



## International Simulation Week

## Experiential Learning in Higher Education

Hosting Higher Education Institution:	San Jorge University
Institution website:	<a href="#">Internacional   Universidad San Jorge</a>
Country:	Spain
Language:	English
Dates:	Monday, 4 May, 2026 to Friday, 8 May 2026 + Saturday 9 May: a special large-scale simulation exercise of a terrorist attack (Optional).
Registration fee:	100 euros These fees include all cultural visits, all meals, and two dinners.
Maximum number of participants:	20
Deadline for applying:	1 <sup>st</sup> March 2026
Accommodation:	Accommodation not included. (You may choose to book your own accommodation or request access to our discounted hotel options during the enquiry stage.)
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## STAFF WEEK TOPIC

Innovation, training, networking, and internationalisation are the pillars of the International Simulation Week: Experiential Learning in Higher Education. This international week highlights the positive impact of simulation on student learning. Over the course of this week, the university campus transforms into a dynamic environment where theory connects with practice using active and experiential methodologies.

Simulation plays a key role in enhancing learning at San Jorge University, as it allows students to apply their knowledge in realistic, safe and controlled scenarios. Through the case method, students analyse real situations, make decisions, and reflect on the outcomes, developing essential skills such as critical thinking, problem-solving, and teamwork.

The program is supported by innovative and highly specialised simulation spaces, fully equipped with advanced technology that recreates professional contexts with a high degree of realism. These environments allow for practical experiences that closely mirror real-world challenges, strengthening students' confidence and competence.

Throughout the week, participants take part in interactive sessions, workshops, and practical simulations delivered by expert faculty and international professionals. This collaborative and interdisciplinary approach fosters creativity, innovation, and intercultural exchange, preparing students for the demands of a global academic and professional environment.

Ultimately, this unique experience reinforces the university's commitment to educational excellence, innovation, and student-centred learning, demonstrating how simulation enhances academic performance and helps bridge the gap between academic training and professional practice at San Jorge University.

## FOR WHOM?

This International Staff Week is especially aimed at university faculty and technical staff interested in learning about and deepening their understanding of simulation as a teaching methodology, as well as the design, management, and operation of simulation spaces in the university setting.

This experience offers faculty the opportunity to discover how simulation is implemented at San Jorge University, integrating it into the teaching and learning process via the case method, practical experiences, and innovative learning environments.

Likewise, our International Simulation Week is geared toward technical and administrative staff from facilities and university spaces, as well as any other professional profile interested in this field. It provides a space to examine the design, planning, and maintenance of highly specialized simulation facilities, as well as the technological support required for their proper functioning.

One of the main objectives is to promote the exchange of knowledge and best practices among institutions, fostering collaboration, mutual learning, and the creation of professional networks around simulation and educational innovation in higher education.



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## INTERESTED IN JOINING?

Please fill out and submit the FORM .

The deadline to apply is 1<sup>st</sup> March 2026. The maximum number of participants is 20. Participants will be selected based on their profile and expectations. Selection results will be announced by the end of March.

Please do not book flights or a hotel until you have received an acceptance email from us.

## ABOUT SAN JORGE UNIVERSITY

San Jorge University was founded in 2005 and is one of the five education centres comprising the San Valero Group, whose mission is to contribute to the sustainable development of society through comprehensive education that prepares individuals to face professional challenges aligned with the needs of their environment. San Jorge University offers personalized, innovative, and international training aimed at developing talent and enhancing employability. It is a global campus where experience, technology, and human values come together to shape individuals capable of transforming their surroundings.

USJ's distinctive educational model is based on innovation and experiential learning, where students learn by doing and face real-life situations that prepare them for the professional world from day one.

In addition, the university is characterised by its research, innovation, and knowledge transfer activities, which have a significant impact on the socioeconomic environment, as well as its strong commitment to student career development and employability.

## ABOUT ZARAGOZA

Zaragoza is a vibrant city in northeastern Spain where history, culture, and modern life blend perfectly. Located halfway between Madrid and Barcelona, it offers visitors an authentic Spanish experience.

The city is best known for the Basilica of Our Lady of the Pilar, an impressive baroque cathedral on the banks of the Ebro River and one of Spain's most important pilgrimage sites. But Zaragoza's history goes much further back: walk through Roman ruins, explore the stunning Aljafería Palace—a masterpiece of Islamic architecture—and wander charming historic neighbourhoods filled with local life.

Zaragoza is also a paradise for food lovers. From traditional Aragonese cuisine and tapas to innovative restaurants, the city is proud of its rich gastronomic scene. Pair that with local wines and a lively atmosphere, and every meal becomes an experience. What truly makes Zaragoza special is its warm, welcoming spirit where visitors can enjoy a relaxed pace while still feeling the energy of a modern European city.



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