

# The UOC, towards an open knowledge hub

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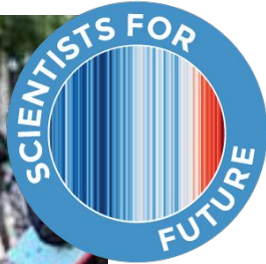
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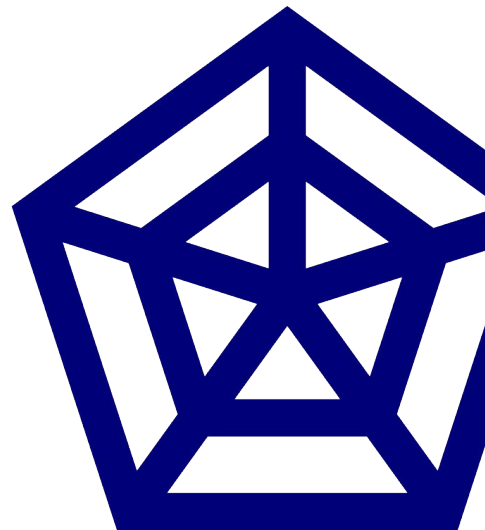
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## UOC's strategy from 2022 to 2025

### Be UOC

Collaborative governance, viability and digital transformation.

### Next UOC

Promotion of educational flexibility and cross-disciplinarity.

### Global UOC

A strong commitment to a global UOC with more societal impact that contributes to the 2030 Agenda.

### UOC Ecosystem

Increasing competitiveness and employability.

### UOC Insight

Fostering transformative, high quality research.

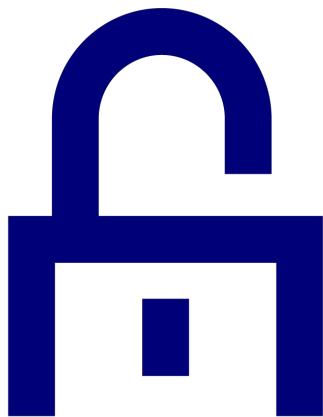
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# Open Science movement

## UOC's Open Knowledge action plan

### 6 specific areas



*Open acces publications*

*Open FAIR data*

*Open learning*

*Open innovation*

*Open to society*

*Research evaluation models*

### 3 universal themes



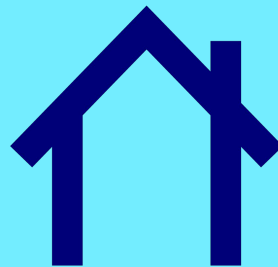
*Training, com-  
munications, and  
awareness raising*

*Open  
infrastructure*

*Participation in  
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# **UOC's Refugee Welcome Programme**



- 2016: **The university responds to the call for action from a group of students (RefugeESuoc)**
- February 2017: **Pilot at the Greek settlements together with RefugeESuoc**
- September 2017: **Pilot with refugees in Spain and Sahara**
- February 2018: **Lebanon welcome programme** together with other Catalan universities and the Catalan government
- Since September 2018: **Call together with social entities**



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**Secretaria d'Igualtat, Migracions  
i Ciutadania**

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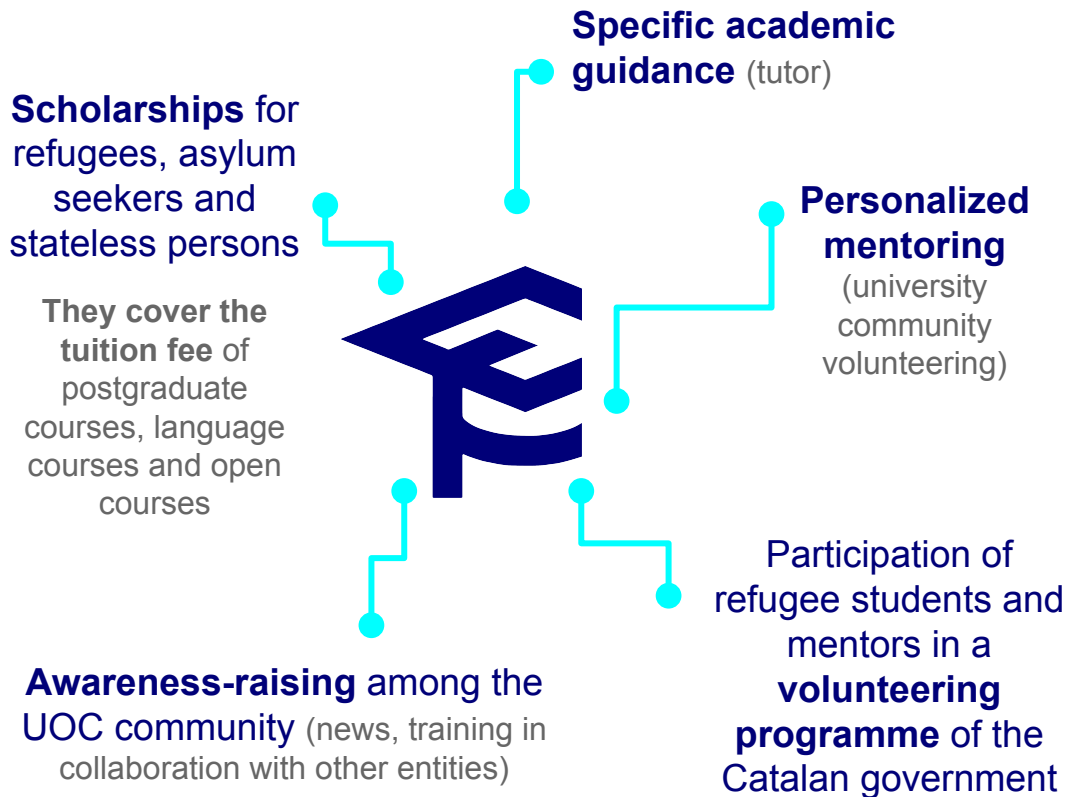
 **Cruz Roja**

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## Mission

To provide these students **access to higher education**, which is not covered by the mechanisms provided by public administrations.

## UOC's Refugee Welcome Programme



# The programme in figures

**186 scholars in 7 editions** for postgraduate courses, language courses and open courses.

**154 mentors** in total from the UOC community (students, Alumni, teaching and research staff and administrative staff)

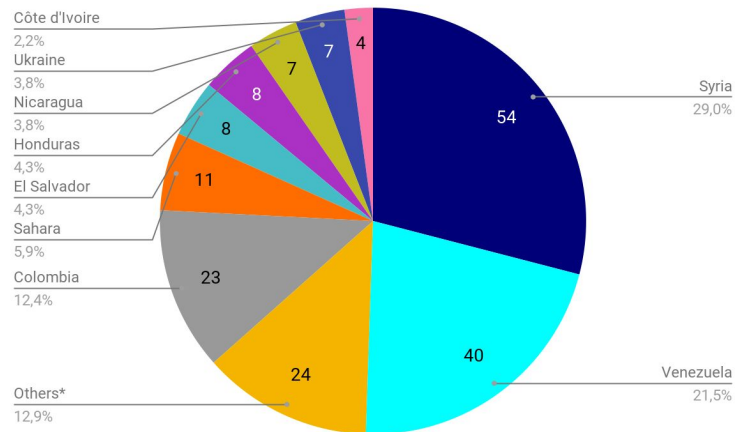
More than **110.000 €** coming from students' contribution through UOC's charitable enrolment.



## Scholar profile

- Asylum seeker (77%)
- Parity men (56%) & women (44%)
- Aged between 26 and 30 (33%)
- Lives in Spain (76%)
- With a bachelor's degree completed (48%)

## Country of origin





# Lessons learned



**Scholars in the programme:** it has contributed to increase their **motivation**, favour their **inclusion** in society, generate a **sense of belonging** to society and to the educational community not only on an educational level, but also on a personal and professional level.

**UOC community:** they are eager to participate in the programme.

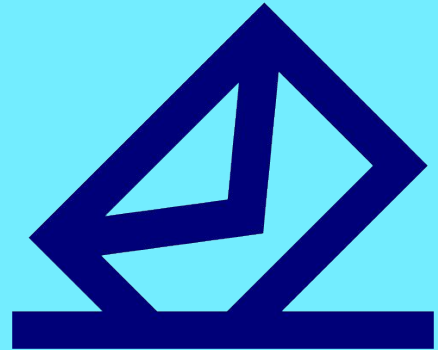
**Social entities:** their collaboration is crucial to disseminate the calls, to monitor the scholars, and to facilitate their psychosocial stability and a good pace for study.

## **University:**

- Our role is to create the adequate **conditions and support** to make such programmes happen.
- Higher education as a tool for the inclusion of refugees and to promote their access to qualified jobs.
- Raising awareness and participation of the university community is key.
- Need of advocacy: clear guidelines and regulations needed (accreditation of prior studies in cases when the documentation is not available)

# **decidim.org**

**a digital platform for citizen participation**



# From a research group to practice



**free open-source participatory democracy  
for cities and organizations**



## Used by:

- the **European Commission**
- **20** regions (Catalonia, Assamblée Nationale française)
- **42** cities (BCN, Helsinki, NYC or Veracruz)
- **20** organisations, some of them Universities (UNED, Bordeaux and UOC)

Thank you for your attention!