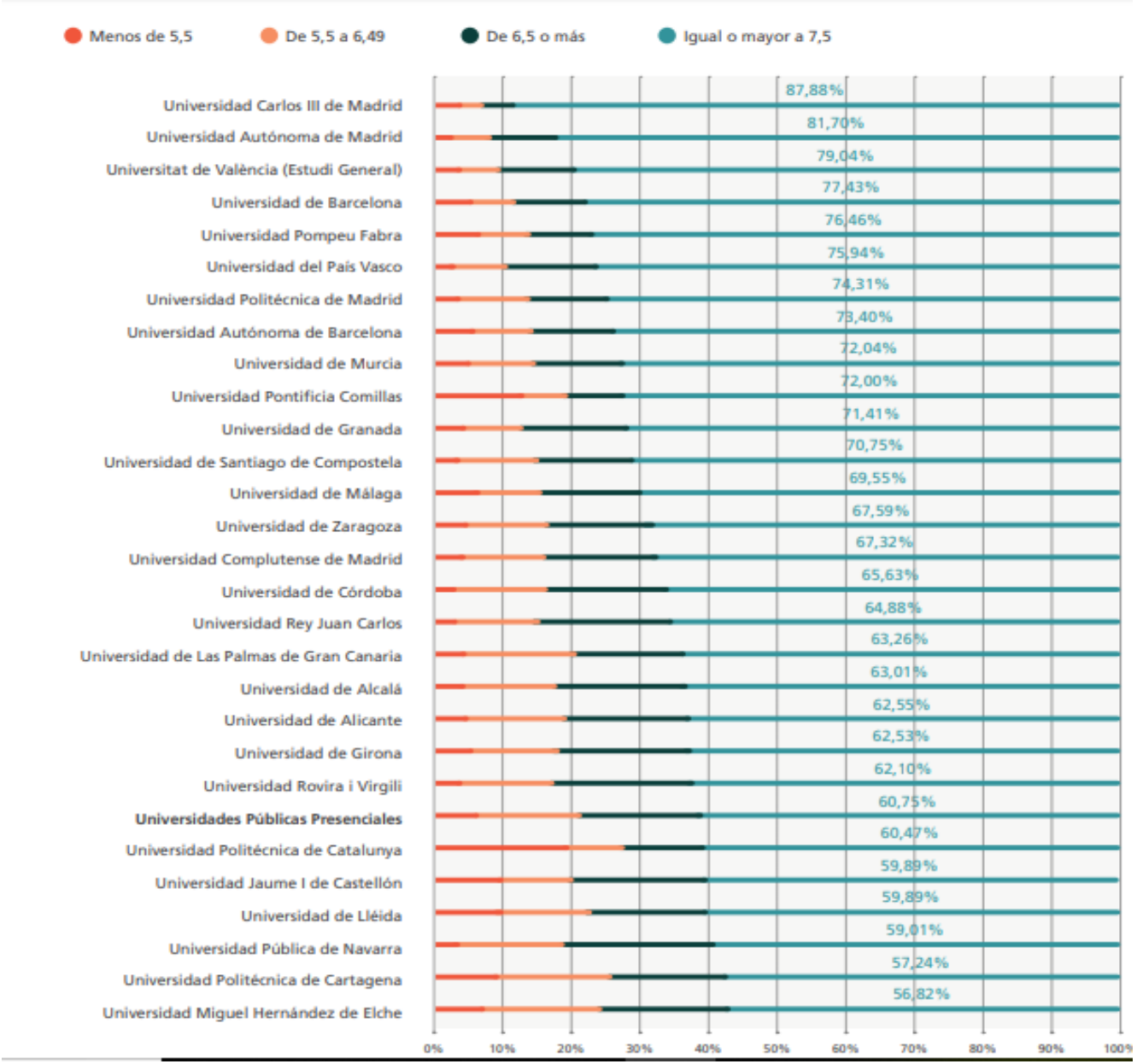
- INTERNATIONAL STUDIES & LAW
- INTERNATIONAL STUDIES & POLITICS
- INTERNATIONAL STUDIES & ECONOMICS

Admission grades of freshmen students

<u>The best students come to uc3m:</u>
University with the highest entering grades (88% enter with a grade higher than 7,5)

Source: La Universidad Española en Cifras. Curso 2015/2016. CRUE 2017



Rankings

#20

#151

International acreditations

International Campus of Excellence

EUR-ACE Certification, the European international engineering accreditation, awarded by the ENAEE

AACSB is an international organization that recognizes the top centers of higher learning worldwide for teaching quality into the areas of business administration, accounting, finance and marketing.

International acreditations

Commitment partner of Generation Study Abroad

#1 in Spain in international student satisfaction award 2015

#1 among Spanish universities transparency ranking

Internship & Employability in 2017

More than 4.500 agreements with enterprises

85% of our students have done an intership before graduation

91,4% of our students found a job during the year after graduation

UC3M undergraduate students participating in international mobility find jobs earlier than the rest of the students

International mobility programs

European agreements

365 agreements in 30 countries

European agreements

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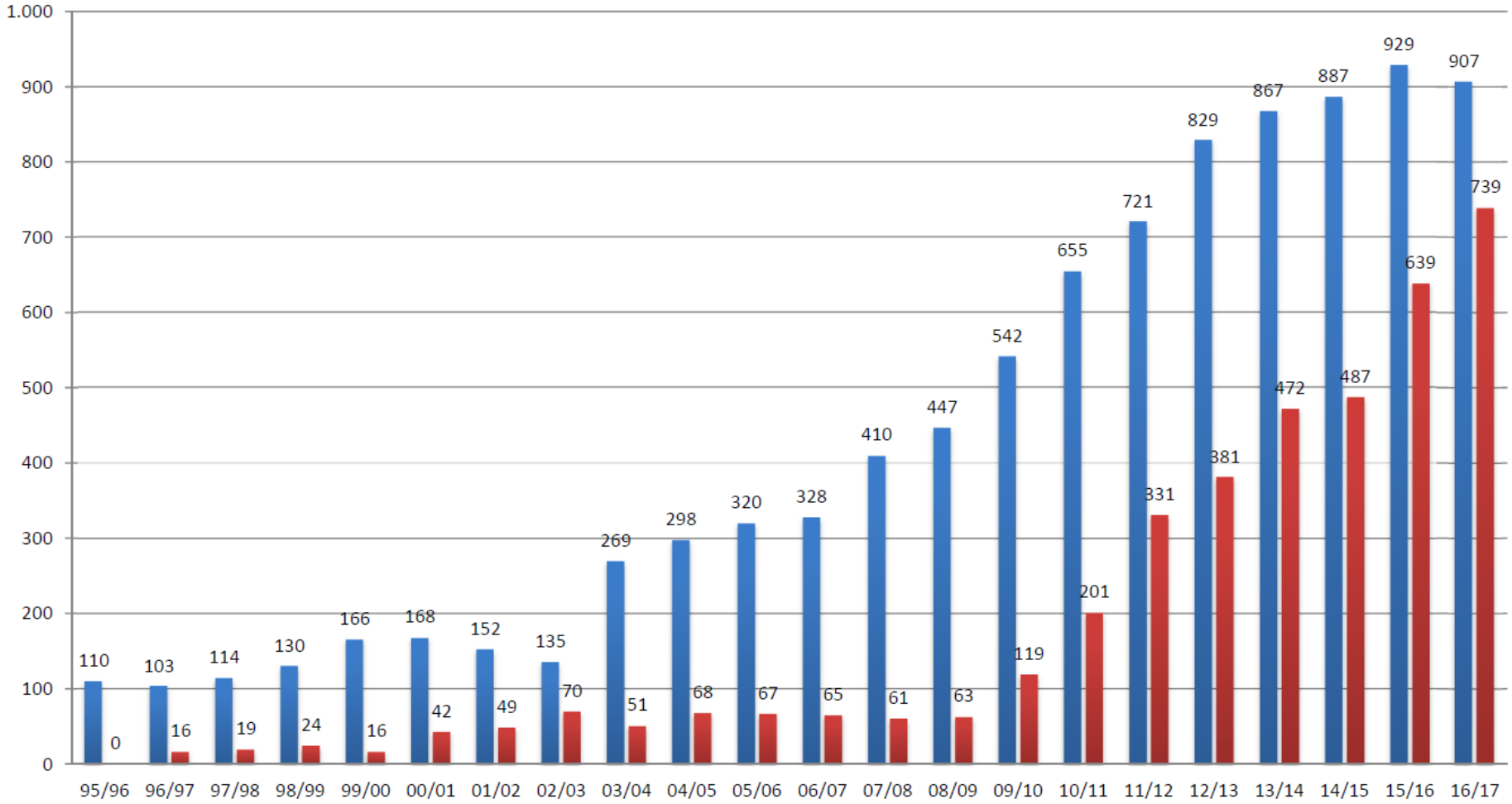
March 2017

202 non european agreements in 28 countries

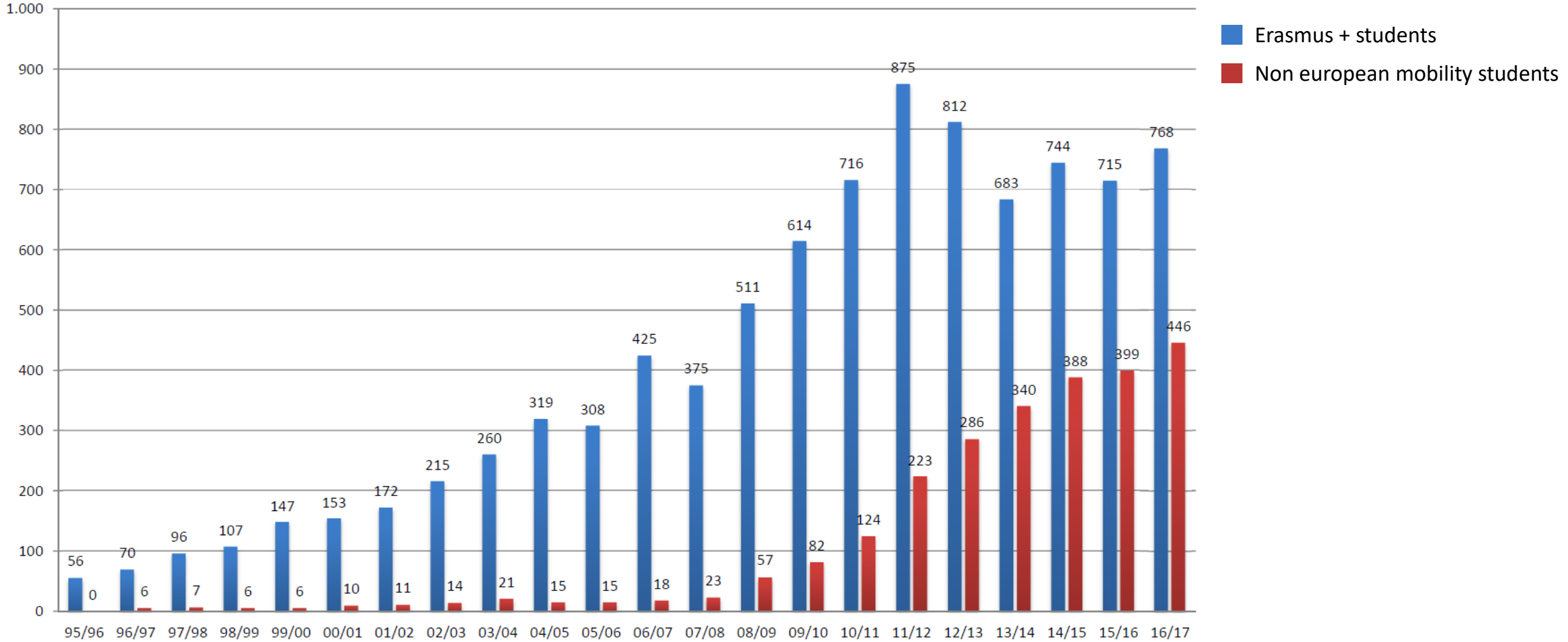
Incoming exchange students



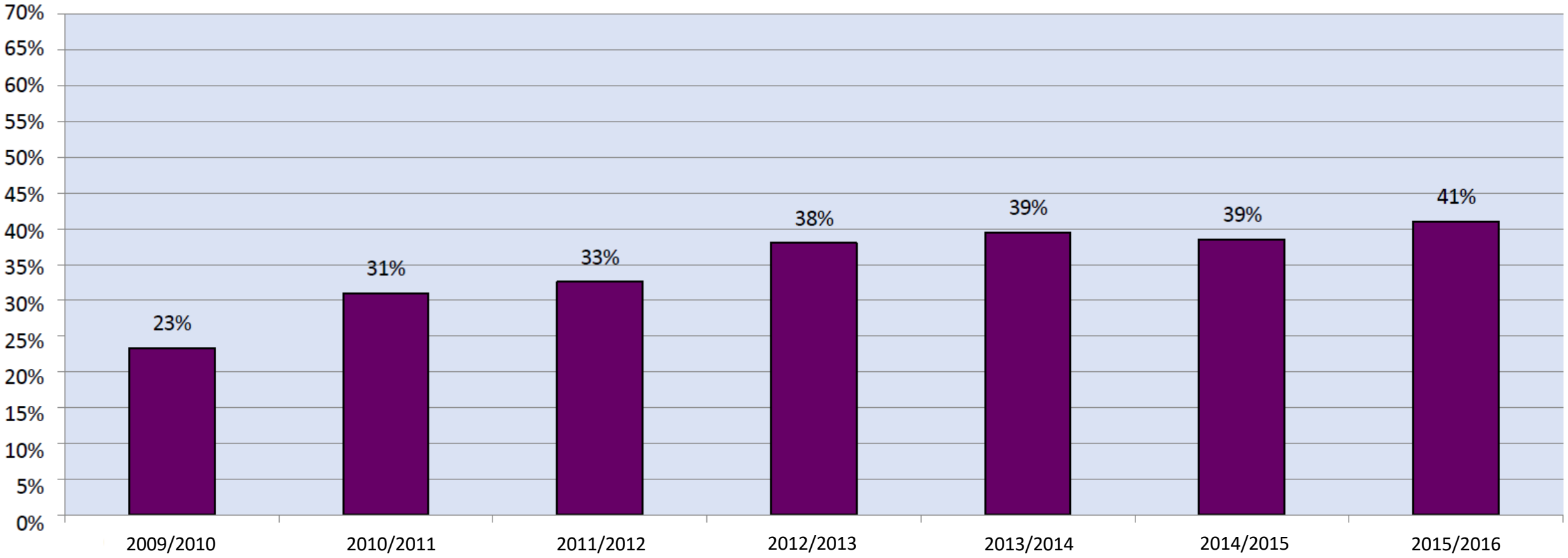
Erasmus + students

Non european mobility students

Outgoing exchange students



% of UC3M students abroad from 2m to 2Y abroad

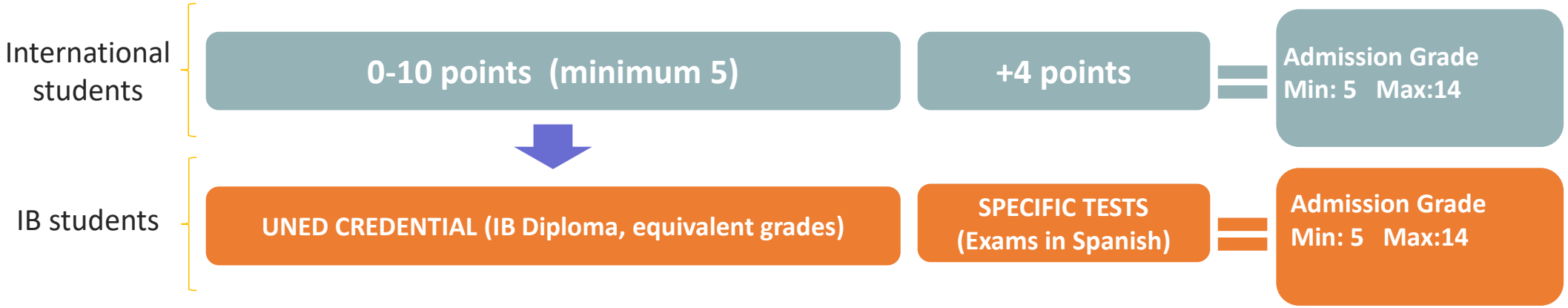


Welcome of international students

- Orientation journey: UC3M presentation, tour through the Campus, certificate of arrival handout
- Student card
- Buddy program with UC3M students
- Academic tutoring for incoming internatinal students (TAIs)
- Cultural activities organized by Erasmus Students Network
- Wide offer of Spanish language courses, including an intensive course before each semester

Study at UC3M with an IB Diploma

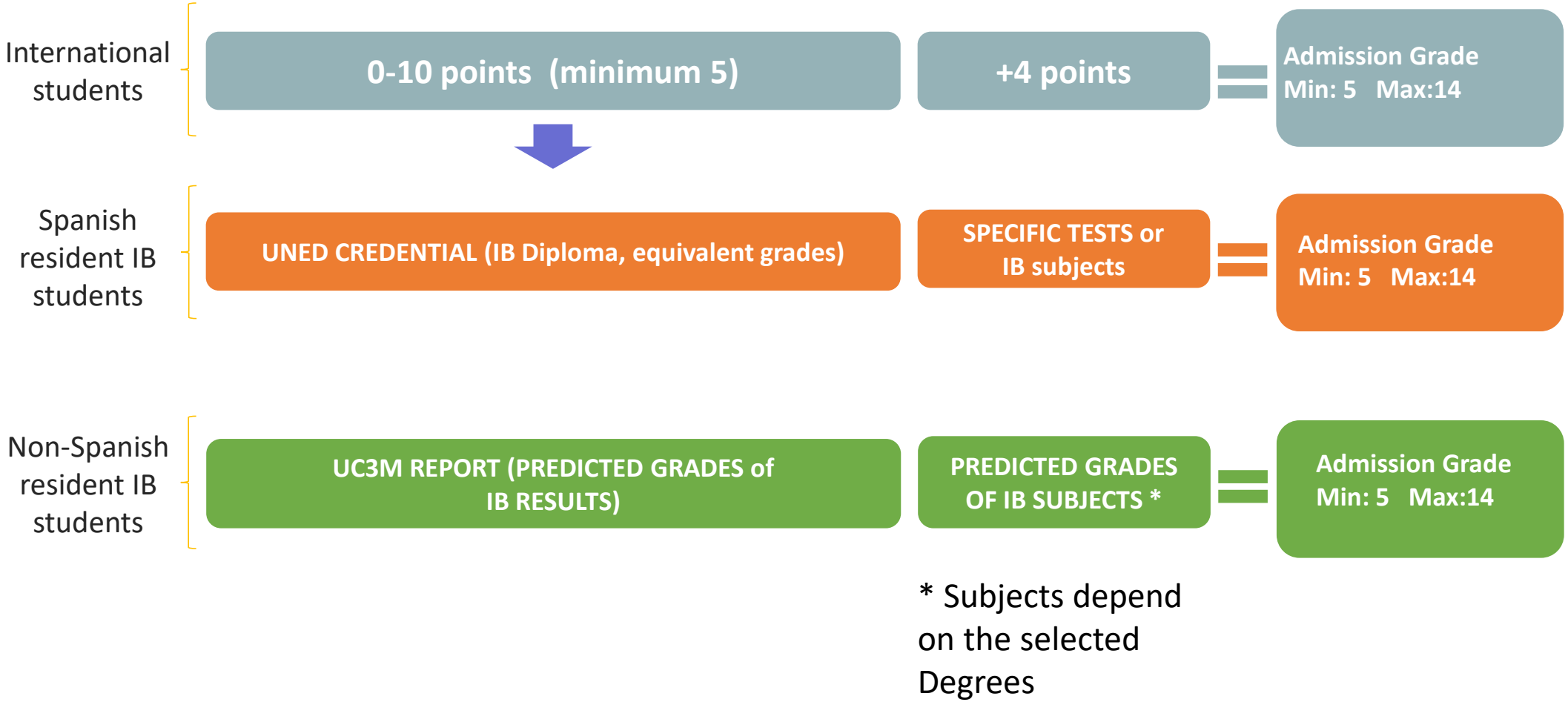
Spanish university admission before 2016



- UC3M in Spain: the highest entering grades
- **Degrees** offered at uc3m with **an entering grade higher than:**
  - **grade 8 is 73%,**
  - **grade 9 is 63%**
  - **grade 10 is 44%.**

This means, that until 2016 no IB student could enter the UC3M in any of the 44% more demanded DEGREES (offered English or Spanish) unless they pass a special part of the National Exam to get some of the extra 4 points.

Spanish university admission since 2017



* Subjects depend on the selected Degrees

UC3M early admission process

- We are **looking for good international students** (grades higher than national entering grades) fluent in English or Spanish.
- Accept applications from **October until April/May**.
- Based on the **predicted DP grades,** and other academic merits. National entrance exam in Spanish is not needed.
- We will provide a **final admission decision in a month** after the application is received

UC3M early admission process

	2017/18	2018/19
Applications received from IB students	17	24
Students admitted with IB	15	9
Different nacionalities	8	19

IB APPLICANTS 2017

Belgium	1
Ecuator	1
Egypt	2
Spain	7
Italy	1
Jordania	1
USA	1
Venezuela	3

IB APPLICANTS 2018

Germany	2
Bahrain	1
Belgium	2
Chile	2
Colombia	1
Croatia	1
Denmark	1
Egypt	1
United Arab Emi	1
Spain	1
Ethiopia	2
France	1
Italy	1
Mexico	1
Peru	1
Russia	1
Sweden	1
Tanzania	1
Venezuela	2

International Foundation Program (pre-bachelor)

TARGET

- High school students who:
  - wants to define their academic interests
  - wants to begin their Bachelor Degree with more knowledge in technical aspects (math/statistics, etc.)

THE PROGRAM

- 1 Year **University experience**
- **Promotes the student's integration** through workshops, Spanish language courses and Bachelor's Degree courses with uc3m students
- **Support and individual follow-up** oriented to identify the potential of each student
- **2 main knowledge areas**: Social Sciencias and Humanities & Engineering
- **Groups in English & Spanish**

After International Foundation Program

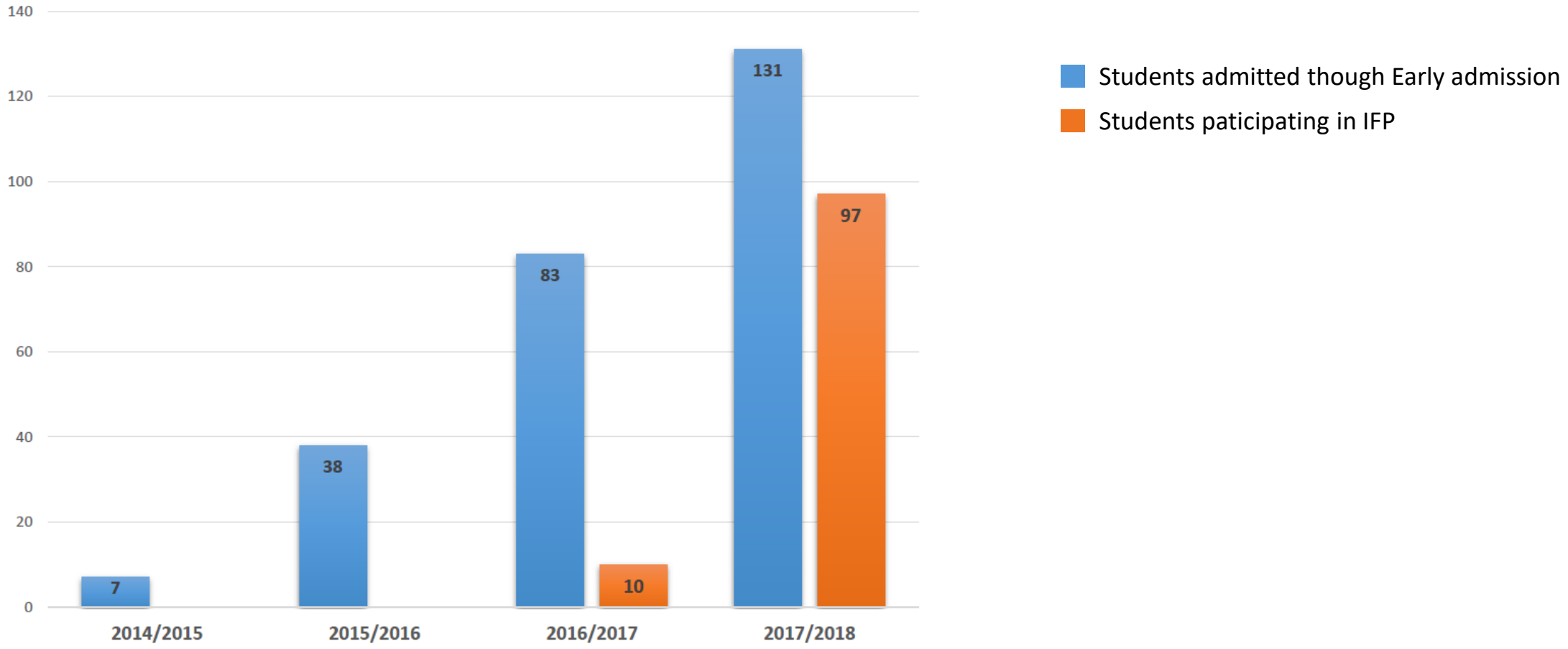
Possibility to be admited in a Bachelo'r Degree:

- Pass at least 36 out of 48 credits during International Foundation Program
- Hold a B2 proficiency in Spanish or English
- Good GPA

International Foundation Program (pre-bachelor)

	2017/18	2018/19
Applications received	112	191
Students admitted	104	97
Different nacionalities	31	38

Early admission & International Foundation Program evolution



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