The university has traditionally been the space for words and commitment, a commitment to a more fair, advanced, democratic and inclusive society. In short, a commitment to work for a better world in all senses. From this perspective, the University of Barcelona has set itself the priority of aligning its activity with the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) established by the United Nations through 2030 Agenda.

The UB Solidarity Foundation is the area of the University of Barcelona responsible for promoting and implementing this commitment, together with the rest of the university community. The Foundation was created in 1996 by the University of Barcelona and the Món-3 Foundation, an NGDO with a distinctly university character.

The Foundation promotes cooperation projects for development, peace and human rights, and social intervention projects against exclusion on the basis of the initiatives, resources and capacities of the university community.

It works in fields such as social agriculture, solidarity economy, rural development, environment, water and sanitation, defence of human rights and of those who promote them, refugee reception, democratic memory, and education for citizenship. It also manages the UB Volunteering programme, which promotes university community volunteering in third sector organisations.

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**PROGRAMMES**

**SUPPORT FOR REFUGEES AND PEOPLE FROM CONFLICT AREAS**  
www.solidaritat.ub.edu/refugees

A reception programme aimed at opening safe alternative refugee routes (through access to university education) and facilitating the pursuit of academic careers for people whose education has been halted by war, persecution and violence in their countries of origin. Its main activity is the Transition to university course and training in human rights and peace culture, which may include, as appropriate, academic guidance, accommodation, legal advice, and psychological assistance.

**MASTER’S DEGREE IN GLOBALIZATION, DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION**

Academic programme started in 1989 through which experts are trained to work in the formulation and implementation of development strategies in NGOs, international organizations, cooperation agencies, local administrations or the academic world.

The Master provides analytical, reflective and critical training on today’s world, global inequalities, public policies in this field, and intervention alternatives at different levels.

**NATURAL SOLUTIONS FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

This programme brings together the organisation’s background in promoting social agriculture in our country, and its experience in cooperation projects for development aimed at environmental sustainability, efficient management of natural resources, and improving the living conditions of the most vulnerable groups. The initiatives included in the programme are oriented towards the implementation of solutions based on nature in order to favour sustainable and socially resilient development alternatives.

**EDUCATION FOR GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP (PAULA PROGRAMME)**  
www.portalpaula.org

In collaboration with the Institute for Professional Development - ICE UB, this initiative promotes curriculum integration of education for peace, human rights and global citizenship in official education by supporting the work of teachers.

Some of its projects and activities are:

- **PAULA Portal.** Online educational resource centre.
- **Research for Global Citizenship.** Support programme for high schools to develop research papers educating in human rights and global citizenship.
- **UB Peace Research Award** for high school research papers.

**VOLUNTRIAT UB (UB VOLUNTEERING)**  
www.solidaritat.ub.edu/voluntariat

An initiative of the UB, managed by the UB Solidarity Foundation, which encourages voluntary work by the university community in third sector organisations with the aim of promoting a university that is more solidarity and committed to society.

The programme understands volunteering as a tool for personal and collective empowerment, which is achieved through participation and cooperation.

**EUROPEAN OBSERVATORY ON MEMORIES (EUROM)**  
www.europeanmemories.net

International network of institutions and organisations committed to research and promoting public policies on memory. Its main goal is to contribute to the discussion on the recent history of democratic struggles, the plurality of memories, and the defence of human rights. It is supported by the European Commission’s Europe for Citizens programme.

**SOCIO-EDUCATIONAL INTERVENTION IN THE NORTHERN AREA OF NOU BARRIS**

Initiative focused on the management of the Eucaliptus building providing social and university housing, and on the organisation of socio-educational activities to revitalise the cultural and associative life in this area of Barcelona.

«What I most felt here, from the first day, was the recovery of security and self-confidence.»