



Local Language

Few companies / law firms in Spain recruit students without an advanced level of Spanish.

Work on your level of Spanish so that you can show to the companies that you can maintain conversations in this language, attend meetings, etc. Work on it from the beginning of your stay in Madrid:

- **Make the most out of your Spanish classes at IE**
- **Take the Spanish Business law track**

Use all the resources that we recommend on the “[Becoming a Law Professional Guide](#)” / Law firms - Applying & Recruitment Process section

Top law firms based in Spain (both Spanish firms and international firms), depending on their specific working needs **may do the exception** and hire students without a native level of Spanish. In this case scenarios, they may value other languages, past experiences, outstanding academic profile, ...).

Areas where you might find those exceptions usually are: IDR (International Dispute Resolution), Public International Law, Competition law, in-house positions for international companies.

Also, identify law firms that might have a **desk dedicated to clients from a specific country** for which you possess the language skills. For example, a **German desk** or a **French desk**

Keep in your radar the following companies which in the past have hired students with a non-native level of Spanish for legal roles

- Fotowatio Renewable Ventures, S.L. (FRV): <https://frv.com/en/>
- AXA – Compliance Department: <https://jobs.axa/careersection/1/moresearch.ftl>
- Fever – Summer Legal Intern: <https://careers.feverup.com/>
- Opdenenergy - Junior Corporate Lawyer: <https://www.opdenenergy.com/en/>
- Qualifyze GmbH – Legal Intern: <https://www.qualifyze.com/>
- Hotelbeds - Legal Advice Tech & Procurement Intern: <https://www.hotelbeds.com/home>

Check their websites and pay attention to any opportunities that may be published on our Career Portal / Career Opportunities Newsletter.

Additionally, identify international companies with business development interests in your home country, or home country companies with expansion interests in Spain.