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The University of Vigo is located in Vigo city, Galicia prefecture, North-West of Spain, facing the Atlantic Ocean (Figure 1). The University of Vigo is a public university which was created in 1989. Nowadays has 30.492 students and 42 degrees. Within those degrees, Sea Sciences degree, in the Faculty of Sciences of the University of Vigo (Figure 2), started its program on 1993.

Vigo University, together with three other Universities distributed along Spain, which are Cadiz University (Andalucia Prefecture), Las Palmas de Gran Canaria University (Canary Islands) and recently Alicante University (Valencia Prefecture), are the main points dedicated to the Sea Sciences study in Spain.

Sea Sciences degree was defined as a multidisciplinary degree, which comprises studies related to biology, mathematics, chemistry, physics, geology and law. The main objective of this degree is to provide the students a global and diversified vision of the sea as a richness source, promoting the maximum use of its resources, at the same time that prepare the students how to undertake situations of contamination disaster.

Specifically, in the University of Vigo, there are three degree orientations: living resources, marine environment and pollution, and non living resources. In the faculty of sciences of the University of Vigo several departments are carrying out at the moment diverse studies related to the Sea Sciences, as for example: fauna adaptation to intertidal environments, Atlantic and Antarctic benthonic zoology and ecology, neural system in fishes, genetics of fishes and marine mollusks, evolutionary radiation of fishes, littoral and fluvial marine sedimentology, coastal engineering, environmental impact and territory planning.

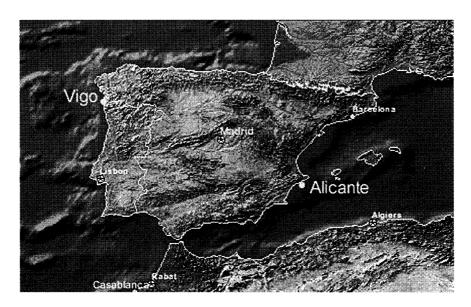


Figure 1: Vigo location

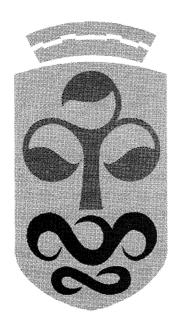




Figure 2: Faculty of Science, University of Vigo