

Frequently asked questions about micro-credentials

Below you can find answers to frequently asked questions about the photonics micro-credentials. We will be updating this document frequently, but if you have additional questions, please email us at photonics-rf@uma.es.

1. Is it possible to enroll in individual courses without completing all of them?

You are permitted to enroll in one, two, or as many courses as you desire each academic year. If you complete all courses, regardless of whether they are done in the same year, you will be awarded a University of Malaga Diploma of Specialization in Integrated Photonics (30 credits).

2. How many students will be admitted per course?

The minimum number of students is 7, and the maximum is 20.

3. How many students will have their fees covered by the Perte-Chip chair?

In each course up to 10 students can be funded through the Perte-Chip Chair.

4. How will you decide which students have their fees covered?

It will depend on the number of applications we receive and on the profile of the applicants. If we admit more than 10 students, we will give priority to high-potential profiles that do not have their own funding. If a person enrolls in several courses, we may try to ensure that they do not have to pay for all of them.



5. What is the cost of a course if the fees are not covered by the Perte-Chip chair?

The cost would be 450€ for each course.

6. Is there an evaluation at the end of each course?

Yes, students are required to pass small tests, questionnaires, and practical exercises. The program aims to attract diverse profiles, not only from Electrical Engineering but also from Physics, engineering, or other fields. Typically, individuals who complete the course will pass. However, those who demonstrate additional effort can achieve higher marks.

8. Will students be awarded a diploma at the end of each course?

Yes, the students that pass a course, will be awarded an official diploma by the University of Málaga. Note that such micro-credential will be recognized at EU-level.

9. What is the difference between the online mode and the hybrid mode?

All courses last two weeks. The first week is online for all of them and deals mainly with theoretical concepts. The second week has a practical focus, and we will have both students physically in a classroom / lab, as well as up to 10 students online.

The only course for which the second week is on-site-only is “Packaging and characterization of silicon photonic chips”.