



Graduate School of Economics



Graduation Ceremony

Class of 2017

Ceremony Program July 7, 2017 - 17:00h

Welcome from our hosts at AXA

Introduction by our chairman

Prof. Ramon Marimon,
Chairman of the Barcelona GSE

Graduation speaker

Prof. Andreu Mas-Colell,
Founder of the Barcelona GSE

Message from the university rectors

Prof. Jaume Casals,
Rector, Universitat Pompeu Fabra

Prof. Carles Gispert,
Vice-rector for Economy and Campus,
Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

Awarding of certificates

Master's Degree in Data Science

Master's Degree in Economics and Finance

Economics Program
Finance Program

Master's Degree in Specialized Economic Analysis

Competition and Market Regulation Program
Economics of Public Policy Program
International Trade, Finance and Development Program
Macroeconomic Policy and Financial Markets Program

Alumni representative's remarks

Gaston Besanson (Data Science '15)
Analytics Consultant,
Accenture Analytics Innovation Center (Barcelona)

Student representative's remarks

Sandra Nkusi (Economics of Public Policy '17)

The graduation ceremony is hosted by AXA, board member institution of the Barcelona GSE.



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Refreshments will be served in the WIN Room at the conclusion of the ceremony.

Congratulations from Teresa Garcia-Milà, Director of the Barcelona GSE



Congratulations to you all on successfully completing your master's program at the Barcelona GSE. You have worked hard and as a result, earned this day of celebration.

You are the tenth cohort to graduate from the Barcelona GSE and through your rigorous hard work, you have acquired an outstanding education and critical thinking skills which will

prove invaluable in your future career. I am sure that you have finished the year with many new personal experiences and new friends. Even though this is the end of one chapter, I have no doubt that new exciting challenges await you in your future endeavors. I am convinced that excellent opportunities await you in your chosen career path.

The Barcelona GSE is committed to supporting you on your future journey, and we welcome you to the wider network of talented people who make up the Barcelona GSE alumni community.

About our invited graduation speaker



Andreu Mas-Colell is the founder of the Barcelona GSE and Professor Emeritus of Economics at Universitat Pompeu Fabra.

He was professor at Harvard University (1981-96) and the University of California, Berkeley (1972-80). Outside academia, he has also been President of the Scientific Advisory Committee of Telefónica Investigación y Desarrollo, Secretary General of the European Research Council, and Minister of Economy and Knowledge in the Catalan Government.

Professor Mas-Colell is a Fellow of the Econometric Society and was its president in 1993. He is a Foreign Associate to the US National Academy of Sciences and Foreign Honorary Member of the American Economic Association. He has also served on the executive committee of the International Economic Association and as president of the European Economic Association. He is a member of the Academia Europaea.

Professor Mas-Colell has been a Sloan Fellow and a Guggenheim Fellow. He has received the Rey Juan Carlos I Prize in Economics (1988) and the Pascual Madoz National Research Prize (2006). He was co-recipient of the BBVA Foundation Frontiers of Knowledge Award in Economics, Finance and Management (2009).

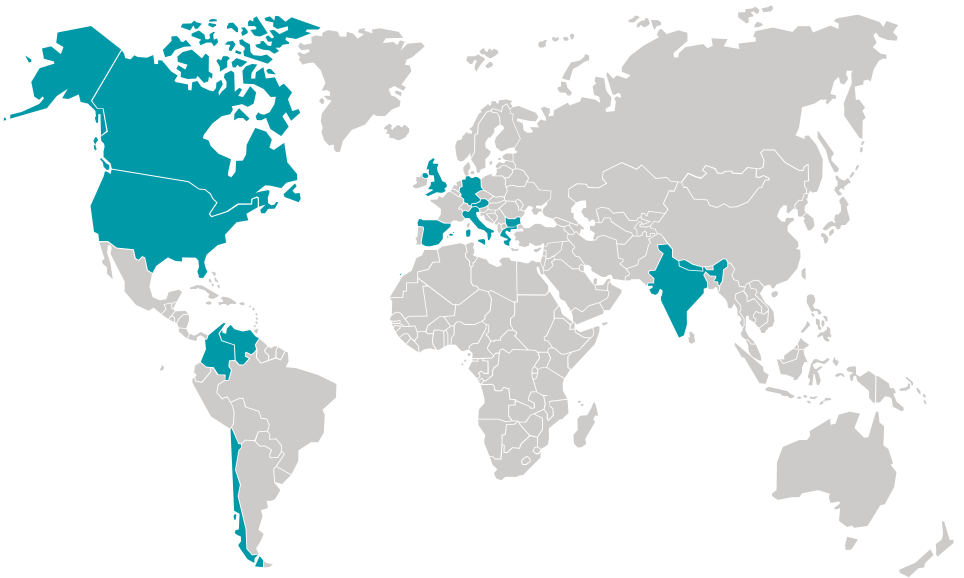
He holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Minnesota (1972) and honorary degrees from the universities of Alacant, Toulouse, HEC (Paris), Universidad Nacional del Sur (Argentina) and Chicago.

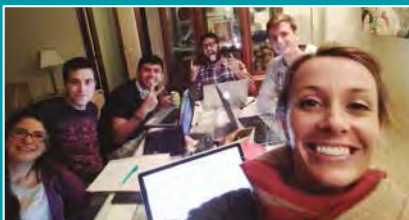
Prof. Mas-Colell has written over 120 research papers on subjects ranging from abstract general equilibrium theory and the structure of financial markets to pricing policy for public firms. He is the author of *The Theory of General Economic Equilibrium: A Differentiable Approach* (Cambridge University Press, 1985) and co-author with M. Whinston and J. Green, of the graduate textbook *Microeconomic Theory* (Oxford University Press, 1994).

Master's Degree in Data Science Data Science Program

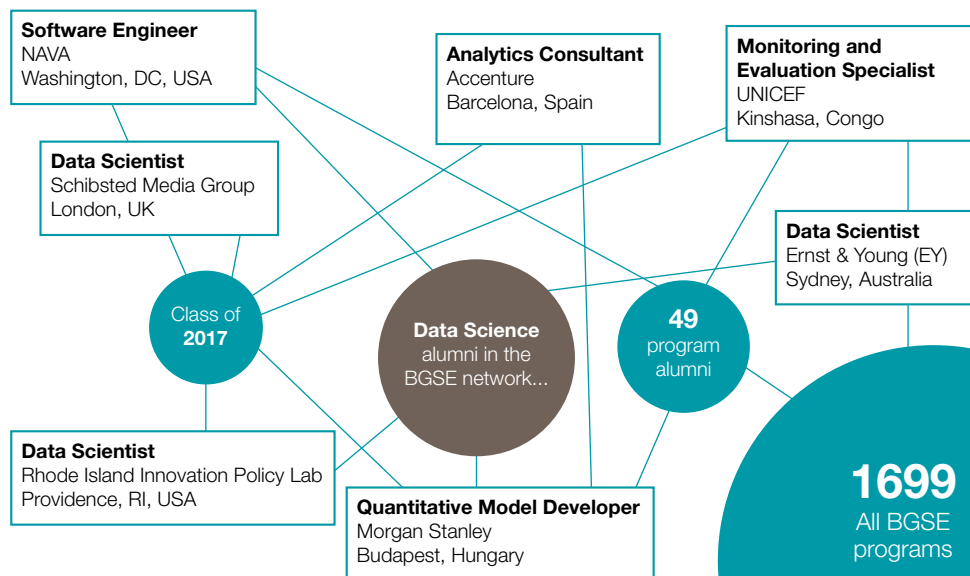


25 students from 14 countries



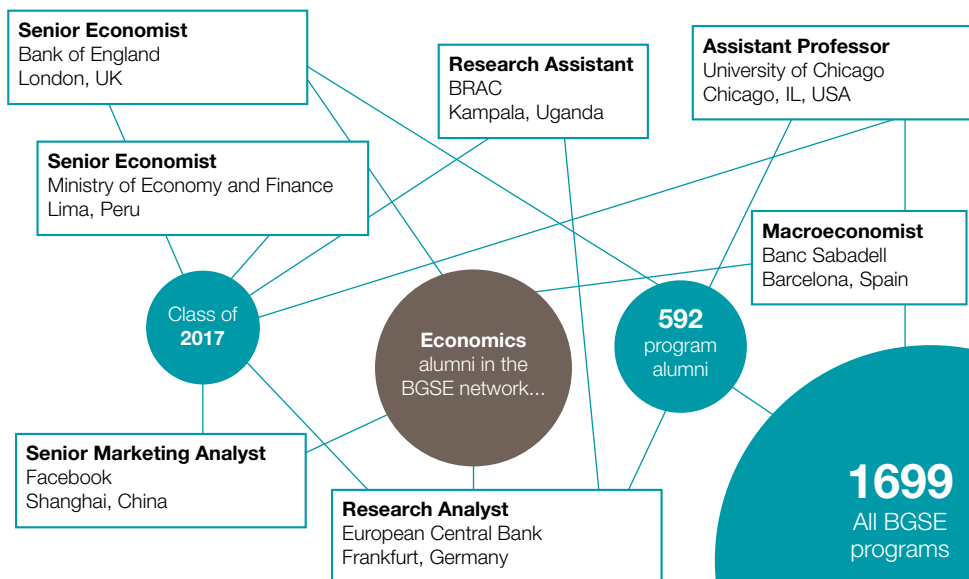


Where are Data Science alumni from previous cohorts?





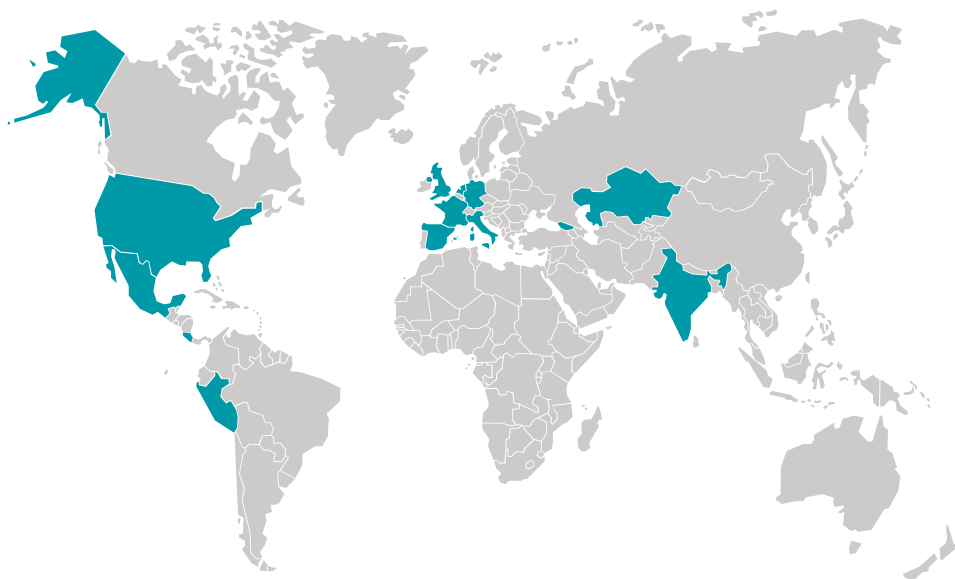
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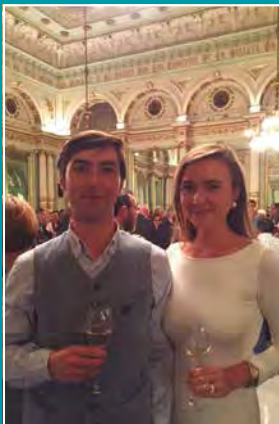


Master's Degree in Economics and Finance Finance Program

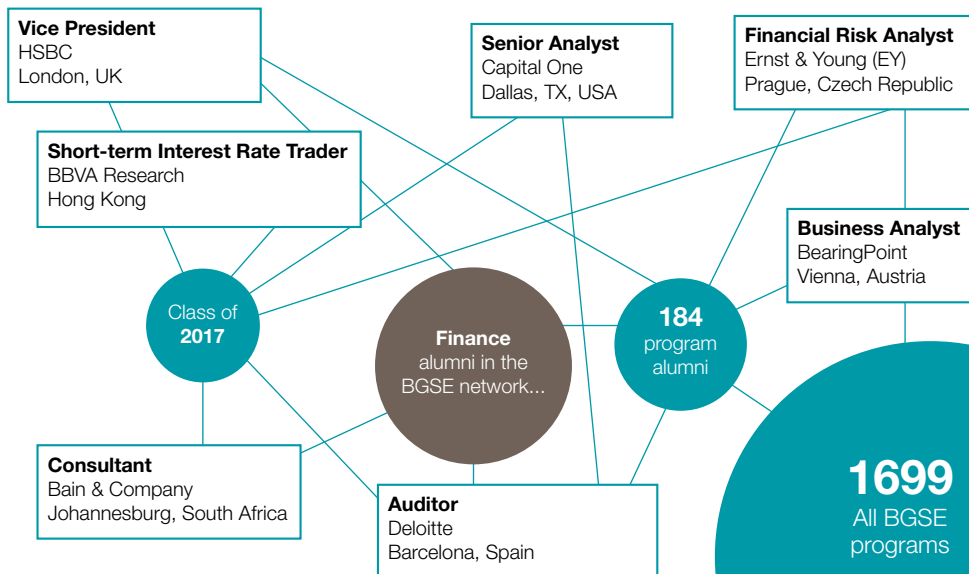


21 students from 13 countries





Where are Finance alumni from previous cohorts?

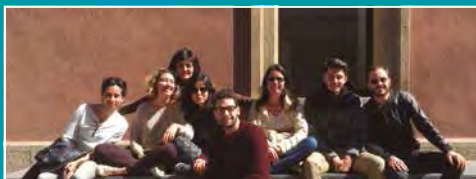


Master's Degree in Specialized Economic Analysis Competition and Market Regulation Program



16 students from 8 countries





Where are Competition alumni from previous cohorts?

Senior Associate

Compass Lexecon
London, UK

Assistant Economist

Autorité de la Concurrence
Paris, France

Advisor to Chief Counsel

Department of Transportation
Washington, DC, USA

Research Analyst

Euromonitor International
St. Petersburg, Russia

Case Handler

European Commission
Brussels, Belgium

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Competition
alumni in the
BGSE network...

165
program
alumni

Research Assistant

Banco de España
Madrid, Spain

Regulatory Assessment Director

Federal Competition Commission
Mexico City, Mexico

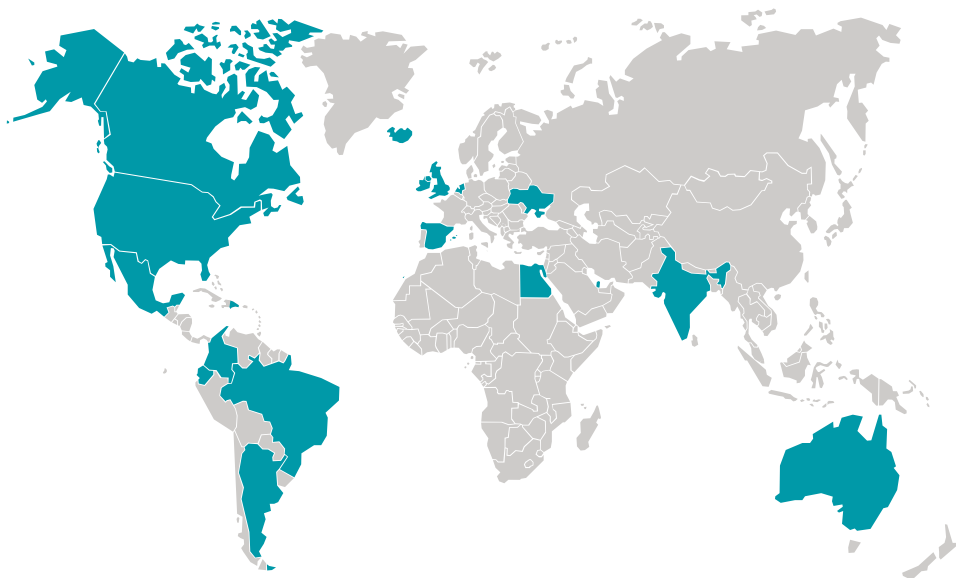
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All BGSE
programs

Master's Degree in Specialized Economic Analysis Economics of Public Policy Program



23 students from 18 countries





Where are EPP alumni from previous cohorts?

Senior Analyst

Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
Rome, Italy

Team Leader

Government of Australia
Canberra, Australia

Economist

US Chamber of Commerce
Washington, DC, USA

Researcher

Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS)
Maastricht, Netherlands

Junior Policy Analyst

OECD
Paris, France

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EPP
alumni in the
BGSE network...

115
program
alumni

Macroeconomist

Mutua Madrileña
Madrid, Spain

Senior Policy Adviser Head of Agriculture

HM Treasury
London, UK

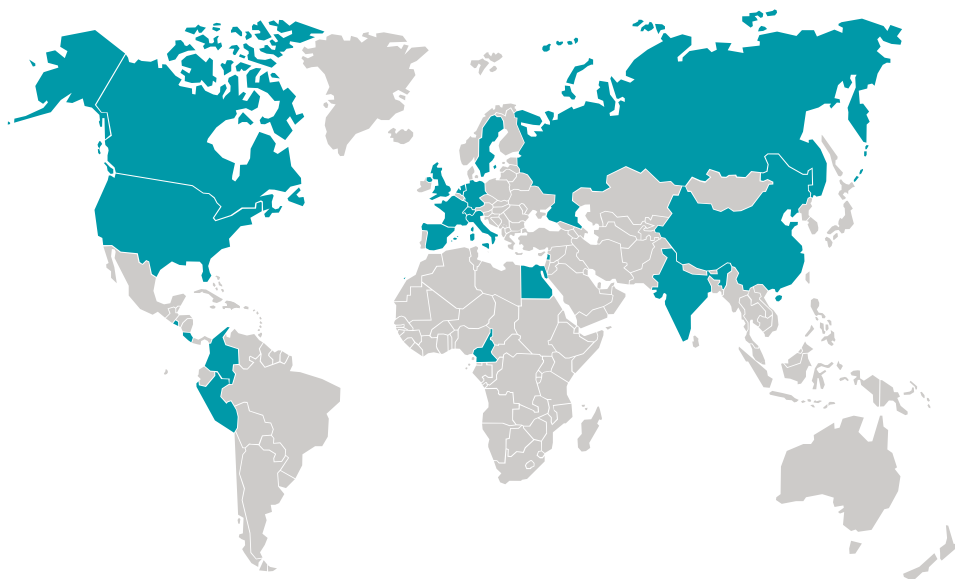
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Master's Degree in Specialized Economic Analysis International Trade, Finance, and Development Program

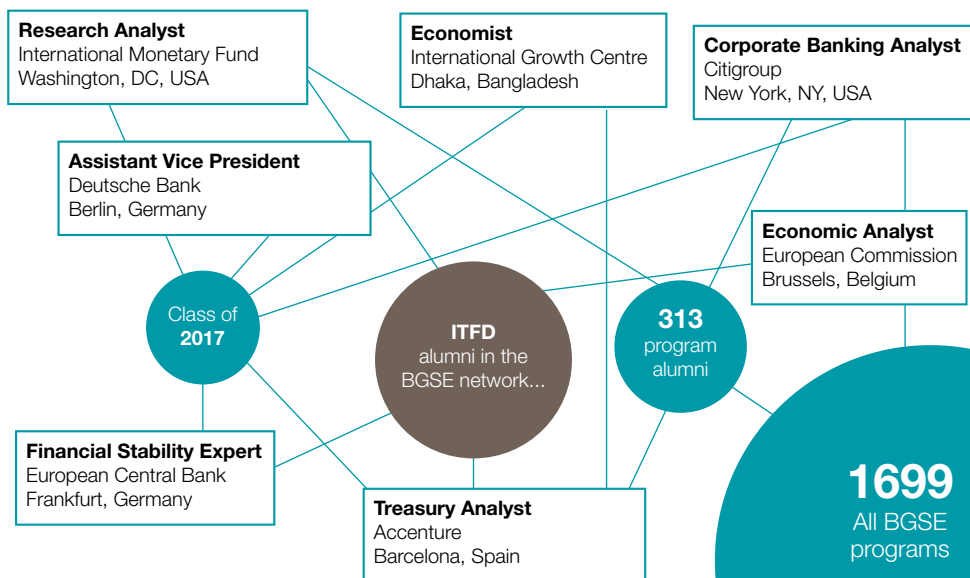


41 students from 21 countries





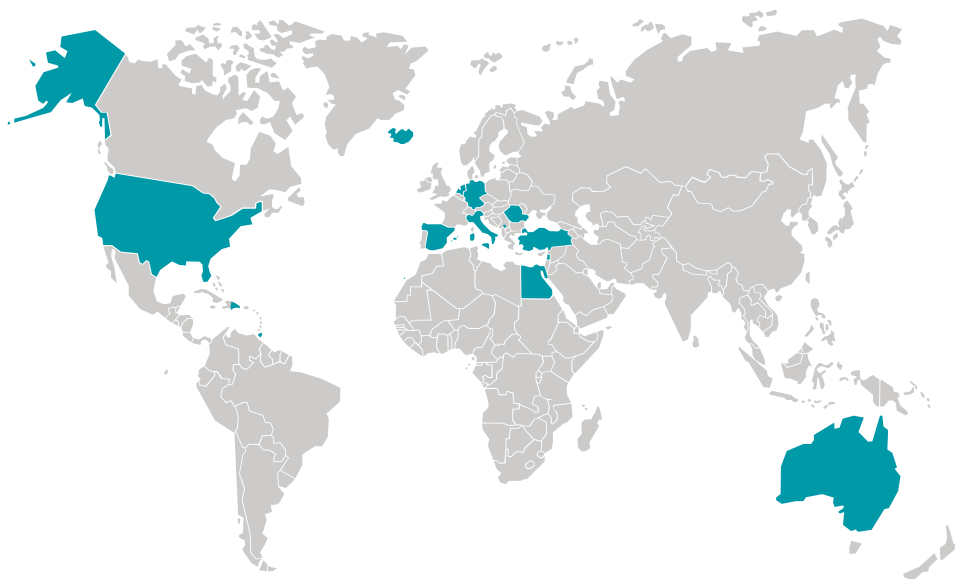
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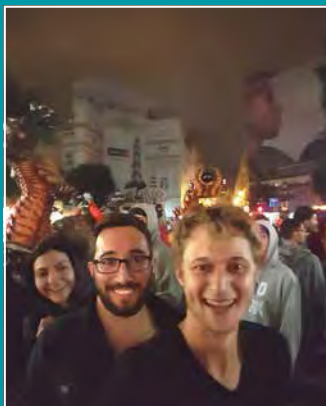


Master's Degree in Specialized Economic Analysis Macroeconomic Policy and Financial Markets Program

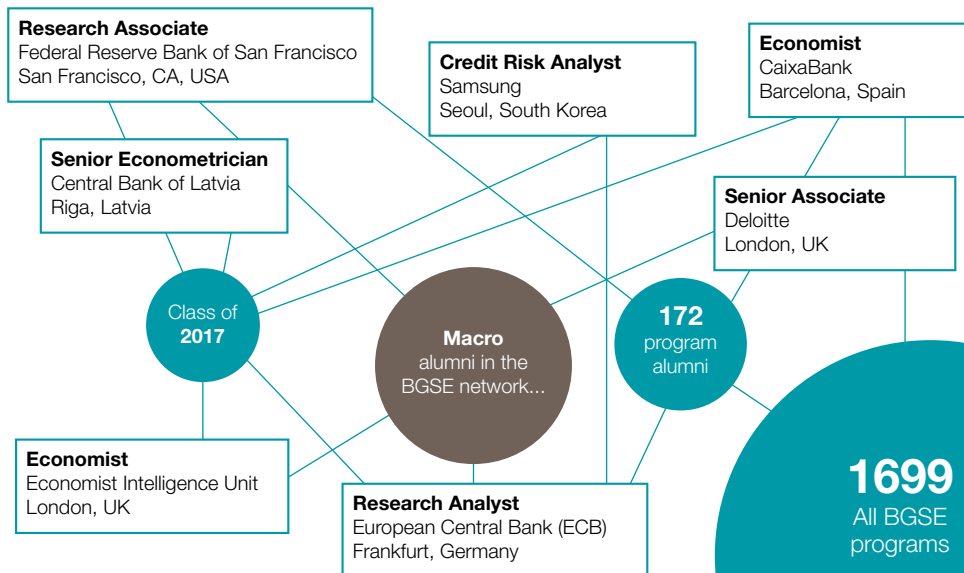


21 students from 14 countries





Where are Macro alumni from previous cohorts?



Students 2016-17

Data Science

Daniel Bestard Delgado
Alfonso Braulio Escribá
Michael Lewis Cameron
Euan William Dowers
Ilias Fanteev
Roger Garriga Calleja
Hans-Peter Höllwirth
Veronika Kyuchukova
Robert Tjarko Lange
Akhil Lohia
Javier Mas Adell
Angus James McKay
José Fernando Moreno Gutiérrez

Santiago Luis Paz
Saurav Poudel
Nandan Rao
Carlos Isaac Rodriguez Prado
Laura Roman Canal
Viviana Andrea Rosales Salinas
David Robert Rosenfeld
Ivan Vallejo Vall
Daniel Velasquez Vergara
Davide Viviano
Katrina Renee Walker
Jonas Paul Westermann

Economics

Farida Aliyeva
Miguel Alquezar Yus
Rachel Sara Anderson
Alfredo Francisco Andonie Kraushaar
Ignatius Wilhelm Barnardt
Laurenz Michael Bärtsch
Conrad Bertez
Alexander Bolves
Carlo Alessandro Borella
Gabriel Bracons Font
Francesco Capozza
Joshua Piers Wesley Casson
Andrea Chiavari
Michael Guy Cuna
Marc de la Barrera Bardalet
Paula de Souza Leao Spinola
Moritz Degler

Emmanuelle Léa Pauline Derré
Rishab Ramesh Devnani
Ana Valeria Diez Chavez Rey
Magdalena Domínguez Pérez
Akmal Fadhlurrahman
María Elisa Failache Mirza
Juraj Falath
Edgar Jairo Jesus Flores Audante
Erfan Ghofrani
Andrea Greppi
Saga Gudmundsdottir
Samuel Andrea Hayden
Ólafur Heidar Helgason
Dorian Henricot
Jakob Hinger
Jonkvrouw Julie Mathilde Hooft Graafland
Yamac Alican Isik

András Jagadits
Aswathi John Kaithakkel
Golschan Khun Jush
Sheng Wei Demas Koh
Navni Kothari
Victoria Joan Kreinbrink
Muhittin Kurnaz
Moritz Immanuel Leitner
Cristiano Mantovani
Rodrigo Martínez Mazza
Olivia Masi
Cliona McDonnell
Andrej Mijakovic
Roshak Momtahan
Maurizio Mostacci
Elif Feyza Özcan
Manuel Augusto Paredes Meza
Pietro Patelli

Pedro Victor Pimenta Renault Coelho
Sergio Ventura Pirla Lopez
Lorenzo Pisati
Lluc Puig Codina
Diego Octavio Rossinelli Delgado
Pascal Naim Schmidt
Alexander Schramm
Eva Sotosek
Svetlin Stefanov
Yan Rong Tan
Tito Tuni Gachuhi Tibi
Benoît André Tramontini
Jean-Alexandre Vaglio
Miriam Venturini
Thies Wollesen
Ece Yagman
Cameron Michael Young

Finance

Alicia Aguilar Fargas
Mattia Bongini
Andrea Casarico
Pranav Charan
Daniel Alberto Chaves Huertas
Andrea De Martino
Joana Espona Vinyeta
Alberto García García
Inga Gogitidze
Pablo González Domínguez
Lukas Grimm

Jonathan Bernard Haynes
Louis-Lachlan Alain Marie Patricot
Niels Püschel
Sergio Arturo Rodriguez Solis
Edward Manuel Ruiz Crosby
Daniel Schmitt
Roberto Stagni
Taylor Eden Tackett
Alisher Urazbekov
Michael Cornelis Johannes van den Berg

Students 2016-17

Competition and Market Regulation

Vanessa Abi Faris

Valentina Angellotto

Samira Branco

Amélie Anne Marielle Brossard-Ruffey

Ernesto Cárdenas Salcido

Rosa Isabel Castillo Mezarina

Jose Manuel Cebrian Diaz-Heredero

Anabelí Chuquillanqui Arizapana

Laura Elizabeth González Sánchez

Ruben Guerrero Garcia

Andressa Lin Fidelis

Michelle López Robert

Natalia Losurdo

Lizeth Martinez Nagore

Zeynep Ortaç

Rafael Sambeat Prieto

Economics of Public Policy

Ágúst Arnórsson

George Richard Derek Bangham

Sophia Hoi-Yung Chong

Vera Dorine Cuijpers

Raul Augusto Elias

Anna Gerdli

Tania Elizabeth Guerra Rosero

Ana Estefany Mercedes Germosén

Rim Boulououar A M Mesraoua

Noureldin Atef Ahmed Moussa

Viola Mudduluru

Sandra Nkusi

Manuel Alejandro Ortiz Sanabria

Elizabeth Morag Pinder

Colin Damien Power

Vitor Quintanilha Barbosa

Zabdiel Ruiz Ortiz

Elena Torres Aguilar Aguilar

Sonia Turrero Hernandez

Laura Juliana Vargas Rueda

Elliott Otto Weiss

International Trade, Finance, and Development

Naveed Ahmed	Michael Robert Keenan
Nancy Alicia Aranda	Benjamin Richard Kline
Rani George Mounir Aziz	Marine Zaki Ezzat Labib
Chiara Bellucci	Ines Sonia Lecland
Carine Bergevin-Chammah	Valentina Lo Passo
Cox Bogaards	Mia Kim Maceda Veloso
Caterina Capecci	Eva Jennifer Marti
María Alejandra Carías	Chirag Mehta
David Ching	Pedram Moezzi
Xaver Peter Alfons Dickopf	Carlos Jose Molina
Maria del Mar Domenech	Ricard Murillo
Yameng Fan	Marceline Noumoe Feze
Francisco García	Gemma Riera
Matteo Ghislandi	Rosa Ripoll
Alessia Giaume	Mark Roller
Marta Guasch	Leire Santafe
Swasti Gupta	Alena Sokolyanskaya
Michèle Hamel	Chiara Subrizi
Félix Andrés Jiménez	Hala Tarabay
Deli Ke Wang	Praveen Kumar VP

Macroeconomic Policy and Financial Markets

Melissa Abou Elias	Ignacio Martinez Urios
Virginia Cella Arriga	Gerard Collin Mitchell
Ahmed Amr Ahmed Choukri Elhakim	Jurriaan Hendricus Jozef Paans
Cristina Farras Pous	Paola Estefanía Pérez Medrano
Alessandro Franconi	Heather Jane Ruberl
Skander Garchi Casal	Kathryn Rose Ryan
Serkan Kocabas	Naim Saleh
Italo Fidel Lopez Guerrero	Anca-Corina Stoian
José Manuel Lozano Soto	Valdrin Tahiri
Cecilia Mariotti	Lara Felicia Sophie von Holst

What's next for the Class of 2017?

"I've decided to study in the United States. Right now, I'm most excited about applied microeconomics and econometrics, as well as behavioral economics, and I've applied to schools that I think will cater to my interests. I'm interested in pursuing projects that address real-world economic problems and have the potential for positive social impact. I'm happy to say that I've been accepted by Princeton University, and will likely be doing a PhD there."

Rachel Anderson, Economics

"All the amazing people I have met in Barcelona are welcome in Buenos Aires next year where I'll move to work for a 100% competition economics firm. I have many expectation regarding this future but I am sure that I have now all the necessary skill for it as I have been following a great and demanding course all through this year."

Amélie Brossard-Ruffey, Competition

"This year has been the most profitable one in all my student career. The intensity of the program has pulled out the best of me, bringing me tools, skills and knowledge that will be essential for my success. Here I met extraordinary people, intelligent and good-hearted with whom I lived and had great time. For now, I am working on a full time internship in Telefonica Alpha, applying my new skills in their research team in health, contributing to the development of world-changing products."

Roger Garriga, Data Science

"I loved my time here, this Master and Barcelona. It was an amazing experience. I also got married this year and learned so much in the intense study course and about life; Ana and I made the most of this opportunity. Our next stop is Australia, I will study an LLM at University of Melbourne to complete my profile in regulation and competition policy, and go surf of course."

Ernesto Cárdenas, Competition

"I have really enjoyed this year at BGSE. I was able to make very good friends, I learned how to professionally work in teams and developed my knowledge and passion for economics. I strongly believe that the BGSE passport will help me for my job as a Research Analyst in competition economics for the US company, The Brattle Group."

Emmanuelle Léa Pauline Derré, Economics

"I really liked this Master. It has been a great and challenging year. Thanks to this program I have received offers from different top universities to continue my studies. Hopefully, a long career as a researcher begins here."

Alberto García, Finance

"This has been the most enriching experience of my life, from personal and professional points of view. This Master has been challenging and inspiring. I will now enjoy a short break and start a Summer Internship at Charles River Associates by the end of July."

Natalia Losurdo, Competition

"I have accepted the offer to join the GPEFM program at UPF. My research interests lie in monetary policies and macroeconomic policies through which I can better understand the causes of the dire economic situations in Iran in the last decades, which have destroyed the lives of millions of people and which I hope we can prevent in the future."

Erfan Gbofrani, Economics

What's next for the Class of 2017?

"While this past year at the Barcelona GSE has been academically challenging, I really enjoyed studying in an international environment and making lasting friendships. Mid-July I will start my traineeship at the ESM, assisting the Policy Strategy and Institutional Relations team. I am looking forward to doing research about further euro area integration, regional financial arrangements and rating issues."

Michèle Hamel, ITFD

"This Master experience has been extremely intense and time has flown away. It looks like yesterday that I was studying Asset Pricing with my peers; I realize I have learned so much in such a short time and I have been surrounded by so many smart and knowledgeable people throughout all the year. I also can't wait to depart for my next adventure which will be in London for a specific Master in Investment Management at Cass Business School. Before that I might also work in Milan for a Swiss bank as an ECM analyst."

Roberto Stagni, Finance

"This Master's has been a wonderful experience, and I couldn't ask to share this experience with better people. After graduation, I will be moving to Kigali, Rwanda where I will join Laterite to undertake a research fellowship."

Michael Robert Keenan, ITFD

"I've been asked, career-wise, why a lawyer would decide to undertake a Master in Economics. Stepping out of one's comfort zone is not risk free, but the opportunity of growth is certainly rewarding. The Competition and Market Regulation Program was essential to complement my legal background with competition economics theory and tools. In the competitive market for jobs, this strategy has been proven valid, as I have been offered a summer program at a renowned law firm in Brussels and have been selected for the Blue Book Traineeship program at the European Commission, even not being European. I'm confident that anywhere I decide to go, economic analysis will always be useful ability for competition policy."

Andressa Lin Fidelis, Competition

"It feels as if I had just arrived a few weeks ago - in fact, one year has almost passed and I'm very grateful for this intense but truly enriching experience at BGSE. Now I'm looking forward to some exciting months of travelling and the start of my upcoming traineeship at KfW IPEX-Bank in Frankfurt. There, I'll work in the area of export and project finance."

Mark Roller, ITFD

"I accepted the offer to enter the GPEFM program at UPF, mainly because I was enticed by the Macroeconomics faculty members. Moreover, I really enjoy living in Barcelona. Currently, I would really like to study the macroeconomics of labor as well as the interaction between fiscal and monetary policies. However, I don't want to constrain myself too much, especially at the beginning of the PhD – I am not ruling out the possibility of working perhaps in applied microeconomics, such as public economics or studies on inequality dynamics."

Cristiano Mantovani, Economics

"This year was one of the best in my life. We were exposed to fascinating topics, and thanks to the Master in DS, we all gained the ability to conduct independent research on several areas, including Economics, Statistics and Computer Science. After working as RA this summer, next year, I will start my 5-years PhD in Economics at UC San Diego, with a joint supervision from the Econometric group and the Department of Mathematics. I will conduct my research with a strong focus on both methodological and data-driven questions."

Davide Viviano, Data Science

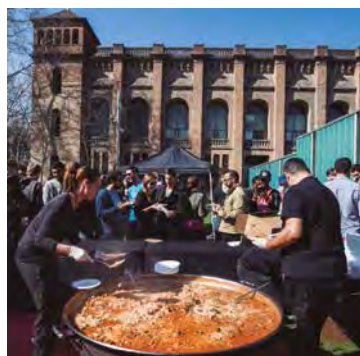
The master year in pictures



Welcome Day at Bellaterra Campus



Orientation at Ciutadella Campus (UPF)



2nd annual BGSE community futsal tourney and paella



BGSE 10th Anniversary Celebration



The master year in pictures

Barcelona GSE Lecture:

Michael Greenstone
University of Chicago



Barcelona GSE Lecture:

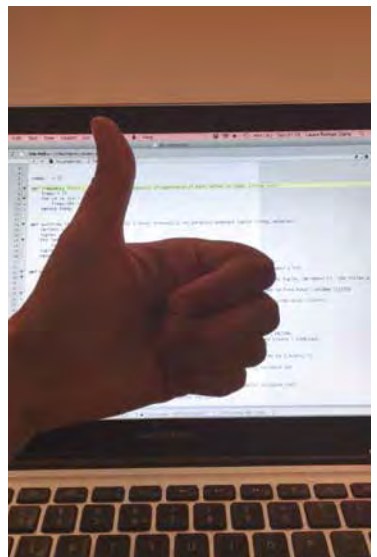
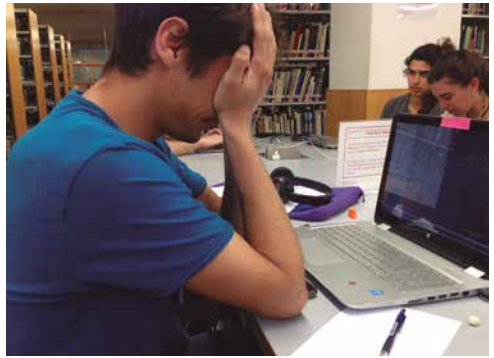
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Fideuà picnic at
Ciutadella Campus



an equilibrium:
 $(L_1, L_2) \dots$ forever
another equilibrium?
player i plays R_i in first stage and
in any t^{th} stage if outcome of first
 $t-1$ stage has been (R_1, R_2) otherwise
play L_i ($i \in \{1, 2\}$)



A typical day

Career Services for Barcelona GSE Alumni

The Barcelona GSE Career Services office is still dedicated to helping you advance your career even after you graduate. Here are just some of the services our team offers to support your career and help you achieve your evolving professional goals.

Online services

Barcelona GSE Career Center

This online portal offers exclusive job positions for Barcelona GSE alumni in fields related to the master programs.

Premium Access to VAULT

Free for alumni, this is a powerful tool for researching job opportunities, employers, industries and career paths.

Networking on LinkedIn

The Alumni and Friends group provides a closed space for discussions with fellow members.

Around the world

City visits

The team organizes informal meetings in different cities where alumni are based. This has proved very valuable for alumni networking and career advancement. Be sure to keep your contact information up-to-date so we can let you know when we are visiting your area.

Company visits

The Career Services team also regularly visit various companies abroad in order maximize job opportunities and build relationships for Barcelona GSE graduates.



Alumni get-together in New York



Dinner in Washington

On-campus resources

All of the services you had as a student at the Barcelona GSE are still available to you. This includes the recruitment talks, individual coaching sessions and group training sessions.

Our team will always be here for you, ready to use our contacts in different industries and our recruitment experience to help you with your next career step.

For access to the tools mentioned or to contact the Career Services team, please visit www.barcelonagse.eu/career-services

Fast facts about the BGSE alumni community

Employers hiring this year where BGSE alumni are already working (just to name a few):

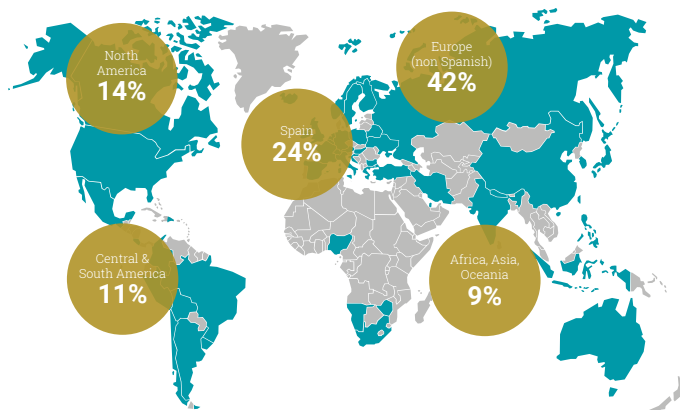
Accenture	European Central Bank	OECD
Banc Sabadell	European Investment Bank	Overseas Development Institute (ODI)
Bruegel	Frontier Economics	Oxford Economics
CaixaBank	Generali Investments	RBB Economics
Charles River Associates	Goldman Sachs	Telefónica
Daimler	J-PAL	The Brattle Group
Deloitte	KPMG	The World Bank

Starting a PhD? You will run into other recent BGSE graduates at top institutions such as:

Columbia University	London School of Economics	University of Mannheim
European University Institute	Princeton University	University of Minnesota
Harvard University	Stanford University	University of Zurich

Many alumni have also stayed in the BGSE community at UAB (IDEA) and UPF (GPEFM)

Our alumni community is present in many countries around the world. In addition to their academic credentials, Barcelona GSE alumni graduate with a close-knit network of classmates and professors. The master program is the foundation of a lifelong relationship with the Barcelona GSE.



Welcome to the BGSE Alumni Community!



Congratulations, Graduates!

You said it! After ten months of hard work and dedication, you've finally earned your Barcelona GSE degree. On behalf of the Barcelona GSE Alumni, we applaud you for reaching this important milestone.

As you now prepare to embark on the next phase of your life, know that it's not just you against the world: you are now one of around 2,000 alumni worldwide. To maintain your relationship with Barcelona GSE and your fellow alumni, we encourage you to participate in the alumni initiative. As an active member, you will be in the inner circle, doing your part to make our network stronger. To help you start, here are some easy ways to get involved:

Be Informed. Read the Barcelona GSE Voice, our blog supported by students, faculty, and alumni alike; follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram; and return to campus often. As alumni you act as ambassador for the institution, within your profession and to prospective students. Staying informed will help you in this role.

Stay Connected. Whether it's participating in a local group, supporting other alumni, or attending alumni events, you can easily join the alumni who work together to preserve the excellence of the Barcelona GSE.

The purpose of the alumni network is to foster interaction between alumni and to provide opportunities for alumni to strengthen their bond with the Barcelona GSE. I encourage you to take full advantage of the vast knowledge represented by the other alumni and the events sponsored and organized around the world.

If you have suggestions for alumni events in your area or ideas for improving communication, please let us know, contact the Alumni Office, or any member of the alumni initiative. Your suggestions are necessary to ensure the success of our network.

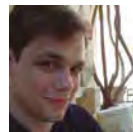
Again, we welcome you, congratulate you, and look forward to helping you maintain your relationship with other alumni and the Barcelona GSE.



Daniele Alimonti (EPP '16)
Research Assistant
Barcelona GSE



Ilaria Vigo (EPP '16)
Policy Analyst
Open Evidence



Thomas Karl Alfred Woiczuk (Economics '14)
PhD Candidate (GPEFM)
UPF and Barcelona GSE

Organizing Committee, BGSE Alumni Barcelona

Some of our recent alumni events...

Alumni Meeting 2017

Over 200 alumni from 28 countries participated in the 2017 Alumni Meeting in Barcelona. Attendance surpassed our goal of 10% of the worldwide alumni community, and there were graduates of every program and cohort represented!



Alumni get-togethers in the US



ALUMNI

BGSE Alumni get-togethers in the United States

Informal gatherings were organized by BGSE Alumni and Career Services in New York, San Francisco, and Washington DC. The first of many such get-togethers all over the globe!

Planning your own meetup with friends from the master?
Share your photos on Instagram with hashtag **#bgsealumni**

congratulations

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zorionak

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поздравления

поздоровления

честитки

مبارك باشد

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Share graduation now!
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